

#### **2022 Winners and Judges' Comments**

#### **Bob Shilling Memorial Scholarship Award**

Kiara Patterson Howard University Washington, D.C.

#### **ALL DIVISIONS:**

# **Best in Show -- Television**

WRC-TV, Washington Enterprise Reporting "Driveway Danger" There is not a parent with a car who has not feared what this story reveals as a very real danger. Presenting a story like this demands first gaining the attention of the viewer. The reporter does this through an excruciating, but sensitive, interview with a parent who continues to live a nightmare, but who admirably memorializes her son by helping others avoid a similar fate. The example of how it would take 10 children sitting in a straight line from the front of a tall SUV, a full 16-foot line, before the driver would see even a glimpse of a child, was brilliantly illustrated using cameras from above, in front, and from the driver's perspective. Finally, the reporter stayed with the story as it gained Congress' attention, leading perhaps to a solution. This is a shining example of how well-produced TV journalism can benefit us all and even save lives.

#### **Best in Show -- Radio**

Don Rush
WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury
News Series
"Library/LGBTQ Book Ban"

This series presented stories that highlighted the growing pains of a community claiming their identity in line with their self-image. The reporter didn't shy away from presenting some community leaders' concerns about the book for other children. What made this series stand out was the compelling tape of the brave people who shared their stories with us.



#### 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Best Podcast-Audio**

First Place

WTOP-FM, Washington

Megan Cloherty and Luke Garrett

"DMV Download"

Good reporter, good sound design, engaging and informative.

Second Place

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.

Tom Byrne and Danielle Levredge

"A More Perfect Union"

An interesting deep dive into what it means to some to be from Delaware.

# TV I/Large Market:

# **Outstanding Spot News Reporting**

First Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

"Silver Spring Apartment Explosion"

This was phenomenal team coverage. Great video and natural sound. I really liked how the anchor was able to set the scene with the images from the chopper.

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington

"Man on the Roof: A Crisis

Intervention"

I liked how the station decided to cut away from the video, but also made out that it was important for reporters to be on site for accountability and transparency. Great video and reporting.

## **Outstanding Coverage of a Continuing Story**

First Place

WBAL-TV, Baltimore

"Stricker Street Fire"

Great coverage from beginning to end; from the start of the fire to the fallen firefighters to then the fire chief leaving.

Great work!!

Second Place

WRC-TV, Washington

"Van Ness Mass Shooting"

Great live shots and live interviews with different people in that situation. Shows the viewers how the people there are feeling. Phone interviews also a good aspect. All of it was live coverage, but your team was able to be dynamic in a really tough situation.



#### 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Outstanding News Series**

First Place

Voice of America-TV, Washington

Carla Babb and Michael Burke

"The Air Force's Full 180 in the Arctic"

I loved the way she approached the subject. Getting that permit to fly in one of those jets was very good and showed us what the internal workings of the base is like.

Second Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

Lisa Fletcher, Andrea Nejman and Alex Brauer "Emergency Braking Systems That Fail in the Dark"

## **Best Television Photography**

First Place

WUSA 9, Washington

**Ruth Morton** 

Second Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

Jay Korff

"The Farm Auction, Rt. 15 Widening and Lake Accotink"

Ruth doesn't just accomplish the goal of matching pictures with words. She creates intrigue in a story by letting statistics fill alcohol cups or pulling out a child's doll house instead of the same standard wide, medium, tight shots of a neighborhood. She lets her shots breathe, but doesn't let you get bored by what you're seeing.

There is never a dull moment in Jay's images. He makes quick cuts to keep up with his track and gives viewers a different look at the world and the story. Whether it is using a POV shot to pick up sediment from a lake, or a drone to show a vast collection of tractors, Jay keeps the viewer interested. Additionally, I like his transitions between shots sometimes using a car driving by to create a wipe across the screen.

#### **Best Producer**

First Place

Voice of America-TV, Washington

Carla Babb

"Alaska: America's Strategic Frontier"

This is the type of work that every journalist lies in bed at night dreaming of creating. The difference is Ms. Babb actually did it.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington

Carolyn Cakir and Ashley Briggs

Really just incredible work. The special open - the top of the five and bump straight to live - the sound from that guy looking for his grandma brings you to tears. And the field anchoring seals the deal. Tremendous stuff. Everyone should strive to do this well under such enormous pressure.

