

2020-2021 Chicago/Midwest Emmy® Winners List



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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 4/15/2021:** Doug Whitmire, Executive Producer; Alexandria Jud, Ross Weidner, Producers; Cheryl Burton, Alan Krashesky, Anchors; Stacey Baca, Chuck Goudie, Evelyn Holmes, Liz Nagy, Reporters; Jason Brassler, Editor; Alyson Koch, Director; Damon Carlino, Rodney Correll, Jeff Freeman, Patty Helmstetter, Derrick Robinson, Mark Urban, Photographers; Eric Siegel, Assignment Editor. **WLS**
- **Noticiero Telemundo Chicago 10pm January 6, 2021:** Milton Baca, Producer; Alfonso Gutiérrez, Anabel Monge, Anchors; Raul Delgado, Hernan Fratto, Reporters; Javier Pacheco, Director; Maria Herrera-Atkinson, Ricardo Vento, Editors; Casey Mitchell, Francisco Morales, William Rojas, Photographers; Maria Cornejo, Marimar Gutierrez, Assignment Desk Editors. **WSNS**

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)

- **Protests in Downtown Madison: 27 News at 5:** Danielle Maxwell Zerebny, Producer; Caroline Bach, Producer; Jennifer Kliese, Amber Noggle, Anchors; Francisco Almenara, A.J. Bayatpour, Lance Veaser, Reporters; Rob Fick, Director; Matt Cash, Senior 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)

- **Unrest in Chicago: Overnight Looting:** Scott Doll, Executive Producer; Shelby Bremer, Carla Kariott, Elizabeth Miller, Amber Tweedie, Producers; Annie Davis, Ivanna Hampton, Shannon Hayden, Writers, Alex Maragos, Lauren Petty, Anchors; Susan Carlson, Lisa Chavarria, Mike Lorber, Kye Martin, Reporters; Joe Amigle, Rick Stuckey, Kenneth Webster, Photographers; Anita Selvaggio, Assignment Editor; Keith Warner, Editor; Brian Bertino, Magdalena Soria, Directors. **WMAQ**

Category #2-b Outstanding Achievement for News Programming – Morning Newscast: Smaller Markets (51+) (Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)

- **ABC57 Morning News: Election Day 2020:** Kyle Fobe, Producer; Kayla Carter, Frank Rotella, Producers; Kyle Smith, Editor; Jennifer Lee, Vahid Sadzadeh, Anchors; Summer Horan, Emily Kennedy, Malaak Khattab, Karla Rodriguez, Maci Tetrick, Reporters; Pete Wajszczuk, Director. **WBND**

Category #3 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Continuing Coverage (Award to the Team of Reporters, Meteorologists, Anchors, Producers, Photographers, Editors, Writers, Directors, and Assignment Desk Editors)

- **Just Ten Years Old:** Dave Savini, Reporter; Michele Youngerman, Producer; Julia Dourgarian, Michael Klingele, Marcus Richardson, Alfredo Roman, Don Stanke, Scott Wilson, Co-Producers; Megan Hickey, Marissa Parra, Reporters. **WBBM**

Category #4-a Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Investigative Single Story (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Getting Hosed: “I Just Called Gil.”:** Brad Edwards, Reporter; Julia Dourgarian, Jeff Harris, Michael Klingele, Tiffani Lupenski, Reed Nolan, Alfredo Roman, DeAndra Taylor, Paige Tortorelli, Tim Viste, Producers. **WBBM**

Category #4-b Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Investigative Multiple Reports (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **My Name Is Anjanette Young:** Dave Savini, Reporter; Samah Assad, Jeff Harris, Tiffani Lupenski, Michele Youngerman, Producers; Lana Hinshaw-Klann, Lou Kleinberg, Michael Klingele, Reed Nolan, Alfredo Roman, Tim Viste, Co-Producers. **WBBM**

Category #5 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Daily News Report (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Adam Toledo Video Release:** Teri Arvesu, Executive Producer; Jessica Fernandez, Executive Producer; Mariano Gielis, Erika Maldonado, David Palomino, Reporters; Maria D. Garcia, Felipe Martinez, Manuela Urueña, Producers. **WGBO**
- **Recusal Refusal:** Amanda St. Hilaire, Reporter; Jerry Imig, Producer. **WITI**

Category #6 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – Hard News Report (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Eviction Moratorium Leaving Landlords Homeless:** Dorothy Tucker, Reporter; Jeff Harris, Tiffani Lupenski, Allen Maniscalco, Al Szopinski, DeAndra Taylor, Carol Thompson, Tim Viste, Producers. **WBBM**

Category #7 Outstanding Achievement for News Gathering – News Special (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Vaccinated State:** Lauren Stauffer, Producer; Lisa Balde, Irene Bojkewycz, Tracy Davis, Alexandria Fisher, Nathan Halder, Chris Hush, Ivonne Ramirez, Greg Sanchez, Sebastian Torres, Producers. **WMAQ**

