Congratulations to our winners!

Congratulations to all of the award winners in the 2011 SPJ Northwest Excellence in Journalism Contest. This annual contest honors the very best in journalism in SPJ’s Region 10 which includes Alaska, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. This year’s contest covers work produced or published in 2011 within our region.

We received more than 2,100 entries from more than 250 news outlets and journalists representing Daily Newspapers (small, mid-sized and large dailies), Non-Daily Newspapers, Alternative Newsweeklies, Magazines, TV (two market sizes), Radio and Online.

Those entries were submitted to judges across the United States – Hawaii, Colorado, Connecticut, New York, Minnesota, Washington, D.C., Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Oklahoma – to choose our finalists in 184 categories. Those winners, listed in the following pages, were honored on Saturday, May 19 in ceremonies in Portland and Seattle.

Society of Professional Journalists

Region 10 is one of 12 regions of the Society of Professional Journalists, a society of approximately 8,000 journalists in the United States and abroad. Our annual contest helps support chapters within our region as well as the overall mission of SPJ.

SPJ’s Mission

The Society of Professional Journalists, www.spj.org, is dedicated to the perpetuation of a free press as the cornerstone of our nation and our liberty.

To ensure that the concept of self-government outlined by the U.S. Constitution remains a reality into future centuries, the American people must be well informed in order to make decisions regarding their lives, and their local and national communities.

It is the role of journalists to provide this information in an accurate, comprehensive, timely and understandable manner.

It is the mission of the Society of Professional Journalists:

• To promote this flow of information.
• To maintain constant vigilance in protection of the First Amendment guarantees of freedom of speech and of the press.
• To stimulate high standards and ethical behavior in the practice of journalism.
• To foster excellence among journalists.
• To inspire successive generations of talented individuals to become dedicated journalists.
• To encourage diversity in journalism.
• To be the pre-eminent, broad-based membership organization for journalists.
• To encourage a climate in which journalism can be practiced freely.
**Spot News Reporting**

**1st place**
Staff  
KIRO FM  
“Amanda Knox verdict”

**2nd place**
Staff  
Oregon Public Broadcasting  
“Occupy Portland”

**3rd place**
Rachael McDonald  
KLCC Radio  
“Occupiers clean up camp”

**General News Reporting**

**1st place**
Brandi Kruse  
KIRO FM  
“Fight for freedom: the Jason Puracal story”

**2nd place**
Tom Banse, Colin Fogarty  
Northwest News Network  
“Big bang at dam launches hope for salmon and kayakers”

**3rd place**
Bonnie Stewart & David Steves  
Oregon Public Broadcasting  
“A guide to haze in the Columbia River Gorge”

**Feature News Reporting**

**1st place**
Dan Boyce  
Montana Public Radio  
“Chet Huntley’s Montana legacy”

**2nd place**
Chris Sullivan  
KIRO FM  
“Stunt school”

**3rd place**
April Baer & Eve Epstein  
Oregon Public Broadcasting  
“Descendants of migrant labor pioneers gather in Woodburn”

**Investigative Reporting**

**1st place**
Anna King & Colin Fogarty  
Northwest News Network  
“Hanford’s flawed safety culture”

**2nd place**
Libby Casey  
Alaska Public Radio Network  
“Crew members attempted to turn in Fuglvog”

**3rd place**
Rob Manning & Eve Epstein  
Oregon Public Broadcasting  
“Seismic reviews of many Oregon dams way behind schedule”

**Special Report**

**1st place**
Staff  
KIRO FM  
“9/11, 10 years later”

**2nd place**
Steve Jackson  
Spokane Public Radio  
“Norwester 76”

**3rd place**
Sadie Babits  
Boise State Public Radio  
“Through a doctor’s eyes”
**News Series**

1st place
Staff
CoastAlaska
“Sealaska lands bill series”

2nd place
John Ryan & Jim Gates
KUOW Radio
“Danger at work”

3rd place
Dan Boyce
Montana Public Radio
“From Montana to Germany”

**Sports Reporting**

1st place
Scott Kí
Boise State Public Radio
“Pole dancing”

2nd place
Bill Schwartz
KIRO FM
“Born to run”

3rd place
Rob Manning & Eve Epstein
Oregon Public Broadcasting
“Giant questions haunt Blazers’ fans and their Hall of Fame Lithuanian”

**TV**

Markets 1-120

1st place
Chris Ingalls
KING5 TV
“Waterfront welfare”

2nd place
Linda Byron, Kellie Cheadle, Steve Douglas, Randy Eng
KING5 TV
“Bully with a badge”

3rd place
Liz Rocca & Kiyomi Taguchi
KOMO-TV
“Gone...and forgotten”

**Investigative Reporting**

1st place
Liz Rocca, Tri Ngo, Randy Carnell, Jennifer Austin
KOMO-TV
“Terror on the tracks”

2nd place
Tracy Vedder & Kiyomi Taguchi
KOMO-TV
“Vanishing videos”

3rd place
Chris Ingalls, Kellie Cheadle, Steve Douglas
KING5 TV
“Their crime, your dime”

**Feature News Reporting**

1st place
Joe Fryer & Ken Jones
KING5 TV
“When September ends”

2nd place
Tim Becker
KOIN TV
“No legs, no limits, living the dream!”

