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Acanthus Publishing Title Named Bronze-Medal Winner in Independent Book Publisher Award

Boston, Mass. May 29, 2007—Acanthus Publishing, a Boston-based independent book publisher, has just been named as a bronze-medal winner for their new book *How Children Become Violent: Keeping Your Kids Out of Gangs, Terrorist Organizations, and Cults*. This recently released book by psychologist Dr. Kathryn Seifert joined other highly celebrated publishers, including Yale University Press, McSweeney's, and Chicago Review Press at the Independent Book Publisher's 11th annual book awards.

The Independent Publisher Book Awards are a broad-based, unaffiliated awards program open to all members of the independent publishing industry. The awards are intended to bring increased recognition to the thousands of exemplary independent, university, and self-published titles produced each year, and reward those who exhibit the courage, innovation, and creativity to bring about change in the world of publishing.

"I am absolutely thrilled and honored that one of our titles has been selected," says Paige Stover Hague, president and founder of Acanthus Publishing. "*How Children Become Violent* is a groundbreaking addition to the Acanthus library and Dr. Seifert's research and plans for the prevention of future horrific acts of violence couldn't come at a better time."

For Acanthus Publishing, which has only been in business since 2004, *How Children Become Violent* is the first title written within the Psychology and Mental Health category. Other recently released books include *Heart and Mind Selling: The New Secret to Closing the Sale and Winning the Customer for Life* by retail selling expert Sam Allman, *Own Your Business, Own Your Life* by entrepreneur and franchise expert Phil Wilkins, and *Closing the Distance: Chasing a Father's Olympic Fencing Legacy* by the US Olympic Fencing Team captain Jeff Bukantz.

"Our authors bring such diverse perspectives and content that each new book project is an adventure," says chief editor Carolyn McKibbin. "When choosing our new endeavors, we aim to create books that help the reader enrich his or her life or improve social awareness. Dr. Seifert's title embodies this philosophy and we are elated that the publishing community thinks this book is as important as we do."

For more information about Acanthus Publishing please visit their website at www.AcanthusPublishing.com and look for them and their new titles at the American Book Expo in New York the first weekend in June.

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