2021 VIRTUAL GALA
OCTOBER 23, 2021
CELEBRATING YOU and TEAM WORK
Winning teams are made of many winning people... sometimes more than the names included on the entry form!

Was your work nominated for or awarded an EMMY® over the years? Was a co-worker or collaborator not included because of budgetary contraints? It’s never too late to purchase a beautiful plaque or crystal award celebrating these contributions. Select from elegant, high gloss rosewood finish plaques personalized with an inscription celebrating your accomplishment, or our beautiful, translucent art glass featuring an image of the Emmy® statuette and your own personal information. Student Awards for Excellence Pillars are also available, with your accomplishment sandblasted and gold color-filled on optically clear crystal. All prices include engraving and shipping.
YOU DID IT! WOW!! STELLAR WORK!!

When this year’s EMMY® Awards are in your hands, they’ll gleam brighter than ever.

God bless the creative and dedicated professionals across our region in a pandemic!

Yes, there was craziness: Logistics, improvised technology, kitchen table producing, living room anchoring, remote reporting, emotional exhaustion, masks. And YOU delivered EXCELLENCE in the onslaught of ongoing misinformation and disinformation. As a result, more viewers than ever were glued to their screens.

I bring you congratulations not only from myself but also from NATAS Mid-America’s Board of Governors.

It’s our privilege to honor all the 2021 nominees and winners. Count us among your most ardent admirers … your biggest fans!

Now for some business details:
1. Because of the pandemic’s disruptions — and because we want to maintain continuity — Mid-America, like other chapters, suspended election of officers and new governors until the very end of 2022.
2. We encourage you to join us in judging — so we can spotlight more entries from more chapters. It’s inspiring and enlightening to see what our colleagues across the country are doing … and learn from them!
3. Please consider making a donation to our $5X500 campaign. 500 members chipping in just $5 a month equals $30,000 in new scholarship money! Here’s some incentive: Branson getaway prizes for lucky donors who sign up first!

As always, ongoing gratitude to our faithful Executive Director Maggie Eubanks! We couldn’t make any of this happen without her.

See you in St. Louis (for sure) October 29th, 2022!

STEVE GRANT
A MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-CHAIRS

Dear Fellow Members of Emmy Mid-America,

Television is no longer defined by a box that resides in our living rooms. Television is happening everywhere we go. This year we adapted our Call for Entries to reflect how and where our members are distributing content. What hasn’t changed is the high level of quality journalism and programming and the amazing talent behind it. We are proud of the work being produced in Mid-America.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the remarkable members of our chapter.

The success of the Emmy® Awards process depends on the willingness of qualified professionals to serve as judges. Without you and your professionalism, the regional Emmy celebrations recognizing excellence in news, programming and craft achievement would not be possible.

This year we had 875 submissions during our Call for Entry period. After being viewed and scored by peers from across the country, 345 nominations were announced in 89 categories.

Thank you to all of you who took the time to judge other chapters this year. If you haven’t judged, please consider doing so. It’s a great opportunity to see what is being produced in other markets.

Congratulations to all the Nominees!

Emmy Mid-America Award Chairs

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2021 MID-AMERICA EMMY® AWARDS
THE PURPOSE OF NATAS
To recognize outstanding achievements in television and allied media by conferring annual awards of merit in the Chapter’s designated award region which includes the television markets primarily in Missouri, Arkansas and Illinois and surrounding DMAs. The presentation of these awards is intended to be an incentive for the continued pursuit of excellence for those working in the television and digital media industry and to focus public attention on outstanding cultural, educational, technological, entertainment, news, informational programming and craft achievements in television and online.

MISSION STATEMENT
We are the EMMY® People. Setting The Gold Standard while Celebrating Innovation and Integrity across all platforms of visual media…Dedicated to Advancing Careers and Promoting Educational Opportunities in Mid-America for the next Generation.

JUDGING PROCEDURES
Judging panels are made up of no fewer than six qualified judges who shall be certified as peer judges, with no more than three of those judges from the same station or company. Whenever possible, it is preferred that at least eight qualified individuals serve on a judging panel. Judges may not have a conflict of interest, which is described as having a direct involvement in the production of an entry, or having a personal relationship with a member of the production staff of an entry. Group ownership, by itself, does not necessarily create a conflict of interest.

Entries are judged against a standard of excellence on their own merit and do not compete against each other. Craft entries are evaluated using a 1-10 scale each for Creativity and Execution. All other entries are scored using a 1-10 scale each for Content, Creativity and Execution. There may be one award, more than one award or no award given in each category. Any exceptions will be noted in the category description.

The success of the EMMY® Awards process depends on the willingness of qualified professionals to serve as judges. Peers in other NATAS Chapters are judging our Chapter’s entries. Our Chapter will judge other Chapters’ entries. By entering, you agree to serve as a judge when asked.

Ballots were returned directly to the accounting firm of RubinBrown for tabulation and selection of nominees and winners.

The NATAS New York, Michigan, Ohio Valley, Lone Star, Pacific Southwest, and Suncoast chapters judged the 2021 entries.

Every measure possible has been taken to make certain the judging was fair and unbiased, the entries were scored purely on their own merits, and that the winners have been selected without influence or forethought. The names of the EMMY® recipients have remained confidential until tonight’s presentation.
THIS EVENING’S PRESENTERS

ROBIN JACKSON
PRINCIPLE, JACKSON+APPLETON

ANDRES GUTIERREZ,
REPORTER, KSHB 41 NEWS

ASHLEY REYNOLDS
CONSUMER INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALIST, KY3/KSPR

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NEWS ANCHOR, KTVI

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ANCHOR/SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORTER, WDAF

LAUREN TRAGER
CHIEF INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER, KMOV

DONNA TERRELL
EVENING NEWS ANCHOR, FOX16 KLRT-TV
“On-line. In-person. It doesn’t matter. This is still an exciting night!”

We found ourselves saying that a year ago with high hopes we could all be together again – in one room - to celebrate such an exciting evening. But here we are again - ready to honor “the best of the best” in the safest way possible. On behalf of your NATAS Mid-America Chapter we thank you for joining us to celebrate excellence in our profession.

As we look for light at the end of the pandemic tunnel, I want you all to know we can’t thank you enough for helping our chapter successfully make it through another challenging year. As we look to 2022, we are hoping to resume not only our in-person Gala celebration but our NATAS Mid-America Gold and Silver Circle celebrations as well. COVID put both of those “on-hold” forcing the chapter to again make the best of a difficult situation.

Along with celebrating regional excellence in News, Sports, Documentaries, Promos and Crafts, we will also recognize seven inductees into the NATAS Mid-America Gold and Silver Circles tonight. Because of pandemic restrictions we honored Jim Riek, Thomas Oakley, Sean Streaty, Judy Fraser, John Paul, Bill Evans and Fred Gamble individually at their television stations over the past many months. Pay close attention to tonight’s virtual gala as you’ll see some of the many contributions they’ve made throughout their remarkable careers.

Next year will be here before we know it. Please go to our NATAS Mid-America web site if there’s someone you feel is worthy of this great honor. Nominations are received from members and non-members alike.

