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Bob Meyers joined the National Press Foundation in 1993 and became president in 1995. It is one of the oldest professional journalism development organizations in the world. Under his leadership NPF’s educational programs for print and broadcast journalists have been conducted in Washington, D.C., as well as San Francisco, Los Angeles, Boston, New York, San Juan, P.R. Internationally NPF has conducted workshops in Beijing and Chengdu, China. NPF has collaborated with the National Cancer Institute, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of California San Diego. NPF has organized 3-day programs prior to the start of International AIDS Conferences meetings in Toronto (2006), Barcelona (2002) and Bangkok (2004).

Prior to joining the foundation Meyers was Director of the Harvard Journalism Fellowship for Advanced Studies in Public Health (1989 –1993) and Managing Director of the Center for Health Communication at the Harvard School of Public Health. He is a former reporter for *The Washington Post*, the former Specialist Editor at *The San Diego Union*, and the author of two books. The first, "Like Normal People" (1978), is the story of his mentally retarded younger brother and his efforts to achieve a more normal life, set against the background of worldwide changes in the field; the book became an ABC-TV "Movie of the Week" (1979). His second book was "DES: The Bitter Pill" (1981), the story of a widely used anti-miscarriage drug that didn't work and became a legal, social and pharmacological phenomenon.

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Li is an author of many books, whose recent books (including co-authored): *A Manual for Human Rights Reporting*, *15 Lectures on Being a Government Spokesman* (2006), *Journalism in Transition* (2005), *The Soft Power and Global Communication* (2005), *The HIV/AIDS Media Book* (2005), and *The Deformed Press* (2004). Prof. Li has received a number of awards in education including Beijing Best Teacher (2006), Special Award for Outstanding Contribution to Higher Education by the State Council (2004), China's Top 10 Educators (2004), The National Best University Course (awarded by the Ministry of Education, 2004), Top 10 New Academicians (awarded by Tsinghua University, 2003), Best Teachers of the Year (awarded by Tsinghua University, 2002), Best Teacher and Good Friend (awarded by Tsinghua Graduate Students Union, 2001). Li Xiguang was a Alfred Friendly Press Fellow with the *Washington Post* in 1995, and a fellow with the Shorenstein Center for Press, Politics and Public Policy of Harvard University in 1999. He worked as a science writer, editor, senior editor and director of the political desk of Xinhua News Agency for 11 years before he joined Tsinghua University.

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In 2004, Geewax earned a master's degree at Georgetown University. During 1994-1995, she studied economics and international relations at Harvard as a Nieman Fellow. She earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from The Ohio State University. Geewax taught a business journalism class from 2001-2006 as an adjunct professor at George Washington University.



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Before joining the Seattle Times in 2004, she spent nearly five years at the San Jose Mercury News, where she was a business reporter and later the paper's Seattle bureau chief. Before this she worked as a staff writer at the Asian Wall Street Journal in Hong Kong, where she wrote about consumer affairs and management. A California native, she holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from California State University Fullerton and a master's degree in international studies with a focus on China from the University of Washington. She is fluent in Mandarin Chinese.



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Neil earned a master's degree in journalism from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University in Chicago, and a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Columbia University in New York. He was part of the Journal team that won a Pulitzer Prize for its coverage of Sept. 11. While a student in N.Y. he supported himself as a Manhattan cab driver, one of many pre-journalism jobs that also included work as a private investigator and a picker of grapes in the south of France. He was born and grew up in Boulder, Colorado, and is married to a Journal reporter who covers Congress and politics. They have two young daughters.



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