3rd place
John Sharify & Douglas Burgess
KING5 TV
“Defending silence”

**Special Report/Documentary**

1st place
Liz Rocca, Randy Carnell, Michelle Morin, Tri Ngo
KOMO-TV
“Problem solvers investigate: terror on the tracks”
**TV**

2nd place  
Nathan Wilson  
KOMO-TV  
“Help on the homefront”

3rd place  
Jill Mullican  
KOMO-TV  
“Problem Solvers: what if?”

**Sports Reporting**

1st place  
Tim Becker  
KOIN TV  
“Making memories, missing dad”

2nd place  
Tim Becker & Bill Cortez  
KOIN TV  
“Defying disease”

3rd place  
Michelle Esteban & Kiyomi Taguchi  
KOMO-TV  
“Queen of the ring”

**Photojournalism**

1st place  
Dan Jackson  
KREM-TV  
“UPS marathoner”

2nd place  
Josh Peterson  
KAPP/KVEW-TV  
“Stunt plane show”

3rd place  
Dan Thesman  
KAPP/KVEW-TV  
“Local troops deploy to Afghanistan”

**General News Reporting**

1st place  
Holly Menino  
KEZI9 TV  
“Remains identified as missing Springfield man”

2nd place  
Katie Boer & Bill Goetz  
KVAL-TV  
“He was eating lunch the last time that we had checked on him”

3rd place  
Michael Spears  
Fisher Communications  
“Prosecutor busted for DUI”

**Spot News Reporting**

1st place  
Sarah Gravlee & Nicole Grigg  
KULR-8 TV  
“Manhunt”

2nd place  
Sarah Navoy  
Fisher Communications  
“Emergency landing”

3rd place  
Kristina Nelson & Loren Ruark  
KVAL-TV  
“This is the thrill of a lifetime”

**Feature News Reporting**

1st place  
Jennifer Winters & Bill Goetz  
KVAL-TV  
“I have more of a need to give that gift than the child has to receive it”

2nd place  
Beth Ford & Tony Gist  
KVAL-TV  
“Story behind the gunk that stunk up Cottage Grove”
3rd place
Nohelani Graf & Ryan Cummings
KMTR-TV
“Logging on for love”

Investigative Reporting
1st place
Holly Menino
KEZI9 TV
“Remains identified as missing Springfield man”
2nd place
Whitney Ward
Fisher Communications
“The cost of gangs”
3rd place
Kelly Koopmans & Bill Goetz
KVAL-TV
“It’s a job, but...”

Sports Reporting
1st place
Dan Boyce
KBZK-TV
“A Montana marlin”
2nd place
Dirk Weishaar
KVAL-TV
“Battling back: Sheldon’s Damian Nunez survives cancer scare “
3rd place
Nick Krupke
KVAL-TV
“Kaptivating Kidz: come one, come all”

Photojournalism
1st place
Tony Gist
KVAL-TV
“Discarded things can be really significant“
2nd place
Bill Goetz & Tom Adams
KVAL-TV
“’Giant Killers’ tells story of 1937 Oregon champs”
3rd place
Staff
KULR-8 TV
“Big Sky all-stars celebration”

Online
Spot News Reporting
1st place
Staff
The Columbian Online
“Washougal standoff”
2nd place
Staff
The Oregonian
“Portland police evict Occupy Portland campers”
3rd place
Staff
Billings Gazette Online
“Gas explosion destroys Billings home”

Special Report/Enterprise
1st place
Sarah Stuteville
The Common Language Project
“Never going home: young Iraqi refugees dream of Seattle, wait in limbo in Syria”

2nd place
Staff
The Seattle Times Online
“Elwha: the grand experiment”

3rd place
Laura Kaufman
Crosscut.com
“Struggling newsstand a last bastion of real Pike Place character”

Arts/Entertainment/Lifestyle

1st place
Knute Berger
Crosscut.com
“Best of 2011: Allen takes a close look at himself and others”

2nd place
Staff
KING5.com
“Seattle man proposes with ‘Sound of Music’ flash mob”

3rd place
Christopher Solomon
MSN Real Estate
“Don’t demolish that old house; recycle it”

Business Reporting

1st place
Harris Meyer
Crosscut.com
“Will Swedish limit choices for women and the dying under Providence deal?”

