

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Bram Wins First Prize

The Society of Professional Journalists, Connecticut Chapter, has awarded first prize in the radio commentaries category of its Ex-



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cellence in Journalism contest to WSHU radio in Fairfield for a commentary written and recorded by Jessica Bram, a Westport writer, writing teacher and public relations entrepreneur. Her award-winning commentary, "Ricardo," which aired in September 2005, was about the accidental death of a Quinnipiac University student from Westport.

Bram's radio commentaries are regularly heard on the NPR station WSHU. Her personal essays have been published and syndicated in publications including *The New York Times*, *Child Magazine*, *Woman's Journal*, and the Gannett Newspapers.

Bram's radio commentaries can be heard by clicking on "Commentaries" on www.jbram.com.

Bram, who specializes in memoir and nonfiction writing, offers writing workshops at the Westport Woman's Club. These are open to the public or anyone who is inspired to write. Information is available at www.jbram.com.

In addition to teaching writing as an adjunct instructor at Norwalk Community College, Bram has taught courses in memoir, essay and creative nonfiction at the Lifetime Learners Institute, Norwalk Community College's Extended Studies and Workforce Education program, and Westport Continuing Education.