

## Amy Goodman'75

Amy Goodman is a syndicated columnist, author and the host and executive producer of Democracy Now!, a national, daily, independent, award-winning news program airing on over 700 radio and television stations in North America. Established in 1996, Democracy Now specializes in highlighting news uncovered or under covered by the major media outlets. Time Magazine named Democracy Now! its "Pick of the Podcasts," along with NBC's Meet the Press.

Goodman is also the co-author with her brother, journalist David Goodman, of three New York Times bestsellers: *Standing Up to the Madness: Ordinary Heroes in Extraordinary Times* (2008), *Static: Government Liars, Media Cheerleaders, and the People Who Fight Back* (2006) and *The Exception to the Rulers: Exposing Oily Politicians, War Profiteers, and the Media That Love Them* (2004).

In 2006 Goodman was awarded the Puffin Nation Prize for Creative Citizenship. She writes a weekly column (also produced as an audio podcast) for which she was recognized in 2007 with the James Aronson Award for Social Justice Reporting.

Goodman was honored with a 2007 Gracie Award by American Women in Radio and Television. The Paley Center for Media, which "celebrates the achievements and preserves the legacy of great women writers, directors, journalists, sportscasters, and executives", named her a 2007 honoree for "*She Made It: Women Making Radio and Television*".

Her daily reporting and groundbreaking work from Nigeria and East Timor has won numerous awards, including the prestigious George Polk Award, the Robert F. Kennedy Prize for International Reporting, and the Alfred I. DuPont-Columbia Award. While researching her East Timor story in

**1991, she survived a massacre in which Indonesian soldiers shot 270 Timorese. Her reporting led to additional awards from the Associated Press, United Press International, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, and Project Censored.**

**In 2008 Ms. Goodman received international recognition when she was awarded the Right Livelihood Award, also known as the "Alternative Nobel" by the Swedish Parliament "for developing an innovative model of truly independent political journalism." They praised Democracy Now as "the fastest growing independent news program in the USA."**

**Amy is a 1984 Harvard graduate.**