2019-2020
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WIPFLI
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Category #1-a Outstanding Achievement for News Programming – Evening Newscast: Larger Markets (1-50)
(Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)
- 10pm Newscast 5/28/2020: Cheryl Burton, Anchor; Alan Krashesky, Anchor; Doug Whitmire, Executive Producer; Mike Johnson, Alexandria Jud, Producers; Cate Cauquiran, Rob Elgas, Mark Giangreco, Eric Horng, Liz Nagy, Cheryl Scott, Reporters; Alyson Koch, Gregg Koch, Directors; Ann Marie Esp, Casey Klaus, Mike O’Reilley, Deshaun Simpson, Editors; Kay Cesinger, Tom Greve, Writers; Laura Arroyo, Associate Producer; Josh Bryant, Olivia Estrada, Eric Siegel, Assignment Editors; Damon Carlino, Jeff Freeman, Patti Helmstetter, Mark Nordby, Dwight Payne, Derrick Robinson, Photographers. WLS

Category #1-b Outstanding Achievement for News Programming – Evening Newscast: Smaller Markets (51+)
(Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)
- Molson-Coors Shooting - WKOW 27 News at 10: Ed Reams, Executive Producer; Evan Bolin, Roderick Curry, Robert Newell, Producers; Rob Fick, Director; Amber Nogol, George Smith, Anchors; A.J. Baytaypour, Andrew Merica, Reporters; John Zeigler, Meteorologist; Allan Karis, Editor; Matt Cash, Executive Producer. WKOW

Category #2-a Outstanding Achievement for News Programming – Morning Newscast: Larger Markets (1-50)
(Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)
- A Little Something for Everyone: Dean Richards, Anchor; Aline Cox, Executive Producer; Paul Konrad, Meteorologist; Robin Baumgarten, Marcus Leslock, Larry Potash, Pat Tomasulo, Anchors; Nick Boyan, Ross McBee, Natalie Skryd, Producers; Andrew Zuick, Assignment Desk Editor; Ana Belaval, Courtney Gousman, Sarah Jindra, Reporters; Jeff Hoover, Segment Producer; Lisa Augello, Christine Tarver, Directors; Cris Allen, Jason Colon, Jay Congdon, Karen Hendren, Jason Krug, Writers. WGN

Category #2-b Outstanding Achievement for News Programming – Newscast: Smaller Markets (51+)
(Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)
- NBC15 Morning Show: Jeremy Nichols, Producer; Tim Elliott, Brittney Ermon, Lindsay Frommer, Curt Lenz, James Parish, Taylor Pomasl, Allie Purser, Jason Rice, Elise Romas, Katie Rousonelos, Gabriella Rusk, Producers; Seth Rabin, Andre Wherle, Directors. WMTV

Category #3 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Spot News
(Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)
- Chicago Unrest: Lauren Stauffer, Producer; Christian Farr, Phil Rogers, Lexi Sutter, Reporters; Ava Kelley, Assignment Editor; Nathan Halder, Sean O’Connor, Photographers; Tracy Davis, Rob Gordon, Paul Henderson, Matt Stefanski, Lorraine Taylor, Producers; Kiana Battle, Director. WMAQ

Category #4-a Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Investigative Single Story
(Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Handcuffed Naked: The Anjanette Young Story: Dave Savini, Producer; Samah Assad, Michele Youngerman, Producers. WBBM

Category #4-b Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Investigative Series
(Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Unwarranted: Dave Savini, Reporter; Samah Assad, Michele Youngerman, Producers; Michael Klingele, DeAndra Taylor, Scott Wilson, Co-Producers. WBBM
- COVID-19: Before & After Deaths/antes Y Despues de Muerte: Hilda Gutiérrez, Reporter/Producer; Carolina Cruz, Raul Quiñones, Producers. WSNS
Category #5-a Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Serious News (Hard) Feature (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Draft of Darkness: JoAnn Cunningham: Brad Edwards, Reporter; Cheryl Cook, Michael Klingele, Marda Le Beau, Kayla Molander, Reed Nolan, Alfredo Roman, Timothy Viste, Scott Wilson, Producers. WBBM

Category #5-b Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Serious News (Hard) Series (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Getting Hosed: The Vet. vs. The Water Dept.: Brad Edwards, Reporter; Daniel Kraemer, Reed Nolan, DeAndra Taylor, Paige Tortorelli, Producers. WBBM

Category #5-c Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Light News Feature/Series (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Madison Girl Drinks Miracle Cancer 'Cure' Drink: Kathryn Larson, Reporter. Spectrum News1 Wisconsin

Category #6-a Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Arts/Culture/Entertainment (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Hamilton Star's Family Fight: Tania Babich, Reporter; Jason Brasser, Lauro Lopez, Producers. WLS

