

In this edition of our newsletter, we have news about an award nomination for two of our authors, XML Press at upcoming conferences, and the Kindle edition of [Managing Writers](#).

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## Anne Gentle and Alan Porter Nominated for Social Media Awards

Anne Gentle, author of [Conversation and Community: The Social Web for Documentation](#), and Alan J. Porter, author of the forthcoming [WIKI: Grow Your Own for Fun and Profit](#), have been nominated for recognition in the second annual Statesman Texas Social Media Awards. These awards, which recognize the top 25 Texans using Social Media, will be presented at a banquet in March in Austin.

Congratulations to Anne and Alan for their nominations; both are leaders in social media. Selection of winners is partially based on comments from the community. You can post a comment at the links below:

- [Anne Gentle \(http://www.statesman.com/news/content/standing/awardcomments.html?NomID=209\)](http://www.statesman.com/news/content/standing/awardcomments.html?NomID=209)
- [Alan J. Porter \(http://www.statesman.com/news/content/standing/awardcomments.html?NomID=442\)](http://www.statesman.com/news/content/standing/awardcomments.html?NomID=442)

## XML Press at WritersUA and STC

XML Press Publisher, Richard L. Hamilton, will present two talks at [The Conference for Software User Assistance](#), which is being held this year in Seattle, Washington from March 21-24. His talks are titled: "The Benefits and Drawbacks of Using XML for Book Publication," and "A Look at DocBook 5.0 and Comparisons with DITA." XML Press will have books available for sale and will also offer copies as door prizes. Early bird registration closes on February 13

XML Press authors Anne Gentle, Brenda Huettner, and Alan J. Porter will all be speaking at the [Society for Technical Communication Summit](#), which is being held this year in Dallas, Texas from May 2-5. The conference bookstore will have copies of XML Press books for sale. Early bird registration closes on March 15.

## Kindle Edition of Managing Writers

The Kindle edition of [Managing Writers](#) is now available at [Amazon.com](#). This top-selling book has received uniformly positive reviews, and in addition to achieving strong sales with writers and managers, is now being used by several universities as their text for courses in managing technical communication projects.

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