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Among her other books, *You're Wearing THAT?: Understanding Mothers and Daughters in Conversation*, spent ten weeks on the *New York Times* best seller list; *Talking from 9 to 5: Women and Men at Work* was a *New York Times* Business best seller; *The Argument Culture: Stopping America's War of Words*, received the Common Ground Book Award; and *I Only Say This Because I Love You: Talking to Your Parents, Partner, Sibs, and Kids When You're All Adults* received a Books for a Better Life Award.

Deborah Tannen is a frequent guest on television and radio news and information shows, including *The Colbert Report*, *20/20*, *Good Morning America*, *The Today Show*, *The Rachael Ray Talk Show*, *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*, *Charlie Rose*, *Oprah*, *Hardball*, *Nightline*, many shows on CNN and NPR including *Morning Edition*, *All Things Considered*, *The Diane Rehm Show*, and *Fresh Air*. She has been featured in and written for most major newspapers and magazines, including *The New York Times*, *Newsweek*, *Time*, *USA Today*, *People*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Harvard Business Review*.

Deborah Tannen is one of only two in Georgetown University's College of Arts and Sciences who hold the distinguished rank of University Professor. She has been McGraw Distinguished Lecturer at Princeton University and was a fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences in Stanford, California, following a term in residence at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey. The recipient of five honorary doctorates, she is a member of the PEN/Faulkner Foundation Board of Directors.

In addition to her writing for general audiences, Tannen is author or editor of many books and over one hundred articles for scholarly audiences. She has also published poems, short stories, and personal essays. Her first play, "An Act of Devotion," is included in *The Best American Short Plays 1993-1994*. It was produced, together with her play "Sisters," by Horizons Theatre in Arlington, Virginia.

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