

**Winners in the 2019 Virginias AP Broadcasters Contest:****TVI/LARGE MARKET:**

**Best Spot News: First**, Mark Kurtz, WAVY-TV, Hampton Roads, VA, "Virginia Beach Mass Shooting"; **Second**, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA, "Henrico Active Shooter Hoax."

**Best Continuing News: First**, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA, "Capitol in Crisis"; **Second**, WSLS-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Missing Marine Manhunt."

**Outstanding Sports Operation of the Virginias: First**, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA; **Second**, John Appicello, Eric Johnson and Brooke Leonard, WSLS-TV, Roanoke, VA.

**Best Documentary or In-Depth: First**, Janet Roach and Stephen Wozny, WVEC-TV, Norfolk, VA, "Looking for Happiness"; **Second**, Jennifer Abney, Rob Macko and Steven Shaw, WOWK-TV, Charleston, WV, "Veterans Voices."

**Best Light Feature: First**, Jason Marks, WAVY-TV, Hampton Roads, VA, "Captain Dan"; **Second**, Taylor Eaton, WSAZ-TV, Charleston, WV, "Endless Fuel."

**Best Serious Feature: First**, John Carlin and Paul Eldert, WSLS-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Project Ezekiel"; **Second**, Leslie Rubin, WCHS-TV, Charleston, WV, "Where is Hoover?"

**Best Sports Feature: First**, Nathan Epstein, WAVY-TV, Hampton Roads, VA, "Balluzzo's Bounty, Bryce's Battle."

**Best Video Journalist/One Man Band: First**, Leanna Scachetti, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA; **Second**, Karina Bolster, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA, "The Legacy They Leave Behind."

**Best Reporter: First**, Brent Solomon, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA; **Second**, Diane Walker, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA.

**Best Specialty Reporting: First**, Tim Saunders, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Transportation"; **Second**, Dan Kennedy and Nehemiah Bell, WVEC-TV, Norfolk, VA, "In Session."

**Best Spot News Photography: First**, Brandon Graves and Adriana De Alba, WVEC-TV, Norfolk, VA, "Colors in a Hurricane"; **Second**, Brion Humphrey, WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA, "Triple Homicide."

  

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**Best Feature Photography: First**, Stephen Wozny and Janet Roach, WVEC-TV, Norfolk, VA, "400 Years Later"; **Second**, Danner Evans and Tony Day, WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA, "Reel Danger?"

**Best Multimedia/Online Journalism: First**, Karina Bolster, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA, "Driver Dies in Double Tractor-Trailer Crash"; **Second**, Leanna Scachetti and Ben Riquelmy, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA, "The Final Salute: Honoring the Heroes of D-Day."

**Best Investigative Reporting: First**, Evan Watson and Stephen Wozny, WVEC-TV, Norfolk, VA, "Out of Service"; **Second**, Siobhan McGirl, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA, "We Can't Get Anybody to Call Us Back - Tracking a Governor's Tax Debt."

**Best Website: First**, WCHS-TV, Charleston, WV; **Second**, WOWK-TV, Charleston, WV.

**Best News Promo: First**, WSLS-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Missing Marine Proof of Performance"; **Second**, Erik Candiani and Rob Edmonds, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA, "Pet Burials."

**Best Station Promo: First**, Erik Candiani and Terrell Thompson, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA, "Forecast of Fear"; **Second**, Joany D'Agostino and Jesse Stevens, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Experience Is Earned (One Storm at a Time)."

**Best Newscast: First**, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA, "Prince George Deadly Bus Crash"; **Second**, WSLS-TV, Roanoke, VA.

**Best Weathercast: First**, WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA; **Second**, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA, "First Alert Weather."

**Best Weathercaster: First**, Spencer Adkins, WOWK-TV, Charleston, WV; **Second**, Brandon Butcher, WSAZ-TV, Charleston, WV.

**Best TV News Anchor: First**, Jean Jadhon, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA; **Second**, Mark Spain, WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA.

**Best TV Sports Anchor: First**, Scott Cash, WVEC-TV, Norfolk, VA; **Second**, Dennis Carter, WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA.

**Best Producer: First**, Colten Weekley, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA; **Second**, Kyle Gibson, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA.

**Best Team News Coverage: First**, WSLS-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Michael Brown Manhunt"; **Second**, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA, "Deadly Prince George Bus Crash."

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**Best Old Dominion Heritage: First**, Joe Dashiell, WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, VA, "Letters to Neil Armstrong"; **Second**, Noreen Turyn and Tony Day, WSET-TV, Lynchburg, VA, "Green Book."