# **Outstanding Public Affairs**

First Place

WBFF-TV, Baltimore

Project Baltimore

"Failure Factory"

Great campaign, oustanding, relentless reporing. Compelling presentation. Totally enjoyed the pursuit of Delegate

McIntosh and hope her constituents were watching.

Second Place

**Maryland Public Television** 

Mark Keefer, Jeff Salkin and Sue

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"Classroom Crossroads"

A thorough and detailed review of Maryland's major initiative to improve schools. The program ended on a strong note with the remarks of David Steiner, the former NY state commissioner of education. I wish he would be heard all over the country. Congratulations on this program.

# **Best Specialty Reporting**

First Place

WBAL-TV, Baltimore

Mindy Basara and Mike French
"Weight of the Nation"

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I loved the wide variety of interviews and the different angles they addressed about the issue of obesity. What really made the submission for me was the creative use of graphics to support data that backed up the great interviews.

Second Place

**WRC-TV**, Washington

Adam Tuss and BJ Forte

"What Hoboken NJ Can Teach Cities

About Street Safety"

I loved how you left DC and went to a seemingly random city to find the answers. The reporting was strong with great information. The stunning visuals really kept me engaged. I feel like I learned a lot watching this story.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding Documentary/In-Depth Reporting**

First Place

WRC-TV, Washington

Rick Yarborough, Shawn Yancy and

Steve Jones

"Gun Violence: A Call to Action"

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington

"What's Your Home Worth?"

Great pacing and good job keeping interest. An important issue with lots of great sound and visuals.

# **Best Enterprise Reporting**

First Place

WBFF-TV, Baltimore

"Disabled and Denied"

Second Place

**WRC-TV**, Washington

"Driveway Danger"

Such important storytelling. Incredibly compelling and well shot. You don't have to be connected to this story to care. Well shot, impeccably researched and a strong reporter presence. Keep doing amazing work!

I am so impressed with how the reporting team

demonstrated, visually, the blind spot. So thorough, good graphics, great shooting and a rock solid reporting presence.

# **Outstanding Sports Feature**

First Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

Jay Korff

"Don't Give Up. Don't Give In"

Second Place

WBFF-TV, Baltimore

Morgan Adsit and Layne Blank

"Baltimore Banners Hockey: Playing

for Their Own"



#### 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Outstanding Serious Feature**

First Place

Voice of America-TV, Washington

Kane Farabaugh
"After 20 Years, U.S. Army Officer
Reunites With Afghan Interpreter"

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington

"A Survivor's Story"

Excellent.

# **Best Meteorologist or Weathercaster**

First Place

WUSA 9, Washington

Kaitlyn McGrath
"Snow, Ice and Rain"

Second Place

WTTG-TV, Washington

Matthew Cappucci

"Olney Tornado Coverage"

Kaitlyn's calm, very descriptive delivery is what makes her stand-out In a field dominated by dramatic tornado coverage. A winter storm impacts everyone. Kaitlyn's forecast prepared viewers for the heavy snow, ice, wind and power outage impacts well in advance.

Throwing out meteorology terms but also explaining what they mean and why I should care is what Matthew does best.

He has great energy.

## **Best Multimedia Journalist**

First Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

Jay Korff

"Old Man One Man Band Keeps

Truckin'"

Jay gives viewers the chance to create a relationship with the characters in his stories by giving us a chance to listen to the moments between sound bites. The visuals are captivating, offering depth to each shot.

Second Place

Voice of America-TV, Washington

Kane Farabaugh

Kane finds ways to personalize the big national and international headlines. He weaves a story together to make the viewer understand the trickle down impacts especially in his farming story.



## **2022** Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Outstanding Light Feature**

First Place

WUSA 9, Washington

"Joe the Barber"

Great shooting, great natural sound, great pacing! Anyone, anywhere can appreciate Joe and enjoy this wonderful storytelling.