Here’s to a better 2022 for us all!

KRIS KETZ
NATAS Mid-America Executive Vice President, Chair, Gold and Silver Circle Induction Committee, 2012 NATAS Mid-America Silver Circle Inductee, Evening News Anchor, KMBC-TV Kansas City

Congratulations TO THE 2020 GOLD AND SILVER CIRCLE HONOREES

THOMAS OAKLEY
2020 GOLD CIRCLE

JIM RIEK
2020 SILVER CIRCLE
Representing the fourth generation of his family, Thomas A. Oakley joined Quincy Media, Inc. full-time in 1954 after graduation from Duke University. He was called to active duty as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force two months later and served until 1957.

He returned to Quincy in 1958 and worked in various positions until being named president and CEO following the death of his father, Thomas C. Oakley, in 1969. At that time, the company consisted of the Quincy Herald-Whig, WGEM-TV, AM and FM and a portion of ownership of a New Jersey newspaper.

Under Oakley’s leadership, QNI began its major expansion into television. By the time he stepped down as President and CEO in 2008, QMI operated television stations in ten markets, in addition to two radio stations and two newspapers. The company changed its name to Quincy Media in 2016.

Tom Oakley was actively involved in industry affairs, including membership on the National Association of Broadcasters Board and Chairman of the Television Bureau of Advertising. He also held leadership positions in the newspaper industry. Oakley earned numerous accolades for his storied career.

Oakley’s greatest legacy may be in economic development, specifically, in the advancement of highway transportation. In 1958, Oakley played a leading role in bringing three national corridors through the region that connects Quincy and the Tri-State area to the rest of the United States and are critical infrastructure for economic development. His leadership was acknowledged in 2009, with the naming of a portion of the Chicago to Kansas City Expressway from Quincy to Macomb, Illinois, as the Thomas A. Oakley Highway.

Oakley also has received numerous awards from state, regional and local organizations in communities where Quincy Media operated.

Jim Riek was the 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. anchor at KOMU-TV, the only university-owned commercial television station in the United States that uses its newsroom as a working lab for students. He also served as an adjunct faculty member for the Missouri School of Journalism. Jim recently retired and was honored with induction into the Mid-America Silver Circle during his final 10 p.m. newscast on December 1, 2020.

Riek’s career started in radio in Jefferson City, Mo., and he worked as the sports anchor at the CBS affiliate in Jefferson City, Mo. In 1990, Riek became the anchor at KGBT in Harlingen, Texas. He returned to mid-Missouri and KOMU in 1997. Riek headed KOMU’s Target 8 investigative series in addition to his anchoring responsibilities.

Riek earned a bachelor’s degree from Missouri Southern State College in Joplin. The Missouri Broadcasters Association and the Kansas City Press Club, among others, have recognized him with numerous awards for his broadcast excellence.

Riek has a special relationship with Joplin, partly because he went to college there and partly because of his coverage of the May 22, 2011, tornado and Joplin’s recovery. In the aftermath of that tornado, Riek made a total of 48 roundtrips from Columbia, reporting on the immense damage and the community’s struggle to recover from it. Michelle Bogowith, KOMU’s meteorologist at the time (and now with WDAF-TV in Kansas City), made most of those trips with Riek. Their coverage and the documentary film they made won state and national awards, including the Society of Professional Journalists’ documentary of the year. Together they wrote a book about covering the story, donating all the profits to the recovery effort.

Jim and his late wife Linda have three children, Jason, Jamie and Joey and two grandchildren.

When asked what he looks forward to most after retirement, Jim said golfing (of course!) and hopping in his RV to travel across the nation. The best part of traveling? He knows many former KOMU students around the country--who might let him park in their driveway!
He’s WAND News Anchor at 5, 6 and 10 and a Decatur native. Sean Sready graduated from St. Teresa High School and received his degree in Radio and Television from Southern Illinois University - Carbondale.

Sean joined WSOY Radio (Decatur) as a reporter. In 1992 he was appointed WSOY News Director. He moved to television in 1994 when he joined WAND as a reporter and eventually became weekend Anchor. In 1996, he was named as the evening news Anchor.

Sean serves on the Decatur Boys and Girls Club as Board President. He has served on the Catholic Charities Board, United Way Allocation Committee, Macon County Conservation Board, American Heart Association, and is a frequent Master of Ceremonies of community events. Sean has also been named among Reader’s Choice Award top winners for Best Local TV Personality. He is also an AP award winner for best newscast in a medium market for tornado coverage.

Sean contributes to the news with story writing, reporting, and ideas from the community. He has also highlighted more than 250 locally owned businesses in his featured Business Watch.

He and his wife Amy have two children, Brandon and Ashley, a grandson Princeton and a Ragdoll Cat named Max.

Bill Evans is vice president of the West Kentucky Media Group for Paxton Media Group. In this role he is vice president & general manager of NBC affiliate WPSD in Paducah, KY and publisher of six newspapers including the company’s flagship daily paper, The Paducah Sun. He also leads the digital news & sales teams at all seven of these properties.

Bill joined PMG in 1997 as news director for WPSD. He was promoted to VP of News & Operations, and later GM. In 2018 the Paxton family asked him to step into the newspaper business.

Bill considers himself a journalist above all else. His journalism career spans forty years as a radio reporter, TV sports anchor, TV reporter & anchor, TV newscast producer, executive producer, and news director. He has interviewed Presidents, covered post-war activities in Kuwait, produced documentaries and long-form special programming in the U.S. and China. He has led newsrooms through some of the biggest spot news situations found in local TV news—deadly severe weather and mass casualty school shootings.

Bill and his newsrooms have been recognized with many awards including EMMYs, regional RTDNAs, and the AP’s overall excellence award every year since 2016.

Bill believes in “service above self;” and lives that by donating his time to the Rotary Club, United Way, and mentoring through the school systems and the Oscar Cross Boys & Girls Club. He does annual volunteer work at a medical mission in Peru founded by a member of his extended family.

At this point in his career Bill focuses on mentoring journalists. He is extremely proud of the young people who come through his newsroom and then move on to fulfill their dreams in our industry. He’s particularly fond of this old saying:

“Society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in.” - Anonymous Greek Proverb

Bill married Susan a long time ago and are parents to many loving fur babies. His passion is long-distance backpacking and getting away from cell phones.
John Paul, often known as “JP,” is a veteran Illinois TV broadcaster and journalism instructor. He spent over 40 years in TV, radio and journalism education.

John’s interest in journalism started as a teenager delivering newspapers in his hometown of Peoria. He attended the University of Illinois and worked as a reporter and anchor at the college radio station, WPGU. He has degrees in Radio-and-Television and a master’s in journalism. He was hired at WCIA-TV in Champaign right out of college as a reporter and weekend anchor. He rose through the ranks to become producer, executive producer, elections producer and eventually, news director. After nearly 25 years at WCIA, he worked eight years at WILL-TV in Urbana as a producer, show host, debate moderator and documentarian.