**Best Mountain State Heritage: First**, Brad Rice, WCHS-TV, Charleston, WV, "Traveling West Virginia."

**Douglas Southall Freeman Award: First**, Jenna Zibton and Howard Swank, WSLs-TV, Roanoke, VA, "30 Days of Hope"; **Second**, Chad Hedrick, WSAZ-TV, Charleston, WV, "AED Awareness."

**Outstanding News Operation of the Virginias: First**, WRIC-TV, Richmond, VA; **Second**, Frank Jones, WWBT-TV, Richmond, VA.

#### **TVII/SMALL MARKET:**

**Best Spot News: First**, WCYB-TV, Bristol, VA, "Dale Junior Plane Crash"; **Second**, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Bus Crash Closes I-64."

**Best Continuing News: First**, WCYB-TV, Bristol, VA, "Remembering Sgt. Hinkle"; **Second**, WHSV-TV, Harrisonburg, VA, "Harrisonburg Apartment Fire."

**Outstanding Sports Operation of the Virginias: First**, Damon Dillman, Preston Willett and Danielle Stein, WCAV-TV, Charlottesville, VA; **Second**, TJ Eck and Alex Flum, WHSV-TV, Harrisonburg, VA.

**Best Documentary or In-Depth: First**, Sharon Gregory and Patrick Huddleston, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Out of the Darkness"; **Second**, Aubrey Urbanowicz, WHSV-TV, Harrisonburg, VA, "Hurricane Camille: A Look Back 50 Years After the Destruction."

**Best Light Feature: First**, Matt Talhelm, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Paul Koors Band"; **Second**, Matt Talhelm and Sam King, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "The Hills Are Alive at Wintergreen."

**Best Serious Feature: First**, Matt Talhelm and Patrick Huddleston, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Catholic Church Integration Impacts Linger in Charlottesville"; **Second**, Larry Marrs, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Dalton Harper."

**Best Sports Feature: First**, Larry Marrs, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Kaimyn Anderson"; **Second**, Heather Williams, WCYB-TV, Bristol, VA, "Saving Lonesome Pine."

**Best Video Journalist/One Man Band: First**, John Hood, WHSV-TV, Harrisonburg, VA; **Second**, Darnell Myrick, WCAV-TV, Charlottesville, VA.

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**Best Reporter: First**, Josh Croup, WDTV-TV, Bridgeport, WV; **Second**, Carly Kempler, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Deficient Bridges."

**Best Specialty Reporting: First**, Josh Croup, WDTV-TV, Bridgeport, WV, "Tasty Tuesday"; **Second**, Scott Sincoff, WBOY-TV, Clarksburg, WV, "Weather's Impacts on Growing Hay and Hemp in the Mountain State."

**Best Spot News Photography: First**, Lottye Lockhart, Patrick Huddleston and Sam King, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Small Plane Crashes in Albemarle County."

**Best Feature Photography: First**, Larry Marrs, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Jim Cook"; **Second**, Regina Gonzalez and Larry Marrs, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Making a Marine."

**Best Investigative Reporting: First**, Henry Graff, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Police Body Camera Hidden Costs"; **Second**, Henry Graff, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "FOIA: Locality Spending."

**Best Website: First**, Doug Fritz, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Postcards Home"; **Second**, John Lynch and Kenny Jackson, WTRF-TV, Wheeling, WV.

**Best News Promo: First**, Sam King and Scott Hamler, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "NCAA Coverage POP"; **Second**, Bryan Seay, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "World Scout Jamboree."

**Best Station Promo: First**, Scott Hamler, David Foky and Sam King, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Out of the Darkness"; **Second**, Jared Morrison, WVVA-TV, Bluefield, WV.

**Best Newscast: First**, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA; **Second**, Jade Burks, WVVA-TV, Bluefield, WV.

**Best Weathercast: First**, Aubrey Urbanowicz, Chris Holtzman and Mackenzie Lee, WHSV-TV, Harrisonburg, VA; **Second**, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA.

**Best Weathercaster: First**, Aubrey Urbanowicz, WHSV-TV, Harrisonburg, VA; **Second**, Josh Fitzpatrick, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA.

**Best TV News Anchor: First**, Riley Phillips, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV; **Second**, Kasey Hott, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA.

**Best TV Sports Anchor: First**, Damon Dillman, WCAV-TV, Charlottesville, VA; **Second**, Heather Williams, WCYB-TV, Bristol, VA.

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**Best Producer: First**, Valerie Sullivan, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "World Scout Jamboree"; **Second**, Amanda Williams, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA.

**Best Team News Coverage: First**, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Special Session on Gun Laws"; **Second**, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "World Scout Jamboree."