WJZ-TV, Baltimore

Denise Koch

Second Place

"The Story of Peachy"

All I can say is, more Peachy! Delightful character with compelling storytelling. I'm sure viewers loved this. Good use of photography, pictures, music and nat pops to help tell the story.

## **Best Reporter**

First Place

WTTG-TV, Washington

Sierra Fox

Second Place
WUSA 9, Washington
Evan Koslof

This reporter stood out because she was the only one who did a reel of her work, showing herself in different situations. Her tone of voice and posture give credibility to the news. It can be seen that she is serious and dedicated to her work.

# **Outstanding Year-Round Local Sports**

First Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington



# 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding Website**

First Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

A refreshing, clean look with a headline-based approach and well thought out accompanying graphics. I appreciate the focus is the content...NOT ads. The special content with timeline of the I-95 snowstorm blockage was thorough and multimedia added a nice touch.

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington

#### **Outstanding Morning Newscast**

First Place

**WRC-TV**, Washington

Great pacing, stacked so well, good chemistry between the anchors and really made the most of the set real estate. Felt dynamic but also fun.

Second Place

WBAL-TV, Baltimore

Good breaking news coverage off the top, great anchor chemistry, enjoyable sports talk, this would be the show I watch in the morning.

#### **Outstanding Late Newscast**

First Place

WBFF-TV, Baltimore

Hannah Boettcher, Maxine Streicher

and Kai Jackson

"A Voice of the People"

Truly a master class in producing, reporting and anchoring. Great soundbites, great open (preproduced wow!) and great use of graphics. But most impressive was the context added

to the stories. Remarkable stuff.

Second Place

WRC-TV, Washington

Simple but powerful. Really shows that you don't need all the extra stuff to have a great show. Just quality anchors, quality writing, terrific reporters, and steady producing.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

# **Outstanding Election Night Coverage**

First Place

**WUSA 9, Washington** 

WUSA 9 displayed excellence across all levels of coverage. It

is obvious that everyone from the control room to the reporters in the field worked hard on this coverage.

Second Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

"Your Voice, Your Vote 2022"

Extremely professional and well put together coverage.

#### **Best TV News Anchor**

First Place

WUSA 9, Washington

Lorenzo Hall

Liked his presence and I enjoyed his insights.

Second Place

WUSA 9, Washington

Lesli Foster

Lesli has terrific on-air presence and obviously really cares

about her job.

# **Best TV Sports Anchor**

First Place

WUSA 9, Washington

Darren M. Haynes

#### **Outstanding News Operation**

First Place

**WBAL-TV**, Baltimore

Tim Tunison and Stacey Woodward

Very solid entries this year, but WBAL not only provided a detailed explanation of the top local stories and its coverage, but the video clips demonstrate excellence in production, writing and on-air performance throughout the year.

Second Place

WJLA-TV, Washington

**Cheryl Carson** 



# 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### TV II/Small Market:

## **Outstanding Spot News Reporting**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Hunter Landon and Tinsaye Addis

"Smith Island Tornado"

Great video matching the script. This story really shows how the community is moving forward from the devastation. I liked how the reporter added to the story from the helicopter but didn't take it overboard and insert himself too much.

Second Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Rob Flaks and Mike Lawrence

"Microburst on Delmarva"

# **Outstanding Coverage of a Continuing Story**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Ron Krisulevicz and Bill Mich

"Death of Corporal Glenn Hilliard"

Excellent coverage of a continuing story with compelling and

respectful reporting. As a viewer, it felt inclusive and

informative.

Second Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

"Wicomico Deputy Killed"

Professionally crafted stories with skilled reporting.

# **Outstanding News Series**

First Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

**Torie Seagraves** 

"Cape Henlopen State Park

Restaurant Proposal"

Liked the amount of work the reporter put into this story with multiple interviews and only one zoom call. The important information in the story was up front and the b-roll was a nice

mix.

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Hunter Landon

"Talbot Boys Statue Removed"

The video was well done and the story tried to balance views

on the statue.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Best Television Photography**

First Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

Matthew Short

Matthew tries to give viewers a look at things where their eyes might not normally go. Especially during the Bethany Beach story where he places items like a broken fence, debris, and the ramp in the foreground to give more depth to the shot.