Category #8-a Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Arts/Culture/Entertainment (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **MLK in Color:** Jayme Nicholas, Producer; Tim Kelleher, Co-Producer. **WLS**

Category #8-b Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Business/Consumer (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Restoring Black Farmland:** Gaynor Hall, Reporter; Michael D'Angelo, Producer. **WGN**

Category #8-c Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Crime (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Children Caught in the Crossfire:** Andrew Schroedter, Producer; Ben Bradley, Reporter; Kevin Doellman, Producer. **WGN**
- **Huellas: Gage Park:** Hilda Gutiérrez, Reporter/Producer; Marimar Gutierrez, Diana Maldonado, Raul Quiñones, Sebastian Torres, Producers. **WSNS**

Category #8-d Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Education/Schools (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **A Year Long Project at West Middleton Elementary:** Leigh Mills, Reporter; Curt Lenz, Producer. **WMTV**

Category #8-e Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Environment/Science (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Chicago's Climate Change:** Kate Chappell, Reporter; Matthew Byrne, Co-Producer. **WMAQ**

Category #8-f Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Health/Medical (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **The Pregnancy Experiment:** Amanda St. Hilaire, Reporter; Jerry Imig, David Michuda, Sara Smith, Producers. **WITI**

Category #8-g Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Human Interest (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **One Tip At A Time:** Andrew Konkle, Producer; Carl Deffenbaugh, Reporter; Sara Smith, Producer. **WITI**

Category #8-h Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Politics/Government (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Is Scabby the Rat about to be Exterminated? :** Michael Lowe, Reporter; Kevin Doellman, Jordan Muck, Producers. **WGN**

Category #8-i Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Religion (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Restoring the Torah -- and the Faith :** Michael Lowe, Reporter; Dana Ballard, Erik Arendt, Dominick Stasi, Producers. **WGN**

Category #8-j Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Sports (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **The Big 'G':** Stephen Watson, Reporter/Producer. **WISN**

Category #8-k Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Weather (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Ice on the Lake:** Larry Mowry, Producer. **WLS**

Category #8-L Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Military (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **A Marine's Last Wish:** Mike D'Angelo, Producer; Sean Lewis, Reporter; Stacy Friedman, Steve Scheuer, Jason Vicks, Producers. **WGN**

Category #8-m Outstanding Achievement for News Specialty Report/Series – Societal Concerns (Award to the Reporter/Producer)

- **Power 2 Change:** Cami Rapson, Reporter; Pat Mayo, Will Sentowski, Producers. **WBAY**
- **Why Shoot?: Violence in Michiana :** Joshua Short, Producer/Reporter; Karyn Lacey, Julian Short, Eric Winter, Producers. **WNDU**
- **Hablando Claro:** Alfonso Gutiérrez, Reporter/Producer; Marimar Gutierrez, Raul Quiñones, Meredith Veloz, Co-Producers. **WSNS**

Category #9-a Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Short Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Cub Together:** Matt Romito, Executive Producer; Lauren Fritts, Executive Producer; Shane English, Daniel Green, Adam Sobel, Corey Surratt, Producers. **Cubs Productions**

Category #9-b Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Single Program/Series – Live (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Blackhawks Pregame Live:** John Schippman, Executive Producer; Kevin Cross, Sr. Executive Producer; Kevin Anderson, Coordinating Producer; Slavko Bekovic, Adam Marzec, Jeff Nelson, Nate Poppen, Producers; Pat Boyle, Studio Host; Jamal Mayers, Studio Analyst; Joseph Klontz, Matthew Rooney, Eric Strobel, Associate Producers. **NBC Sports Chicago**

Category #9-c Outstanding Achievement for Sports – Single Program/Series – Post-Produced or Edited (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **The Breakdown:** Matt Romito, Executive Producer; Lauren Fritts, Executive Producer; Drew Clark, Shane English, Samuel Peltz, Adam Sobel, Corey Surratt, Producers. **Cubs Productions**

Category #9-d Outstanding Achievement for Sports – One Time Special (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Milwaukee Bucks Jim Paschke & Giannis Antetokounmpo One Final Interview:** Ujash Patel, Producer; Jim Paschke, Host; Ken Barski, Nick Monroe, Stevan Sokolovic, Producers. **Milwaukee Bucks**

Category #9-e Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Live Sporting Event - Single Game/Series (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Cubs Game: May 26, 2021:** Michael Santini, Executive Producer; Maleek Ndile, Nick Steger, Coordinating Producers; Mike Leary, Producer; Todd Benjaminson, Mike Fox, Co-Producers; Ryan Dempster, Jim Deshaies, Jon Sciambi, Hosts; Debby Schneider, Executive Producer; Nick Helling, Paula Oskroba, Associate Producers. **Marquee Sports Network**

