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## **Jennifer Walker Named Editor of the Year by the Professional Writers Association Of Canada**

Jennifer Walker, Senior Content Editor of *Best Health* magazine, was named Editor of the Year by the Professional Writers Association of Canada on Friday, June 5, 2009.

The award recognizes Ms. Walker's outstanding editorial work during the 2008 calendar year. She was presented with a plaque and gift during the Writers' Industry Awards Luncheon at the MagNet magazine conference in Toronto. Ian Johnson, Senior Producer for CBCNews.ca and Diana Swift, Editor of *Canadian Health*, both received Honourable Mentions for their work.

"It is a pleasure to be able to honour and acknowledge the special relationship that exists between the best editors and writers," said PWAC Executive Director David Johnston. "Without the talent and commitment of the editors in our industry, Canadian writers would not be able to shine the way they do."

This is the second year that PWAC has presented the Editor of the Year Award. The award brings national recognition and praise to outstanding editorial professionals. Written nominations are submitted by PWAC members and a panel of three member judges evaluate the nominees based on criteria that include editing and communications skills, the ability to bring out the best in writers, and fairness of pay rates and contracts.

*PWAC, established in 1976, is the national organization representing over 600 freelance writers and journalists in Canada.*

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