## **Best Producer**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Jana Ruark

Really solid open for the market size. Well-conveyed messaging of the significance of the crime. Good use of stingers. Teases were solid. Overall, really good stuff.

Second Place

Delmarva Sports Network, Salisbury,

Md.

Moe Ware

Friday night football shows are hard to put together - but this was well done - especially for the day after Thanksgiving. Good scripts, good highlights, good teases.

#### **Outstanding Public Affairs**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Bill Mich and John Dearing

"Ocean Beach: The Forgotten City"

Excellent production values, excellent production and very interesting story. Everything about this program is well done from the interviews to the editing.

#### **Best Specialty Reporting**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

**Hunter Landon** 

"Delmarva's Seafood Industry"

Great job telling a story of great importance to people who live and work along the Chesapeake Bay. Well shot with good interviews.

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Lauren Miller

"Wrecking Ball Meets Old Cambridge

Hospital"

Interesting story that's clearly emotional to all the folks with connections to the hospital. Well done for MMJing it. Keep it

up!



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding Documentary/In-Depth Reporting**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Bill Mich and Ron Krisulevicz

"Burning Down Accomack: 10 Years

Later"

Very well-done handling of an amazing and unnerving piece

of history.

Second Place

Very exciting and uplifting.

Delmarva Sports Network, Salisbury,

Md.

Annie Hearn, Bill Vernon and Kayla

Santiago

"Little League World Series"

**Best Enterprise Reporting** 

First Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

Matt Pencek and James Weaver

"Exclusive One on One With Kathleen

McGuiness"

Good work holding those in power accountable while giving

her the space to tell her side of the story!

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Rachel Pierce

"Help for Ukraine"

A moving interview with a woman who's terrified for her

family a world away. I love how someone saw your story and

made a difference for her!

## **Outstanding Sports Feature**

First Place

Delmarva Sports Network, Salisbury,

Md.

Zach Parnes

"Old Tymer's Softball"

Second Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

**Brandon Bossert** 

"After the Whistle"



#### **2022 Winners and Judges' Comments**

#### **Outstanding Serious Feature**

First Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.
Rob Petree and Kolby Redden
"Residents Versus DelDOT"

An important topic for the community! The story is fair and clear. You've effectively outlined the problem and what happens next.

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

**Hunter Landon** 

"Smith Island Voting Issue"

Fair reporting. Good reporter presence and tracking.

## **Best Meteorologist or Weathercaster**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Dan Satterfield

I truly appreciate the perspective Dan gives to his presentation, stepping viewers through the contrasting weather conditions. It's always great to see the meteorologist outdoors in the elements. Viewers appreciate that. Graphics were very clear to read and visuals are appropriate to what he's describing. Dan is a very calming voice during the storm.

Second Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Rich Wirdzek

## **Best Multimedia Journalist**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

**Hunter Landon** 

Hunter presents his stories with clarity. He uses editing techniques to highlight phrases in documents and lets interviews breathe long enough to capture emotion.

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Kirstyn Clark

Kirstyn works hard to build a connection with viewers by including her stand-ups as a perspective to different stories.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding Light Feature**

First Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Jordie Clark and Kolby Redden
"Bay Scallop Restoration"

Well shot and very interesting! Kept my attention. Good

reporter tracking.

#### **Best Reporter**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

**Hunter Landon** 

Well done! You have a lot of polish and a solid delivery.

Congrats!

Second Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Hannah Cechini

Great job! I really enjoyed the variety of stories submitted and your ability to tell them. Overall, very solid reporting.

Congrats!

# **Outstanding Year-Round Local Sports**

First Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Second Place

Delmarva Sports Network, Salisbury,

Md.

Bill Vernon, Kayla Santiago and Zach

**Parnes** 

## **Outstanding Website**

First Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Great that you added video to a majority of the articles!

Foodie Friday is a great addition to the website.

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

**Kye Parsons and Ron Krisulevicz** 



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding Morning Newscast**

First Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

Mallory Metzner and Charlie Sokaitis

Pacing at the start of the broadcast was great and I like that the headlines had weather and featured the morning reporter. Was nice that you looked ahead and focused on what was new with the outdoor dining live element and then some weather. Nice morning show!

