

Tom Hope Memorial Media Scholar Program

Tom Hope Media Scholars Are Honored

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Seven Rochester area college students have been named 2022 Tom Hope Memorial Media Scholars by the Rochester Association for Film Arts and Sciences (RAFAS). The awards, named in honor of long time Rochester media icon Tom Hope, recognize excellence in film and media production.

St. John Fisher Media Scholar in Residence Tom Proietti was the keynote speaker at the Award Ceremony held at the Irondequoit Conference Center at I-Square.

Proietti presented awards to:

- Ari Carlo from Monroe Community College
- Cameron Fernandez from St. John Fisher College
- Ben Johnson from Roberts Wesleyan College
- Rocio Ruiz from SUNY Geneseo
- Nicolina Scibona from SUNY Brockport
- Olivia Wilson-Luffman from Rochester Institute of Technology
- Bradley Martin from the University of Rochester

Each year faculty at Rochester area colleges nominate their top media arts student. A panel of Rochester area media professionals meets with nominees, reviews samples of their media productions, and selects students to become Tom Hope Memorial Media Scholars. Scholars receive a stipend and mentoring opportunities to help advance their media careers.

The program is named in honor of the late Tom Hope. During his 60-year career in media, Hope served as photo officer/combat photographer in the Battle of the Bulge, originator of the Lone Ranger television series for General Mills, filmmaker liaison at Eastman Kodak, and President of his own company, Hope Reports. He also mentored countless aspiring media professionals.

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