Category #9-f Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Documentary (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Mayor of Rush Street:** Michael Santini, Executive Producer; Maleek Ndile, Nick Steger, Jed Tuminaro, Coordinating Producers; Dave Patterson, Bob Vorwald, Executive Producers; Bruce Cornblatt, Senior Coordinating Producer; Andrew Brenner, Senior Producer; Tony Ferraiolo, Paul Solga, Producers; Vincent Coccia, David Matz, Associate Producers. **Marquee Sports Network**

Category #9-g Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Interview/Discussion - Short Form or Long Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Class is in Session Special: MLB's Decision on All-Star Game:** Michael Santini, Executive Producer; Adam Anshell, Joseph Riley, Executive Producers; Willie Parker, Alex Symonds, Producers; Samuel Hale, Maleek Ndile, Coordinating Producers; Doug Glanville, Host; Lou Hinkhouse, James MacNichol, Pat Reilly, Co-Producers. **Marquee Sports Network**

Category #10-a Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Cultural (Award to Producer)

- **Nuestra Herencia:** Iván García, Producer; Aleksander Banchs, Michael Bania, Ahimme Cazarez, Jovanny Evans, Diego Guirado, Jacqueline Nuñez, Fabian Ramirez, Producers. **WGBO**
- **Wisconsin's Scenic Treasures: Southern Vistas:** Laurie Gorman, Executive Producer; Grant Fenster, Producer. **PBS Wisconsin**

Category #10-b Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Historical (Award to Producer)

- **Ida B. Wells, a Chicago Stories Special:** Dan Protes, Executive Producer; Stacy Robinson, Producer; Yasmin Rammohan, Associate Producer. **WTTW**

Category #10-c Outstanding Achievement for Documentary Programs - Topical (Award to Producer)

- **Latino Wisconsin:** Georgia Pabst, Co-Producer; Ralph Pabst, Co-Producer. **Latino WI Films, LLC**

Category #11 Outstanding Achievement for Informational/Instructional - Short Form or Long Form Content (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Mental Health Awareness: "Don't Do Nothing":** Matt Wettersten, Co-Producer; Scott Anderson, Jim Polus, Co-Producers. **Illinois Farm Bureau**

Category #12 Outstanding Achievement for Interview/Discussion - Short Form or Long Form Content (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Kenosha in Crisis Part 1:** Adrienne Pedersen, Producer; John Eddy, Susan MacDonald, Dewayne Walls, Producers. **WISN**

Category #13 Outstanding Achievement for Magazine Program - Series/Single Program (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Backstory Composite:** Larry Potash, Producer; Mike D'Angelo, Producer. **WGN**

Category #14-a Outstanding Achievement for Public Affairs Program - Series (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Chicago Tonight:** Jay Smith, Senior Supervising Producer; Nicole Cardos, Crystin Immel, Senior Line Producers; Brandis Friedman, Paris Schutz, Co-Hosts and Correspondents; Amanda Vinicky, Correspondent. **WTTW**

Category #14-b Outstanding Achievement for Public Affairs Program - Single Program (Award to Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Vaccinating Illinois:** Dina Bair, Reporter/Producer; Mike D'Angelo, Katharin Czink, Brad Piper, Steve Scheuer, Sergey Zharkiy, Producers; Dana Ballard, Executive Producer. **WGN**

Category #15 Outstanding Achievement for Special Event Coverage - Live/Edited (other than News or Sports) (Award to the Producer/Host/Reporter)

- **Countdown Chicago 2021:** Hank Mendheim, Executive Producer; Terrell Brown, Ryan Chiaverini, Producers/Hosts; Jake Abrams, Anthony Conway, Holly Grisham Conroy, Dawn Watkins, Producers; Sarah Baniak, Kendresa Cockrell, Natalie Heller, Rachel Pellegrino, Associate Producers; Janet Davies, Mark Giangreco, Liz Nagy, Cheryl Scott, Val Warner, Hosea Sanders, Hosts. **WLS**

Category #16-a Outstanding Achievement for Arts/Entertainment - Long Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host)

- **Boogeymen: Unmasking Horror's Greatest Movie Monsters:** Jake Hamilton, Host/Producer. **WFLD**

Category #16-b Outstanding Achievement for Arts/Entertainment – Short Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host)

- **Eye On The Arts | Madison Wise – Blacksmith:** Anthony Santucci, Producer. Lakeshore Public Media

Category #17 Outstanding Achievement for Children/Youth/Teen (19 and under) – Short Form or Long Form Content

(Award to the Producer/Host)

- **Carrie Frost: Fly Fishing Boss:** Jessie Nixon, Producer; Ian Glodich, Producer; Megan Monday, Executive Producer. PBS Wisconsin