Category #6-b Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Business/Consumer (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Optical Delusion: Bryan Polcyn, Reporter; Stephen Davis, Jeffrey Frings, Jerry Imig, Tim Primeau, Producers. WITI

Category #6-c Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Crime (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Getting Away With Murder: Andrew Schroedter, Producer; Ben Bradley, Reporter; Kevin Doellman, Producer. WGN

Category #6-d Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Education/Schools (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- College at 14: Carole Meekins, Reporter; Jeff Morris, Mark Was, Mark Wirtz, Co-Producers. WTMJ

Category #6-e Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Environment (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Smokescreens?/Cortinas de humo?: Hilda Gutiérrez, Reporter/Producer; Luis Figueroa, Martin Nutley, Raul Quiñones, Co-Producers. WSNS/WMAQ
- Troubled Waters: Amy DuPont, Reporter; David McAlister, Producer. WITI

Category #6-f Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Health/Science (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Am I Really That Sick?: Andrew Konkle, Producer; Carl Deffenbaugh, Reporter; Sara Smith, Producer. WITI

Category #6-g Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Human Interest (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Finding Family: Ted Perry, Reporter; Jerry Imig, Sara Smith, Producers. WITI

Category #6-h Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Politics/Government (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- The Governor's Emails: Amanda St. Hilaire, Reporter; Jerry Imig, Andrew Konkle, Tim Primeau, LeeAnn Watson, Producers. WITI
Category #6-i Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Military (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- The Scar Spangled Banner: Michael Lowe, Reporter; Mike D’Angelo, Chris Neale, Brad Piper, Sandy Pudar, Producers. WGN

Category #6-j Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Religion (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Father Smyth: Minister or Monster: Brad Edwards, Reporter; Dan Kraemer, Kayla Molander, Reed Nolan, Tim Viste, Producers. WBBM

Category #6-k Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Sports (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Fittest Seated Man on Earth: Stephen Watson, Reporter. WISN

Category #6-l Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Weather (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Weather Wise: Kyle Yonkers, Producer: Alex Kirchner, Reporter; Robert Burke, Kurtis Lawler, Producers. WREX

Category #6-m Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Societal Concerns (Award to the Reporter/Producer)
- Lives on the Line: Josh Morgan, Executive Producer: Audrey Moon, Executive Producer; Kristin Crowley, Evan Leake, James Stratton, Mary Sugden, Taylor Utzig, Reporters; Andy Carrigan, Peter Gungel, Ben Hundt, Nick Landi, Kurtis Lawler, Breane Lyga, Kyle Yonkers, Producers. WREX
- Wiser Than Their Years In Some of the Most Dangerous Ways: Irika Sargent, Reporter; Reed Nolan, Alfredo Roman, DeAndra Taylor, Carol Thompson, Robert Thompson, Tim Viste, Producers. WBBM

Category #7-a Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – Program Feature/Segment (Award to the Producer/Reporter)

Category #7-b Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – Program Series - Live (Award to the Producer/Reporter)

Category #7-c Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – Program Series - Post-Produced or Edited (Award to the Producer/Reporter)
- Cubs 162: Matt Romito, Executive Producer: Mike McCarthy, Mike Santini, Executive Producers; Drew Clark, Shane English, Kelly King, Shane Magwire, Jim Oboikowitch, Samuel Peltz, Chris Simonson, Corey Surratt, Chris Zacarias, Producers. Cubs Productions/Marquee Sports Network

Category #7-d Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – One Time Special (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)
Category #7-e Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs - Sporting Event/Game - Live/Unedited Program/Special (Award to the Producer/Reporter/Host)
- Bucks-Lakers Showdown: Tony P. Tortorici, Producer; Daniel Kuehner, John Walsh, Producers; Marques Johnson, Jim Paschke, Hosts; Zora Stephenson, Reporter. **Fox Sports Wisconsin**

Category #7-f Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – Interview/Discussion Programming (Award to the Producer/Reporter/Host)
- Cubs Hall of Fame Roundtable: Matt Romito, Executive Producer; William Armistead, Drew Clark, Jessica Conquest, Pat Gostele, Alex Hocking, Matea Losenegger, Jim Oboikowitch, Samuel Peltz, Adam Sobel, Corey Surratt, Chris Zacarias, Producers. **Banner/Cubs Productions**

Category #7-g Outstanding Achievement for Sports Programs – Documentary (Award to Producer)
- As Fast as Her: Eric Lear, Producer; Spencer Wehde, Producer; Adam Kempenaar, Executive Producer. **Banner/Chicago Blackhawks**