2nd place
John Stang
Tri-Cities Area Journal of Commerce
“Whistleblower raises questions about safety concerns at Hanford”

3rd place
Melinda Fulmer
MSN Real Estate
“More short sales bring new scam: flopping”

Sports

1st place
Brent Champaco
Patch.com University Place

2nd place
Chris Hansen & Glenn Nelson
HoopGurlz.com
“Elite prospect battles rare disease”

3rd place
Bob Condotta, Amy Bergstrom, Robert Wickwire
The Seattle Times Online
“UW Husky football and UW Husky stadium coverage”
**Commentary**

1st place
Monica Guzman
Geekwire
“Issues in digital life”

2nd place
Pete Jackson
Crosscut.com
“Cantwell’s cheaper shoes are pinching”

3rd place
Kai-Huei Yau
Tri-City Herald Online
“Behind the fold”

**Photography**

1st place
Joshua Trujillo
SeattlePI.com
“Occupy Seattle photos”

2nd place
Erika Schultz
The Seattle Times Online
“Synchronized swimming championships”

3rd place
Lucas Anderson
KING5.com
“Seattle students walk out to protest education cuts”

**Gallery/Slideshow**

1st place
Bob Brawdy, Paul T. Erickson, Richard Dickin, Kai-Huei Yau
Tri-City Herald Online
“Faces of cancer”

2nd place
Liz Kishimoto
The Spokesman Review Online
“A world apart, a common bond”

3rd place
Chantal Anderson
The Common Language Project
“Born in Bangladesh”

**Video**

1st place
Alex Stonehill
The Common Language Project
“Never going home: young Iraqi refugees dream of Seattle, wait in limbo in Syria”

2nd place
Jamie Francis
The Oregonian Online
“Pendleton cowboy Jack Sweek – one memory, framed in silver”

3rd place
Mark Mulligan, Annie Mulligan
The Daily Herald Co. Online
“Cascade Quest: Sled dog racing”

**Interactive Graphic or Resource**

1st place
Micky Hulse
The Register-Guard Online
“PCT Oregon 2011” Best New Site of 2011
ONLINE

3rd place
Emilie Ritter Saunders, Molly Messick
Boise State Public Radio
Online
“State Impact Idaho”

Best Online Community Engagement

1st place
Staff
KING5.com
KING5 Social Media

2nd place
Staff
Seattle Met Magazine
Seattle Met Online

3rd place
Cory Bergman & Amy Duncan
Breaking News
“Breaking News on Google+”

Innovation Award

1st place
Sarah Jane Rothenfluch, John Kin, John Rosman, Ellen Lee
Oregon Public Broadcasting
“National Book Awards”

2nd place
Carol Smith & Jim Gates
Investigate West
“Farming along the Duwamish”

3rd place
Staff
KING5.com
“KING5 Mobile”

Best Site – General News

1st place
Staff
The Seattle Times
The Seattle Times Online

2nd place
Staff
Oregon Public Broadcasting
OPB News

3rd place
Staff
KING5.com
KING5.com

Best Site – Specialized Subject

1st place
Glenn Nelson & Chris Hansen
HoopGurlz.com
“ESPN HoopGurlz”

2nd place
Joan Cartan-Hansen, Kris Freeland, Rick Penticoff, Stephanie Dickey
Idaho Public Television Online
“D4K”

3rd place
Les Zaitz & Ed Madrid
The Oregonian Online
“Rajneeshees in Oregon: the untold story”

Best Site – Hyperlocal

1st place
Staff
LOL Dudez, LLC
“The B-Town Blog”

2nd place
Halley Griffin & KOMO News Staff
KOMONews.com
“Tacoma KOMO”
**3rd place**
Dana E. Neuts
iLoveKent.net
“iLoveKent.net”

**MAGAZINES**

**General Excellence**

**1st place**
Staff
Montana Quarterly

**2nd place**
Bruce Barcott
Seattle Met Magazine
“The girl on the bridge”

**3rd place**
James Ross Gardner
Seattle Met Magazine
“Diary of a deadly year”

**General Reporting**

**1st place**
James Ross Gardner
Seattle Met Magazine
“The Elwha’s last dam summer”

**2nd place**
Bruce Barcott
Seattle Met Magazine
“The Elwha’s last dam summer”

**3rd place**
James Ross Gardner
Seattle Met Magazine
“Diary of a deadly year”

**Government & Political Reporting**

**1st place**
Chris Grygiel
Seattle Magazine
“Seattle’s mini mayors”

**2nd place**
Lee Van Der Voo
Portland Monthly Magazine
“To protect & serve”

**3rd place**
Matthew Halverson
Seattle Met Magazine
“Elizabeth Campbell will not back down”

**Science & Health Reporting**

**1st place**
Leslie Forsberg
Alaska Airlines Magazine
“Fragile beauty”

**2nd place**
Naomi Ishisaka
Seattle Magazine
“UW scientist Henry Lai makes waves in the cell phone industry”

**3rd place**
Mark Mendiola
Horizon Air Magazine
“Advanced studies”

**Environmental Affairs**

**1st place**
Anna King
Seattle Magazine
“Safe enough?”

**2nd place**
Bruce Barcott
Seattle Met Magazine
“The Elwha’s last dam summer”

**3rd place**
Maria Dolan
Seattle Magazine
“Troubled waters”

**Social Issues Reporting**

**1st place**
Kasey Cordell
Portland Monthly Magazine
“The hidden war”

**2nd place**
Eric Scigliano
Seattle Met Magazine
“The language of the land”

**3rd place**
James Ross Gardner
Seattle Met Magazine
“Diary of a deadly year”
### Personalities Reporting

**1st place**  
Neal Thompson  
Seattle Met Magazine  
“The carver’s life”

**2nd place**  
Sarah Stuteville  
The Common Language Project  
“The return: one Marine’s story of a mission accomplished, but not really over”