John was hired as a part-time, then full-time, journalism “lecturer” at the University of Illinois in 1997. He has taught classes in newscast production, TV storytelling, reporting, broadcast voice, sports journalism and some graduate level classes. In his two decades as a teacher, his college students consistently rated him among the “excellent instructors” on the UI campus. He served on the board of directors for the Illini Media Company, which oversees student media at the U of I.

John has been a member of the Illinois News Broadcasters Association since 1974. He was chair and co-chair of the Mid-America Emmys Board of Governors education committee for 11 years. John was nominated for an Emmy in 2009 as co-producer of a historical documentary titled “True illini Spirit” about the history of Memorial Stadium at the University of Illinois.

For many years, he proudly presented dozens of NATAS high school awards and scholarships at the annual EMMY gala.

John is married and has two adult children. He retired in 2018.

For 48 years, Fred Gamble has been ‘Coverage You Can Count On’ in Texarkana. Wayne Smith, Texarkana mayor, remembers the first time he met Fred, when he returned to Texarkana and ran for public office. “He is a great person and he represents the TV industry in an exceptional manner,” said Smith. “Fred Gamble is probably Mr. TV in Texarkana.”

Gamble started in the TV news business in 1973, he says by accident. He went to college, majoring in music and minoring in math. He had to leave college to get a job. It turns out, being a reporter/photojournalist has been Fred’s first and only job.

He started at KTAL in Texarkana in 1973. He was the first person of color on-air there. He joined the KSLA team in 1986 and has worked at the station non-stop ever since. His coverage area is Texarkana and the surrounding counties in northeast Texas and southwest Arkansas.

Fred Gamble has just about seen it all: police raids, stand offs, fires, snow-storms and flooding.

On the political front, Gamble has been on the beat with more presidential candidates in Texarkana than anyone other reporter. His favorite stories however are about giving back.

“You get more satisfaction in helping the 80 year old lady get her lights turned on than death and destruction,” said Gamble.

Fred Gamble is arguably the most recognized TV journalist in person who’s not actually seen regularly on TV. And he likes it that way. He’s a very humble person and does not like to be in the spotlight. Very rarely will you see him on-camera. Working behind the scenes is where he likes to be.

Retirement isn’t on the horizon for Gamble. Texarkana’s favorite son is here to stay telling more stories for a long, long time. “Like Martin Luther King always said, longevity pays off,” said Gamble.
Judy Fraser came to WCIA in 1976, after getting her start at an NBC affiliate in Madison, Wis., and a CBS affiliate in Boston.

Fraser said she got a bachelor’s degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1962, “when television was still a toddler.”

She started out in Madison as the “Romper Room” lady and hostess for the afternoon movie. When management asked her to become a weather anchor, she went back to school and became a National Weather Service apprentice.

In Boston, she was one of three hosts for the morning show, providing weather segments.

At WCIA, she introduced folksy concepts, including examining woolly worms and persimmon pits to figure out how bad winter would be. “It was a way to make a personal connection,” she said. “I always wanted to connect with people.”

In that spirit, she observed “Hoo Dee Hoo Day” as an annual ritual for those tired of winter and ready for spring. The event attracted more than 300 people to local parks, where they would cry “Hoo Dee Hoo.”

“I got a call from the BBC some years ago,” Fraser said, “and someone said to me in a very British voice, ‘Would you happen to be the Hoo Dee Hoo Lady?’” I thought, “Oh, Lord, what a thing to be known for!” The BBC was putting together a documentary on unusual holidays around the world, and someone in Seattle mentioned a lady in the Midwest who celebrated Hoo Dee Hoo Day. Tapes of Fraser’s annual event ended up being part of the documentary.

Fraser has spent countless hours in classrooms, service clubs, hospitals, nursing homes, parades and community events, all to give back to the community she so loves. She retired in 2011 after 35 years reporting the weather to WCIA viewers. Judy enjoys spending time with her husband, children and grandchildren Griffin, Emma and Jack.
Hello NATAS Mid-America Community,
Are you worrying about how to find good people for your entry-level positions? Worrying that, when you find someone to hire, they might fizzle -- might not have the aptitude, the attitude, the zeal for the profession that’s so necessary for them to thrive?

Well, we on the Mid-America NATAS Education Committee are here to encourage you. We are helping young people who have great attitudes, aptitude, and a passion for the profession. They are making their way through college media programs as you read this. They want to bring their talents, energy and strong work ethic to the profession, and they need your encouragement.

The world has gone a bit topsy-turvy in the past year and a half, and this young generation feels rather upended and uncertain. They need to hear from professionals who love and believe in their profession, who are eager to bring the next generation on board and cheer them on.

Mid-America NATAS is making that a priority. Through the Student Production Awards and the NATAS Mid-America Foundation scholarships, media professionals are honoring the work of outstanding media students. Those scholarships and awards carry significance. They tell students that media professionals see merit in the students’ work and – perhaps more importantly – they see merit in the students’hopes for the future.

How can you encourage these future leaders of our profession? Well, we hope you’ll encourage them every way you can – by offering internships, by reaching out to them in their media programs, by supporting the NATAS Mid-America Foundation, by helping judge Student Production Awards entries every chance you get.

Worry less. Help when you can. We believe it will make a genuine difference - to them and to you.

Sincerely,

ERIN HAYES
NATAS Mid-America Education Chair, Professor of the Practice of Journalism and Media Studies, College of the Ozarks, ABC World News Tonight National Correspondent - Retired
Samantha graduated from Har-Ber High School in Springdale, AR with Highest Honors. She was heavily involved in her school’s film and news program receiving numerous awards including a National Student Pillar of Excellence, two time Digital Cinema State Champion for SkillsUSA, First Place in the national Student Television Network competition, and Best Cinematographer for the Arkansas Scholastic Press Association. Samantha will be attending Belmont University in Nashville, TN in the fall to pursue a double major of Entrepreneurship and Creative Entertainment Industries.

Avery Reed is a senior at College of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, MO, majoring in journalism with a minor in social media. She is the anchor, reporter, and the executive producer of the school’s weekly video newscast, The Point. This summer she is working as an intern for WGEM in Quincy, Illinois. Her internship is helping to prepare her for a future in newscast producing and she is excited to begin learning and developing those skills at the professional level. Avery wants to be a producer at local news station where she hopes to one day anchor and produce newscasts.

VERVE REPOSAR
She started by making a 24 second film with her little brother: a paper crown and a lego snake. Eleven years later, Verve Reposar has made over thirty short films, written dozens of scripts, and has three novels in the works. The more she creates, the more she learns, and the more she continues to fall in love with the art of storytelling. A senior at the College of the Ozarks, Verve studies video production and English literature while working at The Point Newsroom. Verve earned the position of Senior Reporter in her last semester at The Point and will join Media Production in the coming school year, taking a wealth of knowledge, experience, and encouragement with her. Her passion continues to drive her towards each goal relentlessly, and she’s loving every step of the way.

