

## RAY SUAREZ

Ray Suarez joined *The NewsHour* in October 1999 as a Washington-based senior correspondent responsible for conducting newsmaker interviews, studio discussion and debates, reporting from the field and serving as a backup anchor.

Suarez has more than 25 years of varied experience in the news business. He came to *The NewsHour* from National Public Radio where he had been host of the nationwide, call-in news program *Talk of the Nation* since 1993.

Suarez wrote *The Old Neighborhood: What We Lost in the Great Suburban Migration* (Free Press), and has contributed to several other books, including *Brooklyn* (Workman, 2001), *Saving America's Treasures* (National Geographic, 2000), *Las Christmas: Favorite Latino Authors Share Their Holiday Memories* (Knopf, 1998), and *About Men* (Poseidon, 1986). His essays and criticism have been published in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Chicago Tribune*, and *The Baltimore Sun*.

Suarez was also a Los Angeles correspondent for CNN, a producer for the ABC Radio Network in New York, a reporter for CBS Radio in Rome, and a reporter for various American and British news services in London. Over the years he has narrated, anchored or reported many special programs and documentaries for public radio and television including a weekly series, *Follow the Money* (PBS), and *The Execution Tapes* (2001, Public Radio), *Through Our Own Eyes* (2000, KQED), *Take This Heart* (1998, KCTS), *State of the Union* (1997, Wisconsin Public Television), *Of Hopes and Fears* (1995, WTTW), and *Growing Up Scared* (1994, WTTW).

Suarez shared in NPR's 1993-94 and 1994-95 duPont-Columbia Silver Baton Awards for on-site coverage of the first all-race elections in South Africa and the first 100 days of the 104th Congress, respectively. He has been honored with the 1996 Ruben Salazar Award from the National Council of La Raza, *Current History Magazine's* 1995 Global Awareness Award, and a Chicago Emmy Award.

Suarez holds a B.A. in African History from New York University and an M.A. in the Social Sciences from the University of Chicago, where he studied urban affairs. He was awarded honorary doctorates by Westminster College (Utah), and St. John's University (Minn.) and Manhattan Marymount College (N.Y.) in 2003.