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## **Writers Notes Magazine Announces 2005 Award Winners**

*Writers Notes Magazine announces winners of its annual international writing awards.*

**Writers Notes Magazine**, the international literary publication of stories, essays, interviews, and visual arts, announces the 2005 writing award winners.

First place winner, Jenny Lentz, led the competition for her humorous sketch of a morally shallow young man in *Fortunes and Faithlessness*.

*"You don't sleep with rich girls until you marry them, or at least not until they've promised to marry you. It's too risky. Sex brings so many complications to everything, especially when you run the risk that her Catholic father will walk in on the two of you, which is exactly what happened. ..."* from *Fortunes and Faithlessness*.



First runner-up went to Mary Ellen Garcia for *The Final Chapter*, a timeless depiction of a woman defining space in long marriage.

*"She ate her dinner in the company of CNN and Larry King. It occurred to her that absolutely no one in the entire world except the reservations clerk with the sweeping eyelashes knew where she was. What if she were to choke on her dinner like Harold Simpson, who through no fault of his own had choked at the church dinner and had to have the Heimlich maneuver in order to breathe again? ..."* from *The Final Chapter*.

**Writers Notes Magazine** is enjoying a fruitful period of expansion. In addition to the writing awards, *WNM* issue #4 features an exclusive interview with author William Styron (*Sophie's Choice*, *Confessions of Nat Turner*) and an essay by cult classic author Robert Gover (*Time and Money*, *One Hundred Dollar Misunderstanding*).

"*Writers Notes* is committed to bringing new voices to the public," says Senior Editor Christopher Klim, who is the author of just-released satirical novel, ***The Winners Circle***, which was dubbed "clever and funny" by *Publishers Weekly*.

**Writers Notes Magazine** Issue #4 will be available in October 2005.

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