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Robyn Walters, Ron Krisulevicz and Bill Mich

# **Outstanding Late Newscast**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Jana Ruark, Ron Krisulevicz and Bill Mich

Second Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

Tanjeen Twinkle, John Dearing and Paige Marley

Great use of the chopper!

# **Outstanding Election Night Coverage**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Jana Ruark, Ron Krisulevicz and Bill Mich

Second Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

John Dearing and Tanjeen Twinkle

Great incorporation of live shots and live interview.



## **2022 Winners and Judges' Comments**

#### **Best TV News Anchor**

First Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Steve Hammond

Steve has great pacing, annunciation and clearly communicates with the viewers in this reel. I like how he timed out the opening clip to allow for natural sound and it still felt natural.

Second Place

WBOC-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Tameka Norman

#### **Best TV Sports Anchor**

First Place

Delmarva Sports Network, Salisbury,

Md.

**Zach Parnes** 

Second Place

Delmarva Sports Network, Salisbury,

Md.

Kayla Santiago

## **Outstanding News Operation**

First Place

WRDE-TV, Milton, Del.

John Dearing

The Hyper-Local format of this station was the selling point

on how well they served their viewers over the year.

Second Place

WMDT-TV, Salisbury, Md.

Sarah Truitt

Good local coverage with Maryland Educator and Justice for

Gavin being highlights.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### Radio I/Metro:

## **Outstanding Spot News Reporting**

First Place

## WBAL-AM, Baltimore

"The Stricker Street Fire"

Second Place

## Bloomberg 99.1, Washington

"Russia Invades Ukraine"

## **Outstanding Coverage of a Continuing Story**

First Place

# WTOP-FM, Washington

"Nightmare on I-95"

Second Place

#### WBAL-AM, Baltimore

"The Stricker Street Fire and Its Aftermath"

For people trapped in cars during a snowstorm, radio could be the only reliable medium for news and information. WTOP's coverage strikes me as a huge service to the community. Plus, it's ongoing and thorough.

# **Outstanding News Series**

#### First Place

## WAMU-FM, Washington

Tamika Smith and Tyrone Turner
"My Kids Are in Pain Now and Need
Relief Now: How Local Families Cope
With Sickle Cell Disease"

Second Place

# WTOP-FM, Washington

J.J. Green

"War in Ukraine: Battle for the Soul

of Europe"

All the competitors did a wonderful job covering their subjects and telling their stories...but at the end of the day, I had to go with the more personal, local story that shared the healthcare logjam for a local family.

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# 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Outstanding Use of Sound**

First Place

#### WEAA-FM, Baltimore

Mykel Hunter

"The Griot"

#### Second Place

#### WYPR-FM, Baltimore

John Lee

"The Battle Is on to Cut Back on Midges, Annoying Gnats That Are Running Amok in Eastern Baltimore County"

# **Outstanding Talk Show**

First Place

#### WBAL-AM, Baltimore

Clarence Mitchell IV, Bryan Nehman and Kevin White "C4 and Bryan Nehman"

Second Place

#### WAMU-FM, Washington

"The Politics Hour With Kojo Nnamdi"

## **Outstanding Editorial or Commentary**

#### First Place

## WEAA-FM, Baltimore

Karsonya Wise Whitehead, Justina Pollard-Bullock and Andre Melton "Baltimore: Two Mass Shootings in One Week?! How Do We Save Our City for Our Children?"

Wow! Powerful commentary on a critical topic. Dr. Kay combines compelling storytelling with critical context to pull her listener carefully through her argument. Stylistically, she uses repetition, cadence and pacing to make for a segment that's both engaging and persuasive. If all of Baltimore would heed her words, so many lives would be saved and the city could live up to its dreams.



# 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

Second Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

Josh Spiegel

"Josh Spiegel Commentary"

# **Outstanding Public Affairs**

First Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

Sheilah Kast, Maureen Harvie and

Melissa Gerr

"When the Iron-and-Steel Railroad

Was the Underground Railroad"

The Underground Railroad entry was elevated by surprise elements in the storytelling, as well as its clear and solid production values.

