



## Boston Globe's Jackie MacMullan Selected Second Visiting Journalist At UNH

Sports Columnist Discusses Covering Boston's Biggest Sports Moments at March 21 Lecture

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DURHAM, N.H. -- The *Boston Globe's* Jackie MacMullan was there in 1986 when the ball dribbled through Bill Buckner's legs at Shea Stadium and the World Series dreams of the Boston Red Sox were shattered -- again. She was there in 2004, when relief pitcher Keith Foulke flipped the ball to first base and clinched the first Red Sox World Series championship in 86 years. In each case, she had to chronicle one of the most riveting stories in New England sports history.

The Donald Murray Visiting Journalist Program at the University of New Hampshire welcomes MacMullan as its second visiting journalist March 20, 2006. As part of her week-long residency on campus, MacMullan, a sports columnist and associate editor of the *Boston Globe*, and a 1982 graduate of UNH's journalism program, will give a free, public talk, *Dynasties on Deadline*, at 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 21, in the Memorial Union Building, Theater II.

In addition to her work at the *Boston Globe*, MacMullan is a correspondent for WHDH-TV Channel 7 in Boston and New England Sports Network, and appears occasionally on the ESPN program "Around the Horn." From 1995 to 2000, she covered the NBA for *Sports Illustrated*.

MacMullan has covered events including the 1986 World Series, the 1987 Stanley Cup Finals and the 1988 Olympic Games, as well as numerous Final Four tournaments and NBA championships. She collaborated with Larry Bird on his biography *Bird Watching*, and with Connecticut women's basketball coach Geno Auriemma on *Geno: In Pursuit of Perfection*. Her reporting has taken her to Shanghai to examine Yao Ming's roots; to French Lick, Indiana, to determine what set Larry Bird apart; and to Seoul, South Korea, to explain why former sprinter Ben Johnson was faster than everyone else. She has won national writing awards from the Associated Press Sports Editors, including first place for investigative reporting in 1993 and feature writing in 1994.

A gift from The McLean Contributionship on behalf of *The Telegraph* of Nashua established an endowment for The Donald Murray Visiting Journalist Program. The program brings accomplished alumni journalists back to campus for week-long residencies to work with students and faculty, give guest lectures in journalism classes and consult with staff of the student newspaper, *The New Hampshire*. It is named in honor of Donald Murray, a Pulitzer Prize-winning writer who started the UNH journalism program in 1963. A columnist for the *Boston Globe*, Murray has written numerous books on writing and teaching writing, as well as poetry, novels and memoirs.