Category #8-a Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs – Cultural (Award to Producer)
- Chicago at the Crossroad: Brian Schodorf, Executive Producer; Afrika Porter, Malik Yusef, Executive Producers; Rahman Ayi, Malachi Gross, Ryan Kolegas, Victor Maggio, Linda Mensch, Burundi Partlow, Nathan Weber, Producers; Alisa Inez, Associate Producer; Phil Jackson, Debra Wesley, Co-Producers. **Schodorf Media**

Category #8-b Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Historical (Award to Producer)
- Eastland: Chicago's Deadliest Day: Harvey Moshman, Executive Producer; Chuck Coppola, Executive Producer. **Moshman Productions**

Category #8-c Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Topical (Award to Producer)
- Love. Honor. Betrayal: Kyle Fobe, Producer; Eric Bellinger, Brian Conybeare, Heather Ferrell, Nishan Giimet, Todd Madding, Producers. **WBND**

Category #9 Outstanding Achievement for Informational/Instructional Programming - Program/Special/ Series/Feature/Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- Kindness in the Classroom: Ryan Hendricks, Producer; Megan Monday, Executive Producer. **PBS Wisconsin**

Category #10 Outstanding Achievement for Interview/Discussion Programming - Program/Special/ Series/Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- Talk a Blues Streak: Hector Perez, Producer; Richard Shurman, Host; Charlie Celenza, Bennett Grossman, Linda Melazzo, Daniel Perez, Billy Prewitt, Producers. **Rocket Productions, Inc**

Category #11-a Outstanding Achievement for Magazine Programming - Program/Special/ Series (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- Backstory with Larry Potash: Larry Potash, Reporter; Mike D’Angelo, Producer. **WGN**

Category #11-b Outstanding Achievement for Magazine Programming – Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- Everyday Heroes - No Greater Love: Rob Kaczmark, Producer; Carl Anderson, John Castillo, Maria Castillo, Daniel Gebert, Greg Krajewski, David Naglieri, Rachael Nielson, Producers. **Spirit Juice Studios**
Category #12-a Outstanding Achievement for Public/Current/Community Affairs Programming – Program/Special (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **Firsthand: Coronavirus**: Pat Odom, Producer; Anne Gleason, Dan Protes, Executive Producers; Jessica Martinaitis, Associate Producer. **WTW**

Category #12-b Outstanding Achievement for Public/Current/Community Affairs Programming – Series (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **Orgullo 2020**: Iván García, Producer; Aleksander Banchs, Michael Bania, Ahimme Cazarez, Jovanny Evans, Diego Guirado, Alessandra Martin, Jacqueline Núñez, Fabian Ramirez, Producers. **WGO**

Category #12-c Outstanding Achievement for Public/Current/Community Affairs Programming – Segment (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **2020 Illinois Teacher of the Year – Eric Combs**: Steven Walsh, Producer; Rumen Andonov, Bridget Shanahan, Producers. **Lucid Creative Agency**

Category #13 Outstanding Achievement for Special Event Coverage – Live/Edited (other than News or Sports) (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **Countdown Chicago 2020**: Mary Hynes Fournier, Producer; Matt Knutson, Executive Producer; Hank Mendheim, Senior Producer; Cathleen Karp, Coordinating Producer; Terrell Brown, Host/Producer; Ryan Chiaverini, Janet Davies, Mark Giangreco, Liz Nagy, Hosea Sanders, Cheryl Scott, Val Warner, Hosts; Jordan Arsenneau, Alma Garcia Bello, Anthony Conway, Andrea Dres, Mike Janowski, Jina Mackin, Martina Platanias, Justyna Syska, Dawn Watkins, Producers; Stephanie Drucker, Rachel Pellegrino, Associate Producers. **WLS**

Category #14-a Outstanding Achievement for Arts/Entertainment Programming – Program/Special/Series (Award to the Producer/Host/Performer)
- **The Light**: Zhalarina Sanders, Producer; Jake Penner, Producer; James Donovan, Rodney Lambright, Beauxregard Neylon, Callin Short, Ryan Ward, Co-Producers; Trevor Keller, Managing Producer; Laurie Gorman, Executive Producer. **PBS Wisconsin**

Category #14-b Outstanding Achievement for Arts/Entertainment Programming – Segment (Award to the Producer/Host/Performer)
- **Arts/Industry: Talia Mukmel**: Robert Dumville, Producer; Beth Bretl, Camm Rowland, Producers; Tasha Peterson, Senior Producer; Tom Kermgard, Executive Producer. **Kohler Company**

Category #15 Outstanding Achievement for Children/Youth/Teen Programming – Program/Special/Series (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **Adventures of Em**: Ross Gerbasi, Executive Producer; Red Clark, Executive Producer; Jennifer Beese, Alex Cliff, Co-Producers; Deborah Gerbasi, Rebekah Lieto, Supervising Producers. **Project Adventure, Inc**