Second Place

WEAA-FM, Baltimore

Darrell McMillan and Clarence

Snuggs

"Owning a Business and Developing

Properties in Baltimore"

Owning a Business got my second place vote for its important coverage of this topic and strong host.

#### **Best Specialty Reporting**

First Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

Scott Maucione

"Why Children's Medications Are in

**Short Supply in Maryland Pharmacies** 

When Parents Need It the Most"

Second Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

John Lee

"Environmental Reporting"

Excellent reporting in this category!

**Outstanding Documentary/In-Depth Reporting** 



# 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

First Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

Maureen Harvie, Sheilah Kast and Melissa Gerr "Attorney General Brian Frosh on the Cover-up of Abuse by Baltimore's Catholic Archdiocese" In-depth coverage, with insights from a credible guest. A story that evokes a wide range of emotions, with facts.

Second Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

Zshekinah Collier
"Baltimore Parents Fight to Keep
Their Neighborhood Elementary

School Open"

A great example of covering an issue that matters in a local community.

# **Best Enterprise Reporting**

First Place

Voice of America-Radio, Washington

Carolyn Presutti, Steve Miller and Adam Greenbaum "NYC Jammin'" Wish there had been more, but the one there was very efficient.

# **Outstanding Sports Feature**

First Place

WEAA-FM, Baltimore

**Gabe Ortis** 

"State of Ravens Offense / World Cup

Preview"

Nice opinion piece and coverage on local sports.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

# **Outstanding Serious Feature**

First Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

Phil Yacuboski

"Prayers for Peace in Ukraine"

Prayers for Peace was clearly the winner.

Second Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

Tom Hall, Malarie Pinkard-Pierre and

**Rob Sivak** 

"Saving Poppleton: How an Urban Development Conflict Was Resolved"

# **Outstanding Light Feature**

First Place

WAMU-FM, Washington

Colleen Grablick

"The Pieces Have Come Together at the Capital Checker Club's Adams Morgan Clubhouse" I loved it. It was great, light, uplifting news with some struggle but a positive outcome.

Second Place

WYPR-FM, Baltimore

Tom Hall, Teria Rogers and Malarie Pinkard-Pierre "Midday on Cars! With Maryland Public Television's 'Motor Week' Host John Davis" Very topical and informative.

#### **Best Reporter**

First Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

Scott Wykoff

Some of the best live news reports I've heard. The house fire story would be a "can't turn off the radio" moment. Great detail. Great use of ambient sound. Fantastic energy.

Second Place

WTOP-FM, Washington

Nick Iannelli



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding Year-Round Local Sports**

First Place

WTOP-FM, Washington

Solid coverage of local sports. Coverage of the professional teams was spot on. The reporting on other local sports ranging from little league to axe throwing was a welcome bonus, and great example of covering the broader sports community.

# **Outstanding Website**

First Place

WTOP-FM, Washington

Robust reporting with lots of content on a variety of topics. Clear, clean site with strong mix of text, video and audio.

Second Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

John Laur, Robert Sobus and Will

Carter

## **Outstanding Newscast**

First Place

WTOP-FM, Washington

Second Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

## **Outstanding Election Night Coverage**

First Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

Second Place

WTOP-FM, Washington

## **Best Radio News Anchor**

First Place

WBAL-AM, Baltimore

**Robert Lang** 

Good coverage.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

## **Outstanding News Operation**

First Place

WAMU-FM, Washington

WAMU-FM is the top choice. Its extensive written summary included many examples of its on-air talent and performance, but also details about specific story coverage, as well as outreach to the African American and Hispanic American/Spanish language communities.

Second Place

WEAA-FM, Baltimore

Randy Reid, Lena Jackson and

Morelys Urbano

WEAA produces five weekly shows, and a high quality product at that. For that Herculean effort, it gets my runner-

up vote.

# Radio II/Non Metro:

# **Outstanding Spot News Reporting**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Sean Greene

"Panic at Football Game"

Good composure narrating and keeping track of unfolding

unexpected event.

