

About The Authentic Voice

The Authentic Voice: The Best Reporting on Race and Ethnicity is a multimedia teaching tool that includes a book, DVD and a Web site. The project is based on a collection of award-winning stories from the "Let's Do It Better!" Workshop on Journalism, Race and Ethnicity at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

The textbook and DVD contain a series of case studies based on 15 news stories that have already been published or broadcast -- seven television and eight newspaper stories. *The Authentic Voice* is published by Columbia University Press. The project is funded through a grant by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.



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Each story has received an award from the journalism school's "Let's Do It Better!" Workshop, a Ford Foundation program that recognizes excellence in reporting on race and ethnicity throughout the news industry. The program is now in its eighth year at the school.

Ted Koppel, former anchor of *Nightline*, Bob Simon of *60 Minutes*, *New York Times* reporter Mirta Ojito, and Anne Hull of *The Washington Post* are among the accomplished journalists included in this project. They discuss the evolution of their stories, the challenges, their mistakes, ethical issues and all of the work that goes into quality reporting, with particular focus on the issues that can arise when a story involves race and/or ethnicity.

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