WILLIAM WEHMER
From Springfield Mo, William Wehmer graduated in the top ten of his Hillcrest High School class and was granted early acceptance into the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri in Columbia. His high school honors in broadcast journalism include national recognition from NSPA for Broadcast Feature of the Year, Best of Show, Podcast for “Bay 11”. William is the News Director for “HTV Magazine,” which earned the school’s unprecedented 15th Broadcast Pacemaker Award, the STN Excellence Award, and placed first in “Newscast” in the Mid-America Chapter’s Student Production Awards. He served on the Hillcrest Student Council Cabinet for two years, was a member of the National Honor Society, helped create and design the “Highlighter” yearbook, and revived /edited the school’s literary magazine, “The Sting”.

WEB DESIGNS FOR CONFERENCES, EVENTS & MEETINGS
COLLEGE STUDENT HONORABLE MENTIONS

NEWSCAST
HU16 News Live at Five for Tuesday, March 30, 2021
Harding University HU16, Searcy, AR
Ethan Conn - Producer, Jordan Crisco - Director, and Staff

WEIU News Watch
WEIU-TV/Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
Everett Lau - News Assistant/Producer

NEWS: GENERAL ASSIGNMENT - LIGHT NEWS
Christmas Truce
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Nate Hankins - Photographer, Lizzie Miller - Reporter/Writer/Editor

Dairy Champions
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Savannah Hampton - Reporter/Writer/Photographer/Editor

MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST (MMJ)
WU Shooting Case
Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL
Devin Brooks - Reporter, Writer, Producer

Dairy Champions
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Savannah Hampton - Reporter/Writer/Photographer/Editor

SHORT FORM - NON-FICTION
Respite in Residence
University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
Evann Twitchell - Entry produced in full by Evann Twitchell

In Memory of Dr. Keeter
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Verve Reposar - Reporter/Writer/Photographer/Editor, Karsten Armstrong - Photographer

COVID-19 | Macomb Woman Turns Pain into Inspiration
Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL
Kennedy Williams - Reporter, Writer, Producer, Devin Brooks - Videographer

LONG FORM - NON-FICTION
UI7 Live: Life in a Pandemic
University Of Illinois College of Media
Acacia Hernandez - Producer

CRAFT TALENT - NEWS OR SPORTS
Avery Reed
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Avery Reed - Reporter/Anchor

Forecaster Stephen Elmore
WEIU-TV/Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
Stephen Elmore - Forecaster

CRAFT EDITOR
Zaknafein Luken
Lincoln College, Lincoln, IL
Zaknafein Luken - Editor

Honey Bunches of Oates Commercial
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Edwardsville, IL
Carlos Dulcarnara - Director, Writer, Editor

COLLEGE STUDENT WINNERS

NEWSCAST
UATV News
University Of Arkansas Television, Fayetteville, AR
UATV Staff Producers

NEWS: GENERAL ASSIGNMENT - LIGHT NEWS
Devin Brooks: News Report - Serious News
Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL
Devin Brooks Reporter, Writer, Producer

NEWS: GENERAL ASSIGNMENT - SERIOUS NEWS
Devin Brooks: News Report - Serious News
Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL
Devin Brooks Reporter, Writer, Producer

LONG FORM - NON-FICTION
Performing Arts - Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play
Harding University HU16, Searcy, AR
Megan Lee - Director, and Staff

MAGAZINE PROGRAM
Christmas Special
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Avery Reed - Reporter/Writer/Editor/Producer/Anchor, Lizzie Miller - Reporter/Writer/Editor, Karsten Armstrong - Reporter/Photographer/Editor

CRAFT TALENT - NEWS OR SPORTS
Western Illinois University
Macomb, IL
Devin Brooks Writer, Producer, Reporter

CRAFT PHOTOGRAPHER
College of The Ozarks
Point Lookout, MO
Photojournalists of The Point Photographer

CRAFT EDITOR
College of The Ozarks
Point Lookout, MO
Verve Reposar - Reporter/Writer/Photographer/Editor

CRAFT WRITER
College of The Ozarks, Point Lookout, MO
Verve Reposar Reporter/Writer
HIGHSCHOOL STUDENT HONORABLE MENTIONS

NEWS: GENERAL ASSIGNMENT - LIGHT NEWS

They Were Here
Hillcrest High School, Springfield MO
Emma Tracy - Reporter, William Wehmer - Photographer

Feasibility of Santa
Lakeside High School, Hot Springs, AR
Carson Burnham - Producer

Act of Kindness
Har-Ber High School, Springdale AR
Samantha Lewandowski - Reporter

SHORT FORM - NON-FICTION

Ghost Town
Hillcrest High School, Springfield MO
William Wehmer - Reporter, Emma Tracy - Photographer

PUBLIC SERVICE (PSAS)

I Love You 5000
Har-Ber High School, Springdale AR
Samantha Lewandowski - Editor, Addison Whitney - Photographer

Magic Money
Har-Ber High School, Springdale AR
Samantha Lewandowski - Reporter

SPORTS

Lone Pine Bike Park
Central Intelligence, Springfield MO
Elizabeth Swords - Reporter, Jacob Tetlow - Videographer

TALENT

Norah Bayyari - Talent
Hillcrest High School, Springfield MO

Benjamin Parris: Broadcast Personality
Central Intelligence, Springfield MO
Kate Steingraber - Reporter, Derek Saiko - Videographer

PUBLIC AFFAIRS/COMMUNITY SERVICE

Join us at Lakeside Kindergarten
Lakeside High School, Hot Springs, AR
Jackson McAfee - Producer

Back to School Information
Lakeside High School, Hot Springs, AR
Brooks Bell - Producer

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WINNERS

NEWSCAST

HTV Magazine
Hillcrest High School, Springfield MO
William Wehmer - News Director, HTV Staff Producers

NEWS: GENERAL ASSIGNMENT - SERIOUS NEWS

Shattered
Hillcrest High School, Springfield MO
William Wehmer - Reporter, Emma Tracy - Photographer

SPORTS

The Fighter
Hillcrest High School, Springfield MO
Sophia Vaughn - Reporter, Trevor Roy - Photographer

SPORTS PROGRAM

Wildcat Sports Network | Episode 69
Har-Ber High School, Springdale AR
Staff

SPORTS - LIVE EVENT

2020 CHSAA 5A Semi-Final: Cherry Creek vs. Pomona
Cherry Creek High School, Englewood, CO
Staff

EDITOR

Har-Ber High School
Springdale AR
Samantha Lewandowski - Editor

PHOTOGRAPHER

Har-Ber High School
Springdale AR
Samantha Lewandowski - Photographer

TALENT

Har-Ber High School
Springdale AR
Samantha Lewandowski - Talent
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THE NOMINEES

TEAM COVERAGE
A State Covered in Snow
KARK & KLRT
Kevin Kelly, Cassandra Webb, Donna Terrell, Kristen Kennedy, Marc Gustafson, Hunter Hoagland, Kyle Dollarhite, Julian Jones, Alexis Wainwright

CONTINUING COVERAGE
Lisa Montgomery—Inside a Killer’s Mind
KCTV
Angie Ricono, Gregory Milota, Cyndi Fahrlander, Scott Flannigan, Aurora Nelson

Public Records & Accountability Teen’s Shooting Death
KSHB
Andy Alcoc, Mark Kachelmeier