Second Place

WFMD-AM, Frederick, Md.

"Police Officers Shot"

Commendable follow through with audio from multiple

sources to tell the complete story.

## **Outstanding Coverage of a Continuing Story**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Mike Phillips

"Fort DuPont Redevelopment

Controversy"

Loved his energy. Very compelling coverage.

Second Place

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.

Paul Kiefer

"Homelessness in Delaware"



# 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Outstanding News Series**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"Library/LGBTQ Book Ban"

# **Outstanding Use of Sound**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"Ocean City"

Second Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"National Folk Festival"

Great use of ambient sound. Really felt like I was on the boardwalk. Very creative and relatable.

## **Outstanding Talk Show**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Rick Jensen

"The Rick Jensen Show"

Good content, delivery, pacing, interaction.

## **Outstanding Editorial or Commentary**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Michael O'Loughlin

"Pelosi"

Good turns of phrase and detail help this political argument hit home. It makes a strong call to civility grounded in sound

logic and emotional appeal.

Second Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Michael O'Loughlin

"Buffalo Shooting"



## **2022** Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Outstanding Public Affairs**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

"Feed a Friend Food Drive"

Great story on the contribution of WDEL to assist those in need. The Feed a Friend project seems to be changing lives and making a difference.

Second Place

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.

"Races to Watch -- 2022"

## **Best Specialty Reporting**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Peter Solomon

"National Folk Festival"

Good use of sound and music to introduce the segment, and nice coverage of the cross section of talent offered at the

Festival.

Second Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Bryan Russo

"Talking Books"

Great use of reviewers who know their stuff, and the author-

to-author pairing made for a nice insight.

# **Outstanding Documentary/In-Depth Reporting**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Chris Carl

"WDEL's 100th Anniversary"

Well-produced segments highlighting the history of

WDEL..bringing back the names and jobs of those from the

past and present, who made the 100 years possible.

Second Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"Black History Walk in Salisbury"

Very well done piece in explaining the history of the

community.



## 2022 Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Best Enterprise Reporting**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"Sussex Development"

Good story and explanation of how development was creating a loss of property, along with impacting roadways and wetlands.

# **Outstanding Sports Feature**

First Place

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.

Rebecca Baer

"Curling Club Inspires Olympic Spirit

in Delaware"

Very educational for the listener. Nice presentation for those who may be unfamiliar with the topic.

## **Outstanding Serious Feature**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"Harriet Tubman Legacy"

Great coverage of the feel of the event and the sentiment of the speakers.

Second Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

Don Rush

"Gay Pride Festival"

Nice use of location sound and creating empathy for the

participants from their personal views.

# **Outstanding Light Feature**

First Place

WSCL/WSDL, Salisbury, Md.

**Brian Shane** 

"Teaching to Surf"

Great delivery!



## **2022** Winners and Judges' Comments

Second Place

Delaware Public Media, Dover, Del.

Rebecca Baer

"Rescue Dogs Bring Hope and Joy to

Women's Prison"

# **Outstanding Website**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Assertive reporting of breaking news and dogged follow-up reports made this entry stand out. WDEL seems to have established itself as a thorough source for local news, sports

and more in its community.

Second Place

WFMD-AM, Frederick, Md.

Lots of good state content, and easy-to-navigate audio links.

# **Outstanding Newscast**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Second Place

WFMD-AM, Frederick, Md.

# **Outstanding Election Night Coverage**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

"Election Watch"

Good in the field coverage. Nice forward momentum that  $% \left( x_{0}\right) =\left( x_{0}\right) +\left( x_{0}\right) =\left( x_{0}\right) +\left( x_{0$ 

doesn't get bogged down.



## **2022** Winners and Judges' Comments

#### **Best Radio News Anchor**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Peter MacArthur

Great presentation. Clear pronunciation and delivery for the listener.

Second Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

Chris Carl

# **Outstanding News Operation**

First Place

WDEL-FM/AM, Wilmington, Del.

I was impressed with the broad scope of coverage the station offered to its community. It is clear that they have an internal goal to provide focused news coverage of their community and their entry demonstrated that they executed on that vision.

Second Place

WFMD-AM, Frederick, Md.