Category #18-a Outstanding Achievement for Human Interest – Long Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host)

- **Purpose Over Pain: Civic Orchestra of Chicago:** Samantha Sanders, Producer; John Farbrother, Producer; Jonathan McCormick, Executive Producer. Green River Films, Inc

Category #18-b Outstanding Achievement for Human Interest – Short Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host)

- **Children's Wisconsin – Carson Documentary:** Sam Hogerton, Executive Producer. SRH

Category #19 Outstanding Achievement for Lifestyle – Short Form or Long Form Content (Award to the Producer/Host)

- **Senior Dating:** Jayme Nicholas, Producer; Justyna Syska, Co-Producer. WLS

Category #20 Outstanding Achievement for Public Service Announcement (PSAs) – Single Spot/Campaign (Award to Producer)

- **Children's Wisconsin – Shine Through:** Sam Hogerton, Executive Producer. SRH

Category #21-a Outstanding Achievement for News Promo Single Spot/Campaign (Award to the Producer)

- **Weather Here:** Cornelius Mack, Producer; David Johnson, Sarah Urquhart, Producers. WBBM

Category #21-b Outstanding Achievement for Programming Promos (Non-News) Single Spot/Campaign (Award to the Producer)

- **Backstory:** Andrew Lennie, Producer. WGN

Category #21-c Outstanding Achievement for Sports Promos Single Spot/Campaign (Award to the Producer)

- **Chicago Blackhawks 2021 'Hockey is Home' Campaign:** Adam Kempenaar, Executive Producer; Brigg Bloomquist, Jessica Conquest, Michael Dahl, Patrick Joliat Dahl, Ben Davis, Matt Jameson, Ryan Linich, Cara Suglich, Justin Zipser, Producers. Banner/Chicago Blackhawks

Category #22-a Outstanding Achievement for Commercials – Single Spot (Award to the Producer)

- **Relentless:** Dennis Bannon, Executive Producer; Kat Bizios, Senior Producer. Schafer Condon Carter

Category #22-b Outstanding Achievement for Commercials – Campaign (Award to the Producer)

- **Verlo BamGam 2020:** Sam Hogerton, Executive Producer. SRH

Category #23-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – News Anchor

- **Mary Stoker Smith:** Composite. WITI

Category #23-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Weather Anchor

- **Rob Haswell:** Composite. WITI
- **Maria Elena Ponticiello:** Composite. WSNS

Category #23-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Sports Anchor/Reporter/Play-by-Play

- **Zora Stephenson:** Composite. Bally Sports Wisconsin
- **Jim Paschke:** Composite. Bally Sports Wisconsin

Category #23-d Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Program Host/Moderator/Correspondent

- **Elliott Bambrough:** Chicago's Best. WGN Studio Productions
- **Kira Cook:** California's Santa Catalina Island. TerryLissy Productions

Category #23-e Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Daily News Reporter

- **Derrick Rose:** 2020 Notebook. WISN

Category #23-f Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent – Investigative Reporter

- **Dave Savini:** Composite. WBBM

Category #24 Outstanding Crafts Achievement for Graphics Arts/Art Direction/Set Design

- Sarah Urquhart, David Johnson: CBS Chicago Image Composite. WBBM

Category #25 Outstanding Crafts Achievement for Audio – Live/Recorded

- Andrew Twiss, Jesse Nolan: Sweet Home Chicago. HMS Media/Jason Brett Productions/American Stories Continuum

Category #26 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air - Lighting

- Thomas Godar: Chicago Stories. WTTW

Category #27 Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air - Director

- Nicolas DeGrazia: Marching Mustangs: Queen Medley. Bitter Jester Studios

Category #28-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editor – News

- Tim Viste: Composite. WBBM

Category #28-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editor - Long Form Content

- Brian Kallies: Lincoln is Crying: The Grifters, Grafters and Governors of Illinois. Lincoln is Crying Film, LLC

Category #28-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editor - Short Form Content

- Matthew Hoffman: Sweet Home Chicago. HMS Media

Category #28-d Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Editor- Sports

- Emily Ragan: Composite. Fighting Irish Media

Category #29-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Photographer - News

- Andrew Konkle: Composite. WITI

Category #29-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Photographer - Long Form Content

- Daniel Kullman, Michael D'Angelo: Waiting In Line. Bitter Jester Studios

Category #29-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Photographer - Sports

- Jodain Massad, Emily Ragan, Robert Campbell, Zach Dudka, Indi Jackson: Notre Dame Football Composite. Fighting Irish Media

Category #30-a Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Writing - News

- Michael Lowe: Composite. WGN

Category #30-b Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Writing – Long Form Content

- Larry Potash: Composite. WGN

Category #30-c Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air – Writing – Short Form Content

- Ben Rohde: Indefinable: Northwestern Football. Northwestern University Athletics