**3rd place**  
Matthew Halverson  
Seattle Met Magazine  
“Elizabeth Campbell will not back down”

## Personal Service Reporting

**1st place**  
Jessica Voelker  
Seattle Met Magazine  
“Yoga for life”

**2nd place**  
Laura Dannen & Ariana Dawes  
Seattle Met Magazine  
“The best places to work... and play”

### Magazine Departments

**1st place**  
Matthew Halverson  
Seattle Met Magazine  
“23 reasons it’s great to be a pet in Seattle”

**2nd place**  
Karen Brooks  
Portland Monthly Magazine  
“Quote unquote”

**3rd place**  
Rachel Ritchie  
Portland Monthly Magazine  
“Restaurant review”

### Leisure & Lifestyle Reporting

**1st place**  
Diana Wurn  
Seattle Magazine  
“Upward dog(s)”

**2nd place**  
Heidi Dietrich  
Pacific Northwest Magazine  
“Puget Ridge’s family spirit: co-op living in W. Seattle”

**3rd place**  
Kurt Batdorf  
Snohomish County Business Journal  
“Dick’s opens, and there is much rejoicing”

### Travel Reporting

**1st place**  
Jessica Voelker  
Seattle Met Magazine  
“Return to Red Mountain”

**2nd place**  
Tyrone Beason  
Pacific Northwest Magazine  
“My personal Mideast peace”

**3rd place**  
Ken Marsh  
Alaska Airlines Magazine  
“Seasonal sojourn”

### Arts & Entertainment Reporting

**1st place**  
Tom Colligan  
Portland Monthly Magazine  
“Studio City”
2nd place
Neal Thompson
Seattle Met Magazine
“The man who invented winter”

3rd place
Brandien Davis, Bond Huberman, Dana Standish
Seattle Magazine
“Fall arts preview”

Business & Consumer Affairs Reporting
1st place
Zach Dundas
Portland Monthly Magazine
“A stitch in time”

2nd place
Stuart Glascock
Seattle Business
“Mobile marketing”

3rd place
Bruce Barcott
Seattle Met Magazine
“Putting the Eddie back in Eddie Bauer”

Sports Reporting
1st place
Joe Runyan
Alaska Airlines Magazine
“Leader of the pack”

2nd place
Bill Reader
Pacific Northwest Magazine
“Former boxing champ Greg Haugen fights on”

3rd place
Matthew Halverson
Seattle Met Magazine
“The redemption of Ryan Leaf will be televised”

Editorial & Commentary
1st place
Randy Gragg
Portland Monthly Magazine
“The birth of a park”

2nd place
Bill Virgin
Seattle Business
“It’s not OK”

3rd place
Kathryn Robinson
Seattle Met Magazine
“Unnecessary roughness”

Headlines
1st place
John Levesque
Seattle Business
“Dow rising “

2nd place
Staff
Horizon Air Magazine

3rd place
Staff
Seattle Magazine

Cover Design
1st place
Andre Mora
Seattle Met Magazine
“Reasons to love winter”

2nd place
Peter Vogel & Jason Blackheart
Portland Monthly Magazine
“Farmers markets: an insider’s guide”

3rd place
Staff
425 Magazine
“Best of 425 – 2011”

Spread Design/Photo Essay
1st place
Sue Boylan & Hayley Young
Seattle Magazine
“Dow rising “
2nd place
Deborah Richardson & Dennis Wunsch
Scotsman Guide Media
“Cultivating the student-housing market”

3rd place
Michael Novak
Portland Monthly Magazine
“The hidden war”

Cartoons & Illustrations

1st place
Owen Freeman
Seattle Met Magazine
“Diary of a deadly year”

2nd place
Dennis Wunsch
Scotsman Guide Media
“Find big business in self-storage”

3rd place
Dennis Wunsch
Scotsman Guide Media
“Is there a doctor for the house?”