Dying in Custody: Tommie McGlothen Jr.
KSLA
Domonique Benn, Stacey Cameron

Rebound 5: Impacted by the Pandemic
KSHB
Dia Wall, Chase Lucas

Pulled from the Flames
KMOV
Venton Blandin, Brian Podner

BREAKING OR SPOT NEWS - SINGLE REPORT
Jordan Street Fire
KSLA
Adria Goins, Andrun Fisher, Christian Piekos, Domonique Benn, John Linden, Rae’Ven Jones

Plane Lands on I-470
KMBC
Marnie Ingle, Khadijah Forrest

Protesters Hit The Highway
KLRT
Alexis Wainwright, Lauren Swaim

Little Rock Mayor & Police Chief Caught in Chaos
KARK
Re’Chelle Turner, Marc Gustafson

BREAKING OR SPOT NEWS - MULTIPLE REPORTS
Remains of Missing Columbia Mother
KOMU
Kellie Stanfield, Ryan Takeo

George Floyd’s Death Protests, Push for Change
KSHB
Matthew Waggoner

Ferguson Unrest
KSDK
Samantha Ware, Casey Nolen, Robert Townsend, Bob Droste

George Floyd Protests
KATV
Shelby Rose, Paden Moore

George Floyd Protests
KMOV
Scott Diener

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THE NOMINEES

ENVIRONMENT/SCIENCE - NEWS

Clear and Present Danger: The Leak
WCLA
Mark Maxwell, Lyndsay Jones

Expectorate the Unexpected
KCTV
Nathan Vickers

ENVIRONMENT/SCIENCE - SHORT FORM

Living St. Louis: The OOPS Program
NINE PBS
Jim Kirchherr

Over & Under: Wildlife Crossings
Fourth Wall Films K elly Rundle

Love Bugs?
HEC-TV
Angie Weidinger, Peter Foggy

ANCHOR – WEATHER

Science:Understood & Empowering
KOMU Kenton Gewecke

Beyond the Weather App
KY3
Abby Dyer

Stormrunnin’ Science
KTVI
Brigit Mahoney

KTVI
Chris Higgins

BUSINESS/CONSUMER - NEWS

Appliance Repair Call Centers Confuse
KSHB
Cat Reid

Hospital Credit Checks
KSDK
PJ Randhawa, Andy Broadway, Erin Richey

The Lunch Crowd
KCTV
Nathan Vickers

COVID Slicing Away Profits
KSLA
Stacey Cameron, DeWayne Kneipp

’I Want Justice’; Contractor Takes Cash
KSHB
Cat Reid

KMBC 9 Investigates: T.E.H. Realty
KMBC
Matt Flener

BUSINESS/CONSUMER - SHORT FORM (UP TO 10 MINUTES)

STL 5-Year Strategic Plan Summary
Spot Content Studio
Lauren Nieman, Lynn Hensel, Tim Kimberling, Sanford Mendelson

Smoothie Success
HEC-TV
Nancy Pasternak, Peter Foggy

EDUCATION/SCHOOLS - NEWS

Ozarks Life: Blake Richter’s Cathedral
KYS/KSPR
Chad Plein

Kirkwood High School Abuse Allegations
KSDK
PJ Randhawa, Andy Broadway, Erin Richey

Jasmine’s Virtual Reality
KARK
Cassandra Webb

Coronavirus & Education: Making a Difference
KSDK
Mike Bush

Loud and Clear
KSLA
Doug Warner

EDUCATION/SCHOOLS - SHORT FORM

Winnetonka Celebrates 50 Years
North Kansas City Schools
Susan Hiland

Sunnye Says: Back to School
Medical News Network
Cliff Erwin, Jessica Lovell Carro, Jill Chadwick

Music that Reclams
HEC-TV
Dawn Meadows Dixon, Dustin Karrer

NEIL’S STORY

StoryTrack
Lori Dowd

NEWS FEATURE – LIGHT FEATURE (SINGLE REPORT)

The Greatest Player You’ve Never Heard Of
KSDK
Mike Bush, Tom Stasiak

Distinguished Veteran Reflects
WPSD
Brianna Clark

Murals on 7th Street
KTHV
Craig O’Neill, Sam Belk

Pandemic Changes 2020 Holiday Traditions
KSHB
Lindsay Shively, Tyler Navas, Chase Lucas

It’s More Than Money
KMBC
Matt Evans, Turner Twyman

A Season Rewritten
KSLA News 12
Doug Warner
THE NOMINEES

NEWS FEATURE - SERIOUS FEATURE (SINGLE REPORT)

A Story of Friendship
KSDK
Frank Cusumano, Randy Schwentker

Josh Speidel
KSDK
Mike Bush, Scott Suppelsa

Donating for Drake
KMBC
Whitney Blake Tyler, Bianca Beltran

A Call to Live
KSLA
Doug Warner

LIFESTYLE - LONG FORM

Ed’s Favorite Things
Coolfire
Terry Crouppen, Andy Crouppen, Edward Herman, Kristin Click, Jeremy Corray, Josh McNew, Wes Murrell, Dane Dickmann, Jessie Karabell

“Urban Forge: Ozark Artistry”
ARAKANSAS PBS
Charles Eric White, Terrell Case, CJ Burks, Ed Leon

INTERVIEW/DISCUSSION - SHORT FORM OR LONG FORM

Joan Lunden “Why Did I Come Into This Room?”
HEC-TV
Victoria Babu, Julie Winkle, Greg Kopp

Police, Protests and Progress:A Candid Conversation
KOMU
Emily Spain, Ryan Takeo, Major King

Secrets and Spies - Author Jennie Fields on “Atomic Love”
HEC-TV
Kathy Bratkowski, Peter Foggy, Julie Winkle

The People & The Police
KMBC
Cara Doyle Wright, Greg Steele, William Todd Ummelmann, Lara Moritz

MORNING NEWSCAST - MARKETS 1-49

Commitment 2020 Election Results
KMBC
Allison Derks, Patrick Mirch, Michael Gant, Susannah Schrader, Sydney White

TISL Snow and Bitter Cold
KSDK
Brett Kaprelian, Tram Anh Nguyen, Megan Mays

Snow and The Super Bowl
KMBC
Patrick Mirch, Allison Derks, Melody Cox, Michael Gant, Susannah Schrader

ANCHOR - NEWS

KSDK
Mike Bush

KSHB
Kevin Holmes

WDAF
John Holt

KSHB
Dia Wall

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DAILY NEWS REPORT (SINGLE SHIFT)

‘Addressing an issue
KSHB
Andres Gutierrez, Tyler Navas

Inside The Covid-19 ICU
KSDK
Casey Nolen, Tom Stasiak

Ordinary Circumstances
KCTV
Angie Ricono, Gregory Milota, Cyndi Fahrlander, Scott Fannigan

