

RECORDED BOOKS **PRESS RELEASE**

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RECORDED BOOKS WINS AUDIOFILE *AUDIES*® AWARDS

Prince Frederick, MD, June 25, 2007—Recorded Books, the world’s premiere publisher of unabridged audiobooks since 1979 and a Hights Cross Communications company, has won three 2007 *Audies*® awards from The Audio Publishers Association (APA).

The APA recently brought together industry, entertainment, and political dignitaries at New York City’s Rockefeller Center’s Rainbow Room to announce the winners of the 2007 *Audies*. This important annual audio publishing industry awards ceremony—often called the Oscars of the audiobook industry -- honors the best titles of the year across a number of genres. The *Audies* are the only completely juried awards program covering audiobooks and spoken word entertainment.

This year’s Recorded Books *Audies* winners are:

Stolen Child – Science Fiction -- author, Keith Donohue, read by Andy Paris and Jeff Woodman, directed by Jeff Baron, Recorded Books.

Rise and Shine – Unabridged Fiction – author, Anna Quindlen, read by Carol Monda, directed by Rob Grannis, Recorded Books.

Listening for Lions – Children’s Titles 8-11 – author, Gloria Whelan, read by Bianca Amato, directed by Jennifer Nicks, Recorded Books.

In all, 11 Recorded Books audiobooks were finalists in 10 *Audies* award categories.

David Berset, Recorded Books President and CEO, said: “Recorded Books congratulates the authors, readers, directors, and production staffs who produced these superb audiobooks. The *Audies* recognize the year’s ‘best of the best’ in what has become a fiercely competitive and fast-growing industry. These awards confirm our team’s deep commitment to excellence in our profession and industry.”

In addition to the three *Audies* winners, the Recorded Books *Audies* finalists also included **Ark Angel**, by Anthony Horowitz, read by Simon Prebble; **Grace at Low Tide** by Beth Webb Hart, read by Kate Forbes; **The Preacher's Daughter**, by Beverly Lewis, read by Stina Nielsen; **All the King's Men**, by Robert Penn Warren, read by Michael Emerson; **Definitely Dead**, by Charlaine Harris, read by Johanna Parker; **Team of Rivals**, by Doris Kearns Goodwin, read by Suzanne Toren; **Fundamental Cases: 20th Century Courtroom Battles That Changed Our Nation**, by Alan Dershowitz, read by Alan Dershowitz; and **La Cena Secreta**, by Javier Sierra, read by Francisco Rivela.

About Recorded Books:

Recorded Books, a Hights Cross Communications company, produces and distributes unabridged audiobooks and other audio products to public and university libraries and schools, in cassette, CD, and downloadable formats. Over 7,000 titles are available for adults, children, and young adults in English and Spanish languages narrated by professional, award-winning actors. Recorded Books also distributes music, educational lectures, independent films, and nonfiction films on DVD. Packaging is designed for high circulation. One-year warranty, cataloging, processing, and free marc records are available. For more information, visit www.recordedbooks.com.

About Hights Cross Communications:

Founded in 1997 and based in White Plains, NY, Hights Cross is a leading developer and publisher of products for the kindergarten through twelfth grade, or K-12, supplemental education, library, and medical education markets. Hights Cross imprints include: Sundance/Newbridge Educational Publishing (Northborough, MA), Triumph Learning (New York, NY), Buckle Down Publishing (Iowa City, IA), Options Publishing (Merrimack, NH), Recorded Books (Prince Frederick, MD), and Oakstone Publishing (Birmingham, AL). For more information, visit www.hightscross.com.

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