

Former Madison Square Garden President Bob Gutkowski Reveals The True Behind-the-Scenes Stories in New Book Gut Punch



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New York City, New York Sep 5, 2025 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Step inside the most electrifying moments in New York sports history with **Bob Gutkowski**, former president of Madison Square Garden, in his gripping new memoir ***Gut Punch***. Chronicling his journey from a humble NBC page to the helm of the world's most famous arena, Gutkowski delivers an insider's perspective on the dramatic events that

defined the city's sports and entertainment scene.

“As a boy growing up in New York City, I was thrilled each year as my father took me to Madison Square Garden for the Ringling Brothers Circus. I will never forget the sound and excitement of being in that sports and entertainment cathedral. Becoming president of that hallowed hall was truly the pinnacle of my successful career and it re-enforced my belief when I said... ‘every New Yorker believes they own a piece of the Garden.’”

— *Bob Gutkowski*

In *Gut Punch*, readers will relive the New York Rangers' triumphant 1994 Stanley Cup victory, the Knicks' nail-biting NBA Finals run that same year, and the evolution of sports broadcasting — from ABC's *Wide World of Sports* to the creation of ESPN and the YES Network, which cemented the Yankees' 1990s dynasty. Along the way, Gutkowski introduces the legendary figures who shaped these moments: George Steinbrenner, Pat Riley, Mike Keenan, Mark Messier, Barbra Streisand, Donald Trump, and renowned rock promoter Ron Delsener.

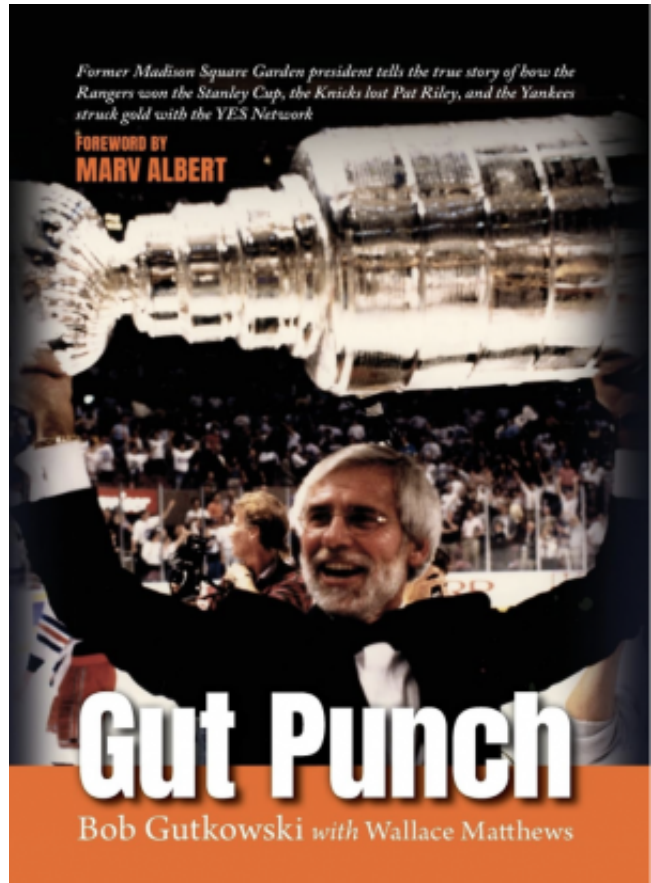
Bob Gutkowski's illustrious career spans leadership roles at MSG Network, where he brokered a landmark \$486 million deal to air Yankees games on cable, to executive positions at ESPN and Paramount Television. His co-author, **Wallace Matthews**, is an APSE award-winning sports columnist and television commentator, inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 2024.

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