Connecting through A Lost Art
KSHB
Ariel Rothfield, Darrius Smith

Days Like These
KCTV
Nathan Vickers

MILITARY - NEWS

Covid and Veterans: Making a Difference
KSDK
Mike Bush, Tom Stasiak

It Takes An Army
KTVI
Andy Banker

A Father’s Story
KMOV
John O’ Sullivan, Krista Ulberg

EDITOR - NEWS

KSHB
Chase Lucas

FOX SPORTS MIDWEST
Krystal Hall

Pretty Radical
KMBC Whitney Blake Tyler

EDIT OR - SHORT FORM OR LONG FORM

Spacecam: Chapter One
Paradowski Creative
Alyssa Schier

Square One Brewery ‘Craft’
90 Degrees West
Scott Conger

3 Lawyers Eating Sandwiches To-Go | Mac’s Local Eats
Coolfire
Roxanne Lingua

Aligned Media
Chris Myers

Ed V. Snacks
Coolfire
Edward Herman

This Is What I Want to Do With My Life
Once Films
Chris Ryan

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THE NOMINEES

MUSICAL COMPOSITION/ARRANGEMENT

Ran – Presence
Ben Kaplan

Original Music Composite
Coolfire Studios
Brent Johnson

Square One Brewery ‘Craft’
90 Degrees West
Mark Bartels

GRAPHIC ARTS - MOTION GRAPHICS AND VISUAL EFFECTS

Rene or Knot: 2021 Olympics
KSDK
Richard Witzofsky

Heart of the Storm
KNWA / KFTA
Chuck Mare

That’s My M-O for OBP Agency & the Missouri Board of Tourism
Coolfire Studios
Patrick Vaughan, Kevin Johnson

Motion Graphics for Saint Luke’s
Saint Lukes, Tyler McKee

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INFORMATIONAL/INSTRUCTIONAL - SHORT FORM
- 5 Vegetables to Start Growing: Beginner’s Guide
  KANSAS CITY PBS
  Emily Woodring

- Blueberry’s Clubhouse: Exploring Helium, Hydrogen & Nitrogen
  ARKANSAS PBS
  Charles Eric White, Terrell Case

- Ed V. Cameo
  Coolfire
  Terry Croupen, Andy Croupen, Edward Herman, Kristin Click, Jeremy Corray, Josh McNew, Dane Dickmann, Jessie Karabell

INFORMATIONAL/INSTRUCTIONAL - LONG FORM
- Better Homes & Garden’s Ultimate Cookie Exchange
  KMOV
  Bryce Moore, Jan Miller, Tom Zupanci, Dianne Casey, Aric Lavender

- Project Tornado 2021
  WSIL
  Joseph Carr

- Runs and Data: The Science of Illinois Baseball
  University of Illinois Campus Programming
  Kaitlin Southworth, Timothy Hartin, Robin Kaler, Kent Brown, Alison Davis Wood, Eric Todd Wilson

- Blueberry’s Clubhouse – Blueberry’s End of Summer Jamboree
  ARKANSAS PBS
  Charles Eric White, Terrell Case, Corey Womack, CJ Burks

INVESTIGATIVE - SINGLE REPORT
- I-Team Investigates Davita Patient Files Dumped
  KSDK
  PJ Randhawa, Andy Broadway, Erin Richey

- Saving NOAA Weather Radio
  WCIA
  Kevin Lighty

- Working 4 You: Serve and Protected
  KARK
  Susan El Khoury, Ross Cook

INVESTIGATIVE - SERIES
- KMBC 9 Investigates: KHP Harassment Claims
  KMBC
  Lara Moritz, Todd Ummelmann, Cara Doyle Wright

- Paying Back Unemployment
  KMOV
  Lauren Trager, Noah Brooks

- Digging in the Dark: a Detective’s Haunting Past
  KCTV
  Gregory Milota, Angie Ricono

- FBI Investigates KIA Dealership
  KSHB
  Andy Alcock, Mark Kachelmeier, Chase Lucas

THE NOMINEES

SPECIAL EVENT COVERAGE - LIVE
- Plaza Lighting Ceremony
  KMBC
  Cara Doyle Wright, Greg Steele, Kris Ketz, Lawrence Moore

- Super Bowl LV Send-Off Special
  KC CHIEFS
  Anna Tobkin, Glenn Connelly, David Kelsey, Matt McMullen, Shawn Barber, Mitch Holthus

- Greensky Bluegrass - Casual Wednesday
  201 Productions LLC
  Trey Kerr, Brenton Henry, Matthew Beck, Pat Hagin

MAGAZINE PROGRAM
- Living St. Louis
  NINE PBS
  Anne-Marie Berger, Gabrielle Hays, Jim Kirchherr

- Spotlight – March 7, 2021
  HEC-TV
  Jayne Ballew, Colby Marshall, Julie Tristan, Taunia Mason, Paul Schankman, Kathleen Berger, Paul Langdon, Dawn Meadows Dixon, Peter Foggy, Ryan Fitzgerald

- Spotlight - September 13, 2020
  HEC
  Jayne Ballew, Colby Marshall, Julie Tristan, Julie Winkle, Paul Schankman, Kathleen Berger, Paul Langdon

EVENING NEWSCAST - MARKETS 100+
- January 8, 2021 10:00 PM Newscast
  KHBS/KHOG
  Patrick Clark, Melody Kwok

- ABC 17 News at 10:00 – Weather Alert Day
  KMIZ
  Curtis Yarns

- KWQC: Breasia Terrell Found
  KWQC
  Casey Allbee

PROGRAM HOST/MODERATOR
- Ed’s Favorite Things
  Coolfire
  Edward Herman

- Ed V. Quarantine
  Coolfire
  Edward Herman

- Ed V. Snacks
  Coolfire
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ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT - NEWS
Local Dentist Strikes a Chord
WPSD
Brianna Clark

Portrait Perfect: Healing Grief Through Art
WAND
Deron Molen, Eric Ahola

Covid Crooner
KSDK
Mike Bush, Tom Stasiak

One Tank Trips
KSHB
Daisha Jones, Jacob Morgan

Super Bowl to Super Summer: The Chiefs Offseason
Online
WDAF
Kerri Stowell, John Gerhards, Kelsey Williamson

ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT - SHORT FORM (UP TO 10 MINUTES)

Hurly Burly from KC Performs
KANSAS CITY PBS
Brad Austin, John McGrath

Classical BTS: Nomin Zolzaya
WILL
Sarah Edwards, DJ Roach, Isaac Musgrave

Ding Dong Merrily on High: U.S. Air Force Band
Mid-America
Coolfire Studios
Carroll Keane, Roxanne Lingua, Macy Harrell

“Mary Did You Know”
Coolfire Studios
Macy Harrell, Roxanne Lingua, Josh Feldt, Carroll Keane

Unprecedented Times Productions
Blend Studio
Brandon Goodwin

Shenandoah/Somewhere Over the Rainbow Performances
Raindrop Creative
Jason Smith

Quarantined
Aligned Media, Leverage Dance Theater, Skypie
Diana Barrios, Daniel Castro, Claire Hilleren, Jeff Mitchell, Scott Smith

ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT - LONG FORM (LONGER THAN 10 MINUTES)

A Christmas Carol
KANSAS CITY PBS
Brad Austin, Cole Blaise, Joseph Pollock, Matt Terwilliger

The Doo Dads: There Will Be Rock
Mile Deep Films & Television LLC
Anthony Ladesich, Mike Niewald