**Best Old Dominion Heritage: First**, Matt Talhelm and Patrick Huddleston, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Catholic Church Integration Impacts Linger in Charlottesville"; **Second**, DJ McNamee, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Crab Orchard Museum July 4th Celebration."

**Best Mountain State Heritage: First**, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV, "Southern West Virginia"; **Second**, Anna Saunders, WOAY-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Oak Hill, WV, "Beckley Barber Hangs up the Clippers After 53 Years."

**Douglas Southall Freeman Award: First**, Sharon Gregory and Patrick Huddleston, WVIR-TV, Charlottesville, VA, "Out of the Darkness."

**Outstanding News Operation of the Virginias: First**, WVNS-TV, Beckley-Bluefield-Lewisburg, WV; **Second**, WCYB-TV, Bristol, VA.

#### **RADIO I/METRO:**

**Best Spot News: First**, Sandy Hausman, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "A Life Sentence for Fields, and His Victims"; **Second**, Matt Demlein, Andy Doernen and Deanna Malone, WRVA-AM, Richmond, VA, "Bus Crash."

**Best Continuing News: First**, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "The Week That Shook Virginia"; **Second**, Whitney Evans and Yasmine Jumaa, VPM News, Richmond, VA, "Evictions Cause Alarm at Richmond Public Housing Communities."

**Outstanding Sports Operation of the Virginias: First**, Greg Roberts and Randy Leftwich, WFIR-AM/FM, Roanoke, VA; **Second**, WMUL-FM, Huntington, WV.

**Best Documentary or In-Depth: First**, Jenny Glick, WTOP-FM, Washington, DC, "Starving for Perfection"; **Second**, Mallory Noe-Payne, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "Arming Teachers."

**Best Light Feature: First**, Gina Gambony, WHRO-FM, Norfolk, VA, "Naro Expanded Video to Close, but Seeks Extended Life for the Collection"; **Second**, Sandy Hausman, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "Yak! It's What's for Dinner."

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**Best Serious Feature: First**, Robbie Harris, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "Mussels in Trouble"; **Second**, Liz McCormick, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV, "Unseen Impacts of Opioid Epidemic: More Autopsies, Staff Shortages and Transporting the Dead."

**Best Sports Feature: First**, Ian Stewart, VPM News, Richmond, VA, "In Central Virginia, Groups Tackle Swimming Disparities That Stem From Segregation"; **Second**, Yasmine Jumaa, VPM News, Richmond, VA, "After School Program Pushes Richmond Youth to Conquer Their Fears Through Skateboarding."

**Best Sports Play-by-Play: First**, Nick Verzolini, Andrew Rogers and Wesley Steele, WMUL-FM, Huntington, WV, "Marshall Men's Basketball vs. Green Bay CIT Championship"; **Second**, Andrew Rogers, Nick Verzolini and Savannah Matney, WMUL-FM, Huntington, WV, "Marshall Football vs. VMI."

**Best Reporter: First**, Sandy Hausman, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA; **Second**, Robbie Harris, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA.

**Best Editorial or Editorial Series: First**, Chris Core, WTOP-FM, Washington, DC, "Core Values."

**Best Specialty Reporting: First**, J.J. Green, WTOP-FM, Washington, DC, "The Fog of Espionage"; **Second**, Caitlin Tan, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV, "Arts and Culture Reporting."

**Best Multimedia/Online Journalism: First**, Megan Cloherty, WTOP-FM, Washington, DC, "The Dance of Life"; **Second**, Brittany Patterson, Larry Dowling and Chuck Kleine, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV, "Mountain State Mead Makers Provide a Taste of Appalachia."

**Best Investigative Reporting: First**, Brittany Patterson and Alexandra Kanik, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV, "Mine Safety Debt for West Virginia Governor Justice's Family Companies Grows to \$4 Million"; **Second**, Ben Paviour and Roberto Roldan, VPM News, Richmond, VA, "VCU President's Pro-Coliseum Op-Ed Ghostwritten by Developer."

**Best Website: First**, WTOP-FM, Washington, DC; **Second**, Chad Matlick, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV.

**Best Station Promo: First**, Tyler Kennett, WMUL-FM, Huntington, WV, "Sports Flavor Parlor Promo"; **Second**, Zane Bowles, David Adkins and Wesley Steele, WMUL-FM, Huntington, WV, "Cult Promo."

**Best Newscast: First**, WFIR-AM/FM, Roanoke, VA; **Second**, Deanna Malone, Matt Demlein and Ashley Stokes, WRVA-AM, Richmond, VA.

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**Best Radio Sports Anchor: First,** Gary Hess, WRVA-AM, Richmond, VA.