Sports Photography

1st place
H. Roger Evans
Alaska Airlines Magazine
“Alaska links”

2nd place
Ron Niebrugge
Horizon Air Magazine
“Tahoe treasures”

3rd place
Jamie Francis
Alaska Airlines Magazine
“Central Oregon”

Feature Photography

1st place
William Anthony
Portland Monthly Magazine
“The villain”

2nd place
Rick Dahms
AAA Washington/Journey magazine
“Safe & sound”

3rd place
Patrick J. Endres
Alaska Airlines Magazine
“Glacier grandeur”

ALTERNATIVE NEWSWEEKLIES

General Excellence

1st place
Staff
The Pacific Northwest Inlander

Investigative Reporting

1st place
Matthew Frank
Missoula Independent
“Above the law”

2nd place
Nicholas Deshais
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“The bulldog”

3rd place
Rick Anderson
Seattle Weekly
“He killed Edwin Pratt”

Crime & Justice Reporting

1st place
Caleb Hannan
Seattle Weekly
“Lawrence Williams: no Romeo”
2nd place
Jessica Mayrer
Missoula Independent
“Theirs for the taking”

3rd place
Joe O’Sullivan
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“Narrow escape”

Government & Political Reporting
1st place
Corey Pein
Willamette Week
“The other Portland”

2nd place
Nina Shapiro
Seattle Weekly
“Nowhere-near-the-border patrol in Forks”

3rd place
Nicholas Deshais
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“Olympia or bust”

Environment & Science Reporting
1st place
Joshua Frank
Seattle Weekly
“Hanford’s nuclear option”

2nd place
James Pitkin
Willamette Week
“Plastic crusader”

3rd place
Eric Flowers
The Source Weekly
“Treading water in Foreclosureville”

Education Reporting
1st place
Daniel Walters
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“Dropout crisis”

2nd place
Nina Shapiro
Seattle Weekly
“Deaf jam”

Health Reporting
1st place
Nina Shapiro
Seattle Weekly
“The anti-vaccine epidemic”

Arts & Entertainment Reporting
1st place
Casey Jarman
Willamette Week
“Return of the mack”

2nd place
Jonathan Walczak
Seattle Weekly
“Ryan Henry Ward paints the town”

Social Issues Reporting
1st place
Nina Shapiro
Seattle Weekly
“Nowhere-near-the-border patrol in Forks”

2nd place
Daniel Walters
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“Lost in the shuffle”
ALTERNATIVE NEWSWEEKLIES

3rd place
Ellis Conklin
Seattle Weekly
“Pete Dexter lets it bleed”

Lifestyles Reporting

1st place
Corey Pein
Willamette Week
“Cheat local”

2nd place
Jordy Byrd
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“Seeds of change”

3rd place
Nina Shapiro
Seattle Weekly
“Ethan Stowell, empire builder”

Personalities Reporting

1st place
Aaron Mesh
Willamette Week
“Voodoo child”

2nd place
Keegan Hamilton
Seattle Weekly
“The (alleged) adventures of Phoenix Jones”

Business Reporting

1st place
Keegan Hamilton
Seattle Weekly
“Porn, piracy & BitTorrent”

2nd place
Nicholas Deshais
The Pacific Northwest Inlander
“Size matters”

3rd place
Corey Pein
Willamette Week
“NikeLeaks”

Sports Reporting

1st place
Jonathan Crowl
Willamette Week
“Gang green”

2nd place
Rick Anderson
Seattle Weekly
“Suicide, horses & Omak’s most notorious minute”

Editorial & Commentary

1st place
Nigel Jaquiss
Willamette Week

2nd place
Stacy Nguyen
Northwest Asian Weekly

Special Sections

1st place
Rick Anderson
Seattle Weekly
“War isn’t over: remembering Washington’s war dead”

2nd place
Staff
Northwest Asian Weekly

Page Design

1st place
Ben Mollica
Willamette Week
2nd place
Chris Bovey
The Pacific Northwest Inlander

3rd place
Han Bui
Northwest Asian Weekly

Graphics & Illustrations
1st place
Chris Bovey
The Pacific Northwest Inlander

2nd place
Hawk Krall
Willamette Week

3rd place
Stacy Nguyen
Northwest Asian Weekly

NONDAILY NEWSPAPERS

General Excellence
1st place
Staff
Sequim Gazette

2nd place
Greg Lamm & Steve Goldsmith
Puget Sound Business Journal
“Other people’s money”

3rd place
Caleb Heeringa
Sammamish Review
“Sahalee man pulls neighbor from burning building”

Government & Political Reporting
1st place
Celeste Gracey
Issaquah & Sammamish Reporter
“A park out of place; can Lake Sammamish State Park find a future, support in the community?”

2nd place
Celeste Gracey
Issaquah & Sammamish Reporter
“A tale of two cities”

Education Reporting
1st place
Aaron Burkhalter
Real Change
“The staggering cost of student debt”
Environment & Science Reporting

1st place
Katherine Luck
Journal Newspapers
“The mating game”

2nd place
Kevin Birnbaum
Catholic Northwest Progress
“Science and the sacred mingle in new documentary”

3rd place
Sue Ellen White
The Whidbey Examiner
“Rain brings high-water problems”

Business Reporting

1st place
Heidi Dietrich
Puget Sound Business Journal
“The defender: inside the PR operation that helped to free Amanda Knox”

2nd place
Holly Smith Peterson
Business Examiner
“Transalta transition plan still unclear”

Social Issues Reporting

1st place
Celeste Gracey
Issaquah & Sammamish Reporter
“When help means life – or death”

2nd place
Rosette Royale
Real Change
“The misrepresentation of Sharon Lee”

3rd place
Bianca Fortis
The Chronicle
“Finding a home for the holidays”

Personalities Reporting

1st place
Valerie Bauman
Puget Sount Business Journal
“Feet on the ground: Jeff Raikes...”