Arts United STL
SWITCH
Andrew Jorgensen

The Pageant Livestream Series
201 Productions LLC
Trey Kerr, Brenton Henry, Conway McDonald-O’Lear, Pat Hagin

Greensky Bluegrass - The Leap Year Sessions
201 Productions LLC
Trey Kerr, Brenton Henry, Matthew Beck, Pat Hagin

Park University’s Stanislav & Friends
Toto TV Media
Mitch Weber, Lucas Cohen, Lisa Hickok

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THE NOMINEES

DOCUMENTARY - HISTORICAL
Brothers In Arms Beyond The Call
Tracie Hunter, Elizabeth Suter, Keith Kohler, Nick Martinovich, Kyle Olson

Stout Hearted: George Stout & Guardians of Art
New Mile Media Arts
Kevin Kelley, Marie Wilkes

House of Thunder
HEC-TV
Paul Schankman, Dennis Riggs, Robert Garcia, Dave Sharp, Ryan Fitzgerald, Amanda Honigfort

Freedom Suits
Coolfire
Edward Herman, Jeremy Corray, David Mason, Paul Venker, Cory Brandon Clay, Josh McNew, Patrick Vaughan, Brent Johnson

Chronicle: Pioneers. Patriots. Trailblazers
KMBC
Whitney Blake Tyler, Haley Harrison, Cara Doyle Wright, Allison Hill

Bird: Not Out of Nowhere
KANSAS CITY PBS
Brad Austin, John McGrath, Cole Blaise, Matthew Mc Clelland

Indians, Outlaws, Marshals & the Hangin’ Judge
University of Arkansas
Larry Foley

DOCUMENTARY - CULTURAL
America’s Last Little Italy: The Hill
Caleo Productions
Joseph Puleo, Steve Cakouros, Rio Vitale

Six Streets
KANSAS CITY PBS
Cody Boston, Josh Gloer, Michael Saldivar, Nicholas Wiggins, Trey Swager, Evan Wunsch

Breakdown: The Frontline Response to the Mental Health Crisis
KSLA
Stacey Cameron, DeWayne Kneipp, Mark Klein, Jayne Ruben, Rachael Thomas

Rap Squad
ARKANSAS PBS
Nathan Willis, Nolan Dean, Craig Renaud, Courtney Pledger

WEEKEND NEWSCAST - ALL MARKETS
Remembering Lou Brock
KSDK
Andrew Scherer

MORNING NEWSCAST - MARKETS 50+

Daybreak
KATV
Macy Davis Casey Carroll

KSLA News 12 This Morning 6 AM
KSLA
Adria Goins, Domonique Benn, Andrew Brightman, Andrun Fisher, Brandon Decareaux, John Linden, Rae’Ven Jones

Snow & Bitter Cold Cripple the Ozarks
KY3/KSPR
Brett Onstott, Abby Foster, Chad Plein, Jackie Garrity, Elizabeth VanMetre

Driver Rescued in Sub-Zero Temperatures
KTV
Brett Onstott, Jordan Davis, Abby Foster, Chad Plein, Jackie Garrity, Raquel Harrington

PHOTOGRAPHER - NEWS
KSHB
Chase Lucas

A Complicated Time
KMBC
Whitney Blake Tyler

KSDK
Randy Schwentker

PHOTOGRAPHER - SHORT FORM OR LONG FORM

The People of John Boos
Once Films
Chris Ryan

Aligned Media
Scott Smith

AUDI O - LIVE OR POST PRODUCTION

Sound Design Composite
Coolfire Studios
Brent Johnson

Kansas City Symphony 2 Music Cuts Celebration
SmashPop Creative
Tye Murphy

DIRECTOR - LIVE OR RECORDED LIVE

Live From The Sheldon with Marquise Knox
HEC-TV
Jayne Ballew

St. Louis Blues Pre-Game
BALLY SPORTS MIDWEST
Mike Pyle

Greensky Bluegrass - Casual Wednesday
201 Productions LLC
Trey Kerr

DIRECTOR - SHORT FORM OR LONG FORM

Ran - Prescence
Aligned Media
Scott Smith

Ed’s Favorite Things
Coolfire
Edward Herman

America’s Last Little Italy: The Hill
Caleo Productions
Joseph Puleo
Blake’s Story
StoryTrack
Lori Dowd

3 Lawyers Eating Sandwiches To-Go | Mac’s Local Eats
Coolfire
Jeremy Corray

Greensky Bluegrass – The Leap Year Sessions
201 Productions LLC
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Quarantined
Aligned Media, Leverage Dance Theater, Skypie
Daniel Castro

Ed V. Snacks
Coolfire
Edward Herman

We Are All United
Once Films
Mark Wickersham

Indians, Outlaws, Marshals & the Hangin’ Judge
University of Arkansas
Larry Foley

COMMUNITY SERVICE
Arkansas AMI
ARKANSAS PBS
Courtney Pledger, Ed Leon, Sajni Kumpuris

Victory Over Violence
KARK & KLRT
Ernie Paulson

Thursday’s Child
WDAF
Sherae Honeycutt

CRIME - NEWS
The Mystery of Middle Creek
WDAF
John Holt, Jon Haiduk

Misconduct Behind Bars
WAND
Deron Molen, Eric Ahola, Morgan Schaab, Jacklynn Boatman

A Killer’s Confession
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Bob Cyphers, Krista Ulberg

Why Does He Get to Walk Away?
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Stacey Cameron

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Ariel Rothfield, Giovanni Garcia

KMBC 9 Investigates: Kansas Unemployment
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Chris Nagus, Mark Hadler

Jackson County Tax Mess
KCTV
Angie Rico, Gregory Milota

Out of Order: Judge Facing Questions
KSLA
Stacey Cameron

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT - LONG FORM
Presidential Libraries Museums & More 2/15/21
KPLR
Kimberly Young, Patrick Clark, Dave Sharp

Presidential Libraries Museums & More 7/30/20
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Justice Deferred
KANSAS CITY PBS
Nick Haines, Mark Stamm, Amanda Krenos, John McGrath, Matthew McClelland, Kevin Lambi

JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISE
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KSLA
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Investigations and Documentaries
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Aaron Dietrich

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KSHB
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KCTV
Nathan Vickers

Lights Camera And Exploding Penguins
KTVI
Wade Smith

5 On Your Side
KSDK
Abby Llorico

PROMOTION - NEWS - TOPICAL (SINGLE SPOT)
The I-70 Killer
KMOV
Brandon Bidwell, Heath A. Cary
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The People of John Boos
Once Films
Chris Ryan

A Vaccine for Christmas
Mercy Experience Studio & 90 Degrees West
Joe Kelly, Allan Smith, Amy White, Ryan Bax, Lucien Frick, Greg Harrison, Joel Anderson

A Farmer’s Journey
Coolfire Studios
Andrew Starr, Matt Beebe

Square One Brewery ‘Craft’
90 Degrees West
Pete Halliday, Brian Cummings, Scott Conger, Mark Bartels

Your Time Is Now: FPD CID
City Of Fayetteville - FGC
Douglas Bankston

Kingdom Short Presented by GEHA
Kansas City Chiefs
Dane Van Why, John Mathews, Luke Benna

