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Category #1 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Spot News (Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Directors, and Assignment Editors)

- **Sikh Temple Shooting:** Mike Anderson, Colleen Henry, Christina Palladino, Kent Wainscott, Shelby Croft, Reporters; Renee Raffaelli, Managing Editor; Yve Jones, Assignment Editor; Jessica Schmid, Executive Producer; Eric Marshall, Paula Vansack, Producers; Jennifer Fritz, Field Producer; Julie Stay, Assignment Desk; Kathy Mykleby, Terry Sater, Anchors; Cary Edwards, Bob Palmer, John Lazarevic, Saman Wanniarachchi, Norm Hunnicutt, Blaine Hackbarth, Photographers; Sam Cundari, Editor. **WISN**

Category #2 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Single Investigative Story and Series
(Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Backward or Skyward? (Parts 1 and 2):** Michael Lowe, Reporter; Tim Viste, Jerry Imig, Susanne Barthel, Producers. **WITI**

Category #3-a Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Serious News (Hard) Single Feature
(Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **High Risk Rent:** Brad Hicks, Reporter/Producer; Jerry Imig, Dave Michuda, Producers. **WITI**

Category #3-b Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Serious News (Hard) Series (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Medical Malpractice:** Gladys Valerio, Reporter/Producer; Marisol Seda, Executive Producer. **WGBO**
- **Protect and Served?:** Lisa Capitanini, Katy Smyser, Producers; Richard Moy, Patrick Rehkamp, Co-Producers; Phil Rogers, Reporter. **WMAQ**

Category #3-c Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Light News (Soft News) Single Feature/Series
(Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **First Grade Crush:** Jon Reidy, Producer; Ted Perry, Reporter. **WITI**

Category #4-a Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series - Arts/Culture/ Entertainment
(Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **A Legion of Followers:** Michael Lowe, Reporter; Andrew Konkle, Producer. **WITI**

Category #4-b Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series - Business/Consumer (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **The Menace Returns:** Bryan Polcyn, Reporter; Jerry Imig, Stephen Davis, Jeffrey Frings, Dave Michuda, Susanne Barthel, Producers. **WITI**
- **Student Loan Debt Crisis:** Jessica Fernandez, Producer; Erika Maldonado, Reporter. **WGBO**

Category #4-c Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Crime (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Defiant Drivers:** Brad Hicks, Reporter/Producer; Jerry Imig, Dave Michuda, Andrew Konkle, Tim Viste, Producers. **WITI**

Category #4-d Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series - Education/Schools (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Who's Behind The Wheel?:** Lisa Capitanini, Katy Smyser, Producers; Zachariah Christman, Mark Ringo, Co-Producers; Phil Rogers, Reporter. **WMAQ**

Category #4-e Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Environment (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **DePue: Apariencia Que Mata:** Mariano Gielis, Reporter; Marisol Seda, Luz Garcia, Producers. **WGBO**
- **Target 2: Mining Bill Impact:** Matt Smith, Reporter; Will Sentowski, Producer. **WBAY**

Category #4-f Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Health/Science (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Hoping for Time:** Jeremy Ross, Reporter; Nick Moron, Producer. **WITI**

Category #4-g Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Human Interest (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Helping Hands:** Julie Unruh, Reporter; Mike D'Angelo, Producer. **WGN**

Category #4-h Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series - Politics/Government (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **The Plane Truth:** Lisa Capitanini, Katy Smyser, Producers; Richard Moy, Mark Ringo, Co-Producers; Dick Johnson, Reporter. **WMAQ**

Category #4-i Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series - Religion (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Faith on the Fault Line:** Michael Lowe, Reporter; Tim Viste, Producer. **WITI**

Category #4-j Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series - Weather (Award to the Reporter/Producer/Meteorologist)

- **Moore, Oklahoma EF5 Tornado Coverage:** Brian Gotter, Reporter; Jeff Janca, Producer. **WTMJ**

Category #4-k Outstanding Achievement for Specialty Assignment Report - Feature or Series (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Crosswalks, Work Zones and I-Pass: Is Anyone Following the Rules?:** Lisa Capitanini, Katy Smyser, Producers; Richard Moy, Mark Ringo, Ron Zachara, Co-Producers; Dick Johnson, Reporter. **WMAQ**

Category #5-a Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs - News Single Story/Feature (Award to the Producer/Reporter)