**Best Team News Coverage: First,** VPM News, Richmond, VA, "Making New Histories: Rumors of War Sculpture Unveiled in Richmond."

**Best Old Dominion Heritage: First,** Ben Paviour, Peter Solomon and Yasmine Jumaa, VPM News, Richmond, VA, "Virginia's Country Music Roots"; **Second,** Sandy Hausman, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "Hurricane Camille 50th Anniversary."

**Best Mountain State Heritage: First,** Caitlin Tan, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV, "The West Virginia Monster That Crept Into International Pop Culture"; **Second,** Caitlin Tan, WVPB-FM, Charleston, WV, "How to Bake Bread Like Appalachia's Ancestors."

**Douglas Southall Freeman Award: First,** VPM News, Richmond, VA, "Where We Live: Affordable Housing, Evictions and the History of Housing Policy"; **Second,** Sandy Hausman, WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA, "A Prescription to Save Rural Hospitals."

**Outstanding News Operation of the Virginias: First,** WVTF-FM, Roanoke, VA; **Second,** WMUL-FM, Huntington, WV.

#### **RADIO II/NON-METRO:**

**Best Spot News: First,** Jay Hart and Dori Zook, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "UVa Basketball National Championship"; **Second,** Jack Garrett, WAKG-FM, Danville, VA, "Straight Line Winds."

**Best Continuing News: First,** Jack Garrett, WAKG-FM, Danville, VA, "Keeling Triple Homicide"; **Second,** Dori Zook, Chris Callahan and Jay Hart, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Fall Statue Vandalism Spree in Charlottesville."

**Outstanding Sports Operation of the Virginias: First,** Austin Bunn, Brandon Burnette and Josh Lineberry, WBTM-AM, Danville, VA; **Second,** Christian Weaner, WQLU-FM, Lynchburg, VA.

**Best Documentary or In-Depth: First,** Janet Michael, WZRV-FM, Front Royal, VA, "Nine Ways Hackers Will Use Your Personal Information"; **Second,** Michael Guthrie, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Challenges of Affordable Housing."

**Best Light Feature: First,** Jack Garrett, WBTM-AM, Danville, VA, "GWHS Wins State Title"; **Second,** Jay Hart, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Keeping UVa's Good Ole Song Good."

**Best Serious Feature: First**, Janet Michael, WZRV-FM, Front Royal, VA, "Be Aware of Spotted Lanternfly"; **Second**, Jack Garrett, WBTM-AM, Danville, VA, "Casino."

**Best Sports Feature: First**, Randy Woodward, WZRV-FM, Front Royal, VA, "Sports Dogs 2.0"; **Second**, Janet Michael, WZRV-FM, Front Royal, VA, "eSports at Shenandoah University."

**Best Sports Play-by-Play: First**, Austin Bunn, WBTM-AM, Danville, VA, "GW Eagle Football"; **Second**, Mike O'Dell and Dick Helm, WZRV-FM, Front Royal, VA, "Shenandoah University Basketball."

**Best Reporter: First**, Dori Zook, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Unite the Right - Two Years After"; **Second**, Josh Lineberry, WBTM-AM, Danville, VA.

**Best Specialty Reporting: First**, Michael Guthrie, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Real Estate Matters - The Center."

**Best Investigative Reporting: First**, Rob Schilling, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Hammerheads: Unreported Monument Destruction in Charlottesville."

**Best Website: First**, Janet Michael, WZRV-FM, Front Royal, VA.

**Best News Promo: First**, Jon Talbott, Josh Lineberry and Ginyah Woodson, WAKG-FM, Danville, VA, "I Believe."

**Best Station Promo: First**, Jon Talbott, WAKG-FM, Danville, VA, "You Can Have it All."

**Best Newscast: First**, Karl Magenhofer and Mario Retrosi, WSVA-AM, Harrisonburg, VA; **Second**, Jack Garrett, WBTM-AM, Danville, VA, "Changes in General Assembly."

**Best Radio News Anchor: First**, Karl Magenhofer, WSVA-AM, Harrisonburg, VA; **Second**, Macy Hncir, WQLU-FM, Lynchburg, VA.

**Best Old Dominion Heritage: First**, Les Sinclair, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "400 Years of Representative Government in Virginia"; **Second**, Rob Schilling, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Setting the Jefferson Record Straight."

**Douglas Southall Freeman Award: First**, Karl Magenhofer, WSVA-AM, Harrisonburg, VA, "Beyond the Sound Bite"; **Second**, Les Sinclair, WINA-AM/FM, Charlottesville, VA, "Live Well Radio - Aging."

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