BRANDED CONTENT - LONG FORM CONTENT

Weston: A Story of Hope
St. Louis Children’s Hospital
Matt Collins, Travis Ulmer, Jake Huber, Courtney Sanchez, Megan Perez

Kingdom Short Presented by GEHA: Training Camp
Kansas City Chiefs
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KTHV
J.D. Roberts

WHBF News at 5: Breasia Terrell’s Tragic End
WHBF
Jim Niedelman, Ann Sterling, Kelli Hoag, Pat Baldwin

KARK 10pm News: Protests in The Rock
KARK
Al Crater

KATV News at 5 – Storm Laura
KATV
Kaitlyn Levenson

ANCHOR - SPORTS

Chasing A Championship
KCTV
Dani Welniak

KSHB
Mick Shaffer

KSDK
Frank Cusumano

WDAF
Rob Collins

SPORTS STORY - NEWS

In a Masked-Up World, Deaf Cheerleader Doesn’t Miss a Beat
KATV
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Perfect Chemistry
KCTV
Nathan Vickers

Lesson in Sportsmanship
KSDK
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Matchup Made in Heaven
KTVI
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The WBA and Life Before the WNBA
KSHB
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Super Fan Celebrated Statewide
KARK
Nick Walters

SPORTS STORY - SHORT FORM

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Kansas City Chiefs
Dane Van Why, Luke Benna, John Mathews

Columbia Saints Baseball Heaven
HEC-TV
Kelly Maue, Peter Foggy

Story Behind Five Stars
KARK
Nick Walters

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Blues Live Pregame: 2021 Opening Night
BALLY SPORTS MIDWEST
Timothy Trokey, Larry Mago, Gavin Bodelll

Royals Pregame–Gordon’s Last Game
BALLY SPORTS Kansas City
Gavin Bodelll, Casey Carter, Larry Mago, Steve Kurtenbach

SPORTS PROGRAM - POST-PRODUCED OR EDITED

Hy-Vee Chiefs Insider: Prepare For Super Bowl LV
KC CHIEFS
John Mathews, Matt McMullen, Mitch Holthus, David Kelsey

Cardinals Countdown: Top 25 Regular Season Moments 2010
BALLY SPORTS MIDWEST
Timothy Trokey, Krystal Hall, Larry Mago, Bill Cochran

Relive the Championship
KSHB
Sean Hirshberg, Jacob Morgan

SPORTS – ONE-TIME SPECIAL

Kingdom Short: The Legion of Zoom
Kansas City Chiefs
Dane Van Why, Luke Benna

Columbia Saints Baseball Heaven
HEC-TV
Kelly Maue, Peter Foggy

Story Behind Five Stars
KARK
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Remembering Gibby
BALLY SPORTS MIDWEST
Allen Stout, Eduardo Bond, Chris Felt, Larry Mago, Bill Cochran

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BALLY SPORTS MIDWEST
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KSDK Mike Bush Tom Stasiak
Restoring a Ringer
KCTV
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God & Community at the County Fair
Spot Content Studio
Cecil Corbett, Patrick Schafer
One-on-One with Pastor John Lindell
KY3/KSPR
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PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM
A Living St. Louis Special: Kids, Race, and Racism
NINE PBS
Anne-Marie Berger, Brooke Butler
Housing & Eviction Series
KANSAS CITY PBS
Cody Boston, Vicky Diaz-Gamacho, Catherine Hoffman
Unity Through Uncertainty
Springdale District Television
Travis Sherman, Trent Jones
Crisis at Home: Teens, Isolation & Suicide
KTVI
Mandy Murphey, Alexander Schuster, Dave Sharp, Tauna Price

HEALTH/MEDICAL - NEWS
Changing your DNA
KMOV
Lauren Trager, Noah Brooks
Stella Goes Home for Holidays
KSDK Mike Bush, Tom Stasiak
Voices
KTVI
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St. Francis Foundation Hope Lives Here
Blue Coffee Pictures
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Birthing Battle | How Midwifery (Racially) Evolved
KANSAS CITY PBS
Catherine Hoffman

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KLRT
Donna Terrell
WWII German POW’s in Kansas
KMBC
Kris Ketze, Whitney Blake Tyler
Sedimental Value
KCTV
Nathan Vickers
Forgotten Left-Handed Legend Honored
KOMU
Emily Spain, Ryan Takeo

HISTORICAL/CULTURAL - SHORT FORMAT
Living St. Louis: The Switzer Story
NINE PBS
Kara Vaninger
Freedom Suits Memorial Statue
HEC-TV
Taunia Mason, Peter Foggy
Schankman’s St. Louis: St. Louis’ Santa Claus
HEC-TV
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Bass Reeves, Invincible Black Marshal
University of Arkansas
Larry Foley
The Harvey Girls
HEC-TV
Victoria Babu, Peter Foggy

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Kansas City Chiefs
Dane Van Why
AR Sports–Home of High School State Finals
ARKANSAS PBS
Greg Mobley
STL City SC/Purina/Cannonball "Here Comes The Home Team"
90 Degrees West
Travis Ulmer, Matt Collins, Jon Ryan, Pete Halliday, Derek Phillips, Scott Conger
KSHB 41 – Home of the Chiefs: Champs are Back
KSHB
Aaron Liversedge, Chris Allen, Sean Hirschberg

SPORTSCAST
Drive To 55 – Live From Tampa Bay
KCTV
Dani Welniak
Sportscast – 10 PM – 2/23/21
KSHB
Mick Shaffer

Small Town Hero, Big League Lesson: John Donaldson
KSHB
Dia Wall, Darrius Smith

Musial Awards 15th Anniversary
KSDK
Mike Bush, Bill Bennett, Scott Suppelsa, Tom Stasiak
Cardinals Insider Presents | Home: The Molina Story
St. Louis Cardinals
Brett McMillan, Jill Falk, Craig Wilson, Emily Stephens, PI Lee, Taka Yanagimoto, Stephen Matejka, Nora Farrell, Tyler Munie

Historical/Cultural - Short Format
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KMOV
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Surviving the Storm
KSHB
Gary Lezak, Jeff Penner, Hanna Sumpter

NEWS EXCELLENCE
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Matthew Waggoner

KSDK
Carol Fowler

KMBC
Dan O’Donnell

OVERALL EXCELLENCE
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Kathleen Choal

LIVE NEWS PRODUCER

KMBC
Ciera Lundgren

KMBC
Cara Doyle Wright

Run It Back KC
WDAF
Kelsey Williamson

WEATHER - NEWS

People Braving Frigid Temperatures Help Others
KSHB
Giovanni Garcia

Correcting the Record Books
KTVI
Chris Higgins, Brian Ledford

OUR GRATITUDE & EXTRA APPLAUSE TO:

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YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE. YOU ARE THE BEST.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATAS MID-AMERICA, GALA ASSOCIATE PRODUCER

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V-9 STUDIO

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THOUSAND HILLS VACATION

GRAND COUNTRY RESORT

SILVER DOLLAR CITY