Category #16 Outstanding Achievement for Human Interest Programming – Program/Special/Series/Segment (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **Saving Migrant Lives in the Arizona Desert**: Javi Zubizarreta, Senior Producer; Michael Burke, Josh Long, Producers. **Grotto Network**

Category #17 Outstanding Achievement for Lifestyle Programming – Program/Special/Series/Segment (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)
- **Living Healthy Chicago**: Melissa Kula, Producer; John Paul Biciunas, Greg Larson, Stephen Nitz, Producers; Jackie Bender, Jane Monzures, Hosts. **WGN Studio Productions**
Category #18 Outstanding Achievement for Community/Public Service (PSAs) - Single Spot/Campaign (Award to Producer)
  • #StayHomeChicago Coronavirus PSA Campaign: Jason Polevoi, Producer; Ryan Duke, Producer. One City Films

Category #19-a Outstanding Achievement for News Promo Single Spot/Campaign (Award to the Producer)
  • Anatomy: Cornelius Mack, Producer; David Johnson, Sarah Urquhart, Producers. WBBM

Category #19-b Outstanding Achievement for Programming Promos (Non-News) Single Spot/Campaign (Award to the Producer)
  • Chicago at the Crossroad Promo: Brian Schodorf, Producer; Chris Dewinter, Michael Ledajaks, Victor Maggio, Ashley Nath, Chris Palese, Producers. Schodorf Media & October TV

Category #20-a Outstanding Achievement for Commercials – Single Spot (Award to the Producer)
  • Team Jasmin: Scott Marvel, Producer; Michael Gabriele, Producer. Daily Planet Productions

Category #20-b Outstanding Achievement for Commercials – Campaign (Award to the Producer)
  • Willson Contreras 2019 Campaign: Bill Connors, Executive Producer; Rebecca Cianci, John Crowley, Chris Smith, Executive Producers; Aaron Nowakowski, Producer, John Jackowiak, Keith Kilcoyne, Artem Okulik, Justin Thompson, Associate Producers. Comcast

Category #21-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - News Anchor
  • Terrell Brown - Composite. WLS

Category #21-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - Weather Anchor
  • Jon Hansen – The Jam. WCIU

Category #21-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - Sports Anchor/Reporter/Play-by-Play
  • Brian Anderson - Composite. Fox Sports Wisconsin

Category #21-d Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Program Host/Moderator
  • Alex Hernández - Morning Vibe. WGBO
  • John McGivern - Composite. WMVS
  • Elliott Bambrough - Chicago’s Best Composite. WGN Studio Productions

Category #21-e Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Program Narrator/Performer

NO NOMINEES/NO RECIPIENTS

Category #21-f Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – General Assignment Reporter
  • Jeremy Ross - Composite. WBBM

Category #21-g Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Investigative Reporter
  • Amanda St. Hilaire - Composite. WITI

Category #21-h Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Traffic/ Transportation Reporter
  • Lauren Victory - The Riding Risk. WBBM
Category #22 Outstanding Crafts Achievement for Graphics Arts/Animatxion/Art Direction/Set Design
  • Sarah Urquhart, David Johnson, Julia Dourgarian - CBS Chicago Image Composite. WBBM

Category #23 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Audio
  • Sam Fishkin, Andrew Twiss, Steve Rashid - Eastland: Chicago's Deadliest Day. Mix Kitchen

Category #24 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Lighting
  • Rob Kaczmark, William Hudson, Danielle Conklin, Branden J. Stanley, Daniel Gebert - Who is the Priest? Spirit Juice Studios

Category #25 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Directing
  • Brian Schodorf - Chicago at the Crossroad. Schodorf Media
  • Iván Garcia, Alessandra Martin - Orgullo. WGBO

Category #26-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editing - News
  • Tim Viste - Composite. WBBM

Category #26-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editing - Program (Non-News)
  • Alma Garcia Bello - Word on the Street. WLS

Category #26-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editing - Promotions/PSAs/ Commercials
  • Cody Baker - Composite. Fighting Irish Media

Category #27-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Photography - News
  • Jerry Imig - Composite. WITI

Category #27-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Photography – Program (Non-News)
  • Ryan Kolegas, Brian Schodorf, Nathan Weber, Jeremiah Hammerling, Victor Maggio - Chicago at the Crossroad. Schodorf Media

Category #28-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Writing - News
  • Michael Lowe - Composite. WGN

Category #28-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Writing - Program (Non-News)
  • Brian Schodorf - Chicago at the Crossroad. Schodorf Media

Category #28-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Writing - Short Form (Promos, PSAs, Commercials, etc.)
  • Jason Polevoi, Ryan Duke - #StayHomeChicago Coronavirus PSA Campaign. One City Films