- **Jimmy Butler: The Long, Winding Road:** Sarah Lauch, Michael John Cappozzo, William Parker, Brett Fisher, Producers; Luke Stuckmeyer, Reporter. **Comcast SportsNet Chicago**

Category #5-b Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs - Program Feature/Segment (Award to the Producer/Reporter)

- **Milwaukee Brewers Game Day Experience:** Amy Johnson, Producer. **Captivate Digital Cinema**

Category #5-c Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs - Program Series (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **A Piece of the Game:** Don DuPree, Jamie Liska, John Kommenich, Mike Waterkotte, Bob Hercules, Rob Steinmetz, Jan Muller, Producers. **DuPree Productions**

Category #5-d Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – One Time Special (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **From the Sports World to the Third World: A Journey to Cambodia:** Sarah Lauch, Justin O'Neil, Matt Zickus, Aaron Stoeckel, Producers; Chuck Garfien, Reporter. **Comcast SportsNet Chicago**

Category #5-e Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs - Sporting Event/Game - Live/Unedited Program/Special (Award to the Producer/Reporter/Host)

- **Bulls Playoffs GM 4 vs Brooklyn on CSN:** Jim Corno, Jr., Executive Producer; John Walsh, Nick Marchetta, Producers; Tamra Anderson, Associate Producer; Neil Funk, Play-by-Play Announcer; Stacey King, Analyst; Mark Harper, Technical Producer. **Comcast SportsNet Chicago**

Category #6-a Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Cultural (Award to Producer)

- **Colorblind: Rethinking Race:** Barbara Allen, Producer; Shelley Spencer, Supervising Producer; Gail F. Baker, Judith McCray, Toni Reed, Segment Producers; Paul Buckner, Executive Producer; Evan Allen-Gessesse, Keisha Chavers, Wendi Hill, Raymond Thomas, Associate Producers. **Middle Passage Productions, Inc.**

Category #6-b Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Historical (Award to Producer)

- **Skokie: Invaded But Not Conquered:** Todd Whitman, Producer; Richard Hirschhaut, Co-Executive Producer. **WTTW/Skokie Productions**

Category #6-c Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Topical (Award to Producer)

- **Pope Francis: A New Beginning:** Dina Bair, Katharin Czink, Mike D'Angelo, Steve Scheuer, Producers. **WGN**

Category #7 Outstanding Achievement for Informational/Instructional Programming - Program/Special/Series/Feature/Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Light & Shadow:** Steve Weiss, Jens Bogehegn, Scott Lynch, Producers. **Zacuto Films**

Category #8 Outstanding Achievement for Interview/Discussion Programming - Program/Special/Series/Feature/Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Windy City LIVE! Violence Special:** Marlaine Selip, Executive Producer; Cindy Patrosso, Supervising Producer; Hank Mendheim, Senior Producer; Mary Hynes, Daniel Barbossa, David Plummer, Emerald-Jane Hunter, Producers; Valerie Warner, Ryan Chiaverini, Hosts; Matt Knutson, Line Producer; Dawn Watkins, Jessie Kalin, Lynne Wisnefski, Associate Producers; Ji Suk Yi, Jared Hoffa, Reporters. **WLS**

Category #9 Outstanding Achievement for Magazine Programming - Program/Special/Series/Feature/Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Around the Corner with John McGivern:** Lois Maurer, Producer; John McGivern, Producer/Host; John Gurda, Host; Deidre Martin, Content Producer; Raul Galvan, Executive Producer; Susanne Barthel, Gail Grzybowski, Diane R. Martin, Justin Migliano, Jason Pinkowski, Duane Rodriguez, Co-Producers. **WMVS**

Category #10-a Outstanding Achievement for Public Affairs/Current Affairs Programming - Program/Special (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Swing State Wisconsin:** David Douglas, Brian Mesmer, Jessica Omdahl, Jeremy Nichols, Producers; Susan Siman, Eric Franke, Jessica Arp, Hosts. **WISC**

Category #10-b Outstanding Achievement for Public Affairs/Current Affairs Programming - Series (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **One in Five:** Mona Hennein, Producer; Daniel Meyer, Host; Paul Bieschke, Nick Alyinovich, Marilyn Heisler, Co-Producers; Angie Russell, Associate Producer. **Life Focus Communications**
- **Adelante!:** Patricia Gómez, Producer; Sitora Takanaev, Field Producer; Raul Galvan, Executive Producer; Glenn Riley, Linda Murphy, Jose Lozano, Duane Rodriguez, Justin Migliano, John Larscheid, Michael James Garvin, Damir Braovac, Chris Michalski, Karl Landwehr, Thay Yang, Salvador Gomez, Johnny Muñoz, Gail G. Grzybowski, Natalie Alamo, Joseph Sankey, Co-Producers. **WMVS**

