



### **Bob Costas**

One of television's most accomplished broadcasters, Bob Costas, who joined HBO Sports in February 2001, is the host of "Costas Now," a hard-hitting, thoughtful and topical sports series. The program introduced a live town hall setting in 2008 and it has been embraced by viewers and the press.

During his first four years at HBO, Costas hosted "On The Record With Bob Costas," which established itself as one of network television's most respected programs for its compelling mix of interviews, commentary and opinion.

In May of 2006, Costas was presented with the Sports Emmy for "Outstanding Studio Host," marking the fifth straight year that he had received that honor from the National Academy of Arts & Sciences. The award recognized his work on both HBO and NBC Sports.

In addition, "Costas Now" was awarded the 2006 Sports Emmy for "Outstanding Edited Sports Special" for the compelling journey of David Robinson, the son of sports pioneer Jackie Robinson, who has built a life and a business cooperative in Tanzania.

In September 2002, Costas and former all-time NFL great Cris Carter joined Cris Collinsworth and Dan Marino as co-hosts of HBO's award-winning football program "INSIDE THE NFL." The program received the Sports Emmy Award three times (in 2003, 2005 and 2006) for "Outstanding Studio Show - Weekly" during the foursome's six-year run on the show.

Costas, a 28-year veteran of NBC Sports, joined the network's sports division in 1980. Since then, he has hosted eight Olympics and been prominently involved in virtually every major sports event, including numerous World Series, Super Bowl and NBA Finals broadcasts. He recently completed a critically acclaimed run as prime time host of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games from Beijing.

He is the host of NBC's Sunday evening NFL program, "Football Night in America." Costas also hosts a weekly national radio program distributed by Premiere Radio Networks called "Costas on the Radio."

From August 1988 through January 1994, he hosted his own late-night interview show, "Later with Bob Costas," on NBC; the program won the 1993 Emmy Award(r) for Outstanding Informational Series. He has also received 15 Sports Emmys(r) as a broadcaster and two Sports Emmys(r) for writing and another as host of the general interest program "Later with Bob Costas" on NBC. His book "Fair Ball: A Fan's Case for Baseball," published in the spring of 2000 spent several weeks on The New York Times bestseller list, garnering excellent reviews. He also was the narrator for the books and audio package "And the Crowd Goes Wild" and "The Fans Roared," both of which made The New York Times bestseller list. Costas has been honored as Sportscaster of the year by the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association a record eight times.