Health Reporting

1st place
Holly Smith Peterson
The Business Examiner
“Is a national defense crisis looming?”

2nd place
Katherine Luck
Journal Newspapers
“Local firefighter battles cancer with the help of friends”

3rd place
Sebastian Moraga
SnoValley Star
“North Bend woman joins cancer walk for her dad”

Environment & Science Reporting

2nd place
Katie Murdoch
The Weekly Herald
“Joan Jett: Scriber kids are rock ‘n roll”

3rd place
Matt Phelps
Kirkland Reporter
“New Northwest University program in Kirkland gives local teens a place to grow their musical talents”

Social Issues Reporting

1st place
Jeanne Lang Jones
Puget Sound Business Journal
“Business at the brink”
### NONDAILY NEWSPAPERS

**2nd place**
Carrie Wood  
Kirkland Reporter  
“Kirkland community celebrates life of prominent artist diagnosed with terminal leukemia”

**3rd place**
Caleb Heeringa  
Sammamish Review  
“Sammamish 9/11 survivor, conflicted about bin Laden death, remembers”

### Lifestyles Reporting

**1st place**
Gabrielle Nomura  
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing  
“Visitors come face-to-face with their worst nightmares at Beaver Lake Park”

**2nd place**
Katherine Luck  
Journal Newspapers  
“Roller derby queens”

### Sports Reporting

**1st place**
Joshua Suman  
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing  
“Head Games | concussions in youth sports, the Lystedt Law and a local response”

**2nd place**
Al Camp  
The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle  
“Escape from Alcatraz!”

**3rd place**
Jennifer Karchmer  
Whatcom Watch  
“To tweet or not to tweet”

### Arts Reporting & Criticism News & Features

**1st place**
Gabrielle Nomura  
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing  
“From corps dancer to choreographer”

**2nd place**
Gabrielle Nomura  
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing  
“Repping suburbia in a city hip-hop scene”

**3rd place**
Jennifer Karchmer  
Whatcom Watch  
“To tweet or not to tweet”

### Editorial & Commentary

**1st place**
Roger Harnack  
The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle  
“Time for a change at PUD”
Nondaily Newspapers

General Column

1st place
Matthew Wilemski
North Seattle Herald-Outlook
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing

2nd place
Heija Nunn
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing

3rd place
Brian Mittge
The Chronicle

Sports Photography

1st place
Roger Harnack
The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
“Swimming lessons”

2nd place
Al Camp
The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
“Touchdown imminent”

3rd place
Mark Johnson
The Chronicle
“Celebration time”

Feature Photography

1st place
Chris Geier
The Chronicle
“Our Lady of Guadalupe”

2nd place
Chris Geier
The Chronicle
“Halloween”

3rd place
Marcus R. Donner
Puget Sound Business Journal
“Savored: Ever the quirky pioneer, The Pink Door turns 30”

Page Design

1st place
Sheyna Watkins
The Chronicle

2nd place
Sarah Burk
The Liberty Lake Splash

3rd place
Jon Williams
Real Change

News Photography

1st place
Damien Mulinix
The Chinook Observer
“Rescue of Dale Ostrander”

2nd place
Al Camp
The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
“Swimming lessons”

3rd place
Christina Lords
The Issaquah Press
“It was like being in a war zone’ amid shootout”

Photo Portfolio

1st place
Chad Coleman
Bellevue Reporter/Sound Publishing

2nd place
Damian Mulinix
The Chinook Observer

3rd place
Chris Geier
The Chronicle
**DAILY NEWSPAPERS** Small-sized Dailies (Circulation< 25,000)

**General Excellence**

1st place
Staff
The Daily News

**Comprehensive Coverage**

1st place
Carly Flandro & Daniel Person
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“Green Town USA”

2nd place
Jennifer Moody
Albany Democrat-Herald
“A family torn apart”

3rd place
Brynn Grimley & Christina Henry
Kitsap Sun
“Private condos, public debt”

**Investigative Reporting**

1st place
Josh Farley
Kitsap Sun
“Investigation finds favoritism in Bremerton police youth program”

2nd place
Kate Martin
Skagit Valley Herald
“A taxing matter”

3rd place
Gail Schontzler & Jodi Hausen
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“Montana State professor sex scandal”

**Spot News Reporting**

1st place
AnneMarie Knepper
Albany Democrat-Herald
“Cascadia post office burns”

2nd place
Gail Schontzler
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“Florida man shot by deputies was obsessed with young genius”

3rd place
Mike Johnston
Ellensburg Daily Record
“Waterlogged”

**Crime & Justice Reporting**

1st place
Adam Pearson
The Chronicle
“Life without a license”

2nd place
Jeff Duewel
Grants Pass Daily Courier
“Memories of “I-5 Killer” live on”

3rd place
Tony Lystra
The Daily News
“Treatment delayed”

**Government & Political Reporting**

1st place
Amanda Ricker
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“In need of change? City Commission to consider new panhandling restrictions”
Health Reporting

1st place
Howard Huntington & Jim Moore
Grants Pass Daily Courier
“Medicare checkup”

2nd place
Scott Terrell & Tahlia Honea
Skagit Valley Herald
“His final choice”

3rd place
Dee Riggs
The Wenatchee World
“HIV then and now”

Environment & Science Reporting

1st place
Bennett Hall, Mark Ylen, Don Boucher
Corvallis Gazette-Times
“Trickle-down effect”

2nd place
DD Bixby
The News-Review
“Bloom & gloom”

3rd place
Jason Bacaj
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“A new hope for Montana mining”

Social Issues Reporting

1st place
Sheila Hagar
Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
“No more tomorrows: local suicides hit crisis level”
2nd place
DD Bixby
The News-Review
“Talkin’ ‘bout my generation”

3rd place
Barbara LaBoe
The Daily News
“Resurrected: one house, many lives”

Personalities Reporting
1st place
Reba Lean
Fairbanks Daily News-Miner
“For River Mike Cranford, isolation is in-tent-ional”

2nd place
Jodi Hausen
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“Pioneering doc”

3rd place
Amanda Ricker
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“Dinosaur hunter”

Lifestyles Reporting
1st place
Tahlia Honea
Skagit Valley Herald
“Living in the moment”

2nd place
Linsay Cathey & Patti Richter
Grants Pass Daily Courier
“Tattoo”

3rd place
Sven Berg, Zach Kyle
Post Register
“Broken silence: weekend races bring noise, excitement to Atomic City”

Short Feature Story
1st place
K.C. Mehaffey
The Wenatchee World
“A site to never forget”

2nd place
Rachel Hergett
Bozeman Daily Chronicle
“Saintly style: stolen St. Francis statue returned to owners -- with makeover”

3rd place
Charles Ward
Juneau Empire
“What’s in a name?”

Long Feature Story
1st place
Tahlia Honea
Skagit Valley Herald
“Keeping the family together”

2nd place
Mary Beth Smetzer
Fairbanks Daily News-Miner
“Singapore man was seeking adventure near bus on Stampede Trail”

3rd place
Jeff Graham
Kitsap Sun
“Teen, fighting for life in Haiti, finds new one in Belfair”

Arts & Entertainment Reporting
1st place
Staff
Helena Independent Record
“The bray”

2nd place
Michael Gallagher
Ellensburg Daily Record
“State of the theater”
### Sports Reporting

**1st place**
Tim Trower  
Mail Tribune  
“A feather in Stetson’s cap”

**2nd place**
Sean Forbes  
Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
“Spin cycle: Tour de Bozeman’s first stage filled with fast, spectator-friendly excitement”

**3rd place**
Gidal Kaiser  
Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
“A real Butte-y: Hawks win first title since 2003”