Category #10-c Outstanding Achievement for Public Affairs/Current Affairs Programming – Feature/Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Sons of Israel Synagogue:** Louis Pierce, Producer. **Big Idea Company**

Category #11-a Outstanding Achievement for Special Event Coverage – Live (other than News or Sports) (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **NBC 5 Presents: The 2013 Chicago Auto Show:** Carol Cooling, Matt Piacente, Executive Producers; Geoff Glick, Producer; Edward Mann, Patrick Lake, Tony Vitale, Janet Golden, Trisha Hockings, Allison Ebert, Chuck Bennette, Jessica Kelly, Lici Lytle, Bridget Minogue, Andrew Greiner, Dave Sloan, Jennifer Morand, Carey Pinkowski, Mike Nishi, Co-Producers; Brant Miller, Host/Reporter; LeeAnn Trotter, Charlie Wojciechowski, Art Norman, Alicia Roman, Marcus Riley, Cheryl Scott, Kye Martin, Carol Marin, Reporters. **WMAQ**

Category #11-b Outstanding Achievement for Special Event Coverage – Edited (other than News or Sports) (Award to Producer/Host/ Reporter)

- **Telemundo Chicago Autoshow 2013:** Maria Elena Ponticiello, Imelda Valencia, Mario Bernal, Carmen Vega, Elda Duran, Daniel Lechuga, Producers; Pablo Alfaro, Executive Producer; Lilyana Frago, Veronica Cruz, Karina Cruz, Berenice Guzman, Reporters. **WSNS**
- **The Chicago Restaurant Pastry Competition, Season Two:** Nicolas DeGrazia, Daniel Kullman, Producers; Julie MacMillan, Jimmy MacMillan, Executive Producers. **JMPurePastry and Bitter Jester Creative**

Category #12-a Outstanding Achievement for Arts/Entertainment Programming - Program/Special/ Series

(Award to the Producer/Host/Performer)

- **Chicago Symphony Orchestra 2013 Youth in Music Festival:** Samantha Sanders, John Farbrother, Producers. **Green River Films**

Category #12-b Outstanding Achievement for Arts/Entertainment Programming – Feature/Segment (Award

to the Producer/Host/Performer)

- **Kinnikinnick Farm:** Adam Moorman, Patrick Barkley, Adam Henry Garcia, Producers; Ali Fedotowsky, Host. **WMAQ/LXTV**

Category #13 Outstanding Achievement for Children/Youth/Teen Programming - Program/Special/Series

(Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Into the Outdoors:** Lisa Rose, Mark Rose, Executive Producers; Dan Bertalan, Producer; Caroline Smith, Josh Busher, Emma Guld, Jacob Connor, Hosts. **Discover Mediaworks, Inc.**

Category #14 Outstanding Achievement for Human Interest Programming - Program/Special/

Series/Feature/Segment (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Growing Up Strong: Girls on the Run:** Sarah Moshman, Dana Michelle Cook, Producers. **Girls on the Run/Heartfelt Productions**

Category #15 Outstanding Achievement for Interstitials (Award to Producer)

- **Food on the Go!:** Louanne Fries, Supervising Producer; Ricardo Islas, Senior Producer; Mina Adibpour, Megan Etlinger, Eryn Walanka, Associate Producers; Greg King, Field Producer. **WYCC PBS Chicago**

Category #16 Outstanding Achievement for Community/Public Service (PSAs) - Single Spot/Campaign

(Award to Producer)

- **A Better Way:** Louis Pierce, Producer. **Big Idea Company**
- **100 Club: First Responders:** Joe Ahern, Morgan Bradley, Jeffrey DeChause, Tom Dreesen, Kendall Fash, Mark Mitten, Jim Schmidt, Joseph Stuart, Producers. **Downtown Partners Chicago/Mitten, Inc.**

Category #17-a Outstanding Achievement for News Promo Single Spot/Campaign (Award to the Producer)

- **"The World of Chicago" Station Image Campaign:** Ryan Perri, William Craig, Jay Wadhwa, Producers. **WMAQ**
- **News Sweeps Campaign:** Jaime Elizalde, Helena Boyd, Producers. **WGBO**