### Sports Feature Story

**1st place**
Nathan Joyce  
Kitsap Sun  
“Newspaper bear”

**2nd place**
Rachel Hansen  
The Wenatchee World  
“Derby does it”

**3rd place**
Colter Nuanez  
Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
“Modern-day warrior”

### Sports Column

**1st place**
Ben Zimmerman  
The Daily News

**2nd place**
Rick Anderson  
The Daily World

**3rd place**
Zach Urness  
Grants Pass Daily Courier

### Editorial & Commentary

**1st place**
Don Jenkins  
The News-Review

**2nd place**
Gary Nelson  
Mail Tribune

**3rd place**
Tricia Jones  
The News-Review

### General Column

**1st place**
Cathy Zimmerman  
The Daily News

**2nd place**
Steve Lundeberg  
Albany Democrat-Herald

**3rd place**
Rochelle Feil Adamowsky  
The Wenatchee World

### Page Design

**1st place**
Eric Martin  
Mail Tribune

**2nd place**
Sheyna Watkins  
The Chronicle

**3rd place**
Abby Lowell  
Juneau Empire

### News Photography

**1st place**
Jamie Lusch  
Mail Tribune  
“Inferno outside Rogue River”

**2nd place**
Eric Engman  
Fairbanks Daily News-Miner  
“Courtroom outburst”

**3rd place**
Brian Myrick  
Ellensburg Daily Record  
“Stopping the flood”
**Feature Photography**

**1st place**
Jeff Horner
Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
“Adjustment to standing room only”

**2nd place**
Michael Penn
Juneau Empire
“Brown bag jazz”

**3rd place**
Frank Varga
Skagit Valley Herald
“Fresh clams to go”

**Sports Photography**

**1st place**
Jamie Lusch
Mail Tribune
“Raiders survive”

**2nd place**
Don Seabrook
The Wenatchee World
“Face first slide”

**3rd place**
E. J. Harris
East Oregonian
“Buck wild”

**Portrait Photography**

**1st place**
E. J. Harris
East Oregonian
“Man on a mission”

**2nd place**
Jesse Skoubo
Albany Democrat-Herald
“Ridin’ dirty”

**3rd place**
E. J. Harris
East Oregonian
“Craft comeback”

**Photo Portfolio**

**1st place**
Don Seabrook
The Wenatchee World

**2nd place**
Mark Ylen
Albany Democrat-Herald

**3rd place**
Nick Wolcott
Bozeman Daily Chronicle

**Photo Page – Story or Essay**

**1st place**
John Wagner
Fairbanks Daily News-Miner
“Yukon Quest International sled dog race”

**2nd place**
Jordan Stead
Skagit Valley Herald
“From gangbanger to God-fearing”

**3rd place**
Jeff Horner
Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
“On the road again”

**Graphics & Illustrations**

All Circulation Sizes
Judged Together

**1st place**
David Badders
The Oregonian

**2nd place**
Bob Kelton
The Daily Herald Co.

**3rd place**
Jared Johnson
The Wenatchee World
DAILY NEWSPAPERS
Mid-sized Dailies (Circulation 25,001–65,000)

General Excellence
1st place
Staff
Statesman Journal
“Behind Oregon’s death row”

2nd place
Vince Devlin, Kurt Wilson
Missoulian
“Marine Tomy Parker begins long recovery after losing both legs and one hand in IED blast”

3rd place
David Lester
Yakima Herald-Republic
“Yakima River Basin: more users, more conflicts”

Investigative Reporting
1st place
Michael Rose & Tracy Loew
Statesman Journal
“Courthouse Square: engineered to fail”

2nd place
Cami Joner & Gordon Oliver
The Columbian
“Bank of Clark County”

3rd place
Nick Budnick
The Bulletin
“A systemic problem”

Comprehensive Coverage
1st place
Alan Gustafson
Statesman Journal
“Behind Oregon’s death row”

2nd place
Vince Devlin, Kurt Wilson
Missoulian
“Marine Tomy Parker begins long recovery after losing both legs and one hand in IED blast”

3rd place
David Lester
Yakima Herald-Republic
“Yakima River Basin: more users, more conflicts”

Spot News Reporting
1st place
Kathie Durbin & Eric Florip
The Columbian
“A flood of water, emotions”

2nd place
David Lester
Yakima Herald-Republic
“White swan burns”

Crime & Justice Reporting
1st place
Alan Gustafson
Statesman Journal
“Debate is revived”

2nd place
Laura McVicker
The Columbian
“Child sex trafficking on rise”

3rd place
Phil Ferolito
Yakima Herald-Republic
“Custody battle”

Government & Political Reporting
1st place
Andrea Damewood
The Columbian
“Where are the women in Clark County politics?”

3rd place
Debra Smith, Amy Daybert, Eric Stevick, Diana Hefley
The Daily Herald Co.
“Jayme had so much more to give us”
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Keila Szpaller, Linda Thompson
Missoulian
“Struggling to make ends meet, mother carries onward, providing for her daughters”

Personalities Reporting
1st place
Sarah Weiser
The Daily Herald Co.
“The battle within: trying to find the man inside the marine”

2nd place
Chelsi Moy
Missoulian
“UM physics professor with ALS leaves his mark on university, Missoula community”

3rd place
Capi Lynn
Statesman Journal
“Something special”

Lifestyles Reporting
1st place
Thomas Patterson
Statesman Journal
“Ivan and Dot: Life in a constant state of leaving”

2nd place
Barbara Curtin
Statesman Journal
“Bringing poetry home”

3rd place
Mary Ann Albright
The Columbian
“Running shoeless”

Short Feature Story
1st place
Marissa Harshman
The Columbian
“Saving precious time”

2nd place
Jane Gargas
Yakima Herald-Republic
“A dream (prom) come true”

3rd place
Meg Wochnick
The Olympian
“In memory of Mom”

Long Feature Story
1st place
Donna Healy
Billings Gazette-Daily
“Tiny Billings girl thrives on her family’s love”

2nd place
Mike Faulk
Yakima Herald-Republic
“At home on the river”

3rd place
Alejandro Dominguez
The Daily Herald Co.
“Faith to go forward: After terrible accident, young man finds solace”

Arts & Entertainment Reporting
1st place
Jane Gargas
Yakima Herald-Republic
“Image-maker”

2nd place
Barbara Curtin
Statesman Journal
“In memory of Mom”
3rd place
Barbara Curtin
Statesman Journal
“Back stage busy body”

Sports Reporting
1st place
Scott Sandsberry
Yakima Herald-Republic
“Basketball tournament changes: costly turnover”

2nd place
Paul Valencia
The Columbian
“Breaking point for McKenzie?”

3rd place
Greg Jayne
The Columbian
“From Class A to majors?”

Sports Feature Story
1st place
Scott M. Johnson
The Daily Herald Co.
“The rise of ‘The Wildcat,’ Everett’s first sports superstar”

2nd place
Matt Calkins
The Columbian
“From prejudice to pride”