Category #17-b Outstanding Achievement for Program Promotion Single Spot/Campaign (non-news)

(Award to the Producer)

- **2013 Crosstown Cup Week:** Ryan Johnson, Andrew Lennie, Thomas Vodick, Producers. **WGN**

Category #18-a Outstanding Achievement for Commercials - Single Spot (Award to the Producer)

- **Brand Anthem:** Tracy Singian, Christian Robins, Producers. **Wilson Sporting Goods Co./Bridges Media**

Category #18-b Outstanding Achievement for Commercials - Campaign (Award to the Producer)

- **Milwaukee Brewers 2013 Commercial Campaign:** Amy Johnson, Producer. **Captivate Digital Cinema**

Category #19 Outstanding Achievement for Interactivity

- **World's First Digital Wedding:** Barry Krause, Executive Producer; Tammy Brody, Producer; Judy Faulkner Krause, Writer/Director; Ken Hale, Technical Director; Meredith Juszcak, Associate Producer; Adam Biedermann, Edit Supervisor; TJ Martin, Audio. **Suite the LiveLab Company**

Category #20-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - News Anchor

- **Brad Hicks** - Composite. **WITI**

Category #20-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Weather Anchor

- **Tammie Souza** - Composite. **WFLD**

Category #20-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Sports Anchor/Reporter/ Play by Play

- **Pat Boyle** - Composite. **Comcast SportsNet Chicago**
- **Oscar Guzman** - Composite. **WSNS**

Category #20-d Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - General Assignment Reporter

- **Michael Lowe** - Composite. **WITI**

Category #20-e Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent: Reporter - Traffic/Transportation

- **Roz Varon** - Composite. **WLS**

Category #20-f Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent: News Reporter -Features/Human Interest

- **Michael Lowe** - Composite. **WITI**

Category #20-g Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent: News Reporter - Specialty Assignment

- **Brad Hicks** - 24 Hours in Boston. **WITI**

Category #20-h Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - Program Host/Moderator

- **Maria Elena Ponticiello** - Acceso Total. **WSNS**
- **Brittney Payton** - Chicago's Best. **Oak Brook Productions**
- **Ryan Chiaverini** - Windy City LIVE! **WLS**

Category #20-i Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Program Contributor/Performer/ Narrator

- **Mark DeCarlo** - Windy City LIVE! **WLS**

Category #21 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air - Graphics Arts/Animation/Art Direction/Set Design

- **Jason Benjamin** - Composite. **WMAQ**

Category #22 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Technical Achievement

- **Josh Kahn, Chris Ramirez** - Carol of the Bulls. **Chicago Bulls**

Category #23 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Director – Live/Live-to-Tape/Post-Production

- Steve Weiss - Light & Shadow. Zacuto Films

Category #24-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Editor - News

- Tony Vitale, Courtney Copenhagen - 2012 Year In Review. WMAQ
- Zachariah Christman – Composite. WMAQ

Category #24-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Editor - Program (non-news)

- Jordan Arseneau - Composite. Oak Brook Productions

Category #24-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Editor – Sports

- Aaron Nowakowski, Todd Hackl, Matthew V. Leslie, Michael Thoroe - ALL IN Naperville North Huskies. Comcast

Category #24-d Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Editor - Promotions/PSAs/Commercials

- Ryan Perri - Composite. WMAQ
- Andres Lombana - Pepsi Billboard Chicago. Mas Communications - Chicago
- Christian Robins - Innovation Center 60. Bridges Media

Category #25-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Photographer - News

- Nick Moron - Composite. WITI

Category #25-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Photographer - Program (non-news)

- Josh Kahn, Chris Ramirez - Carol of the Bulls. Chicago Bulls

Category #26 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air - Video Journalist

- Ted Land - Ted's Two-Legged Stories: A Compilation of Solo Video Journalism. WSBT

Category #27 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air - Musical Composition/Arrangement

- Eric Jasper - Skokie: Invaded But Not Conquered. WTTW/Skokie Productions

Category #28-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Writer - News

- Michael Lowe - Holy War. WITI

Category #28-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Writer – Program (non-news)

- William Ball, Jodie Hopps, Wendy Ball - Jaipur/Udaipur. Last Nerve Productions

Category #28-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air: Writer – Short Form (Promos, PSAs, Commercials)

- William Craig - 10PM and Morning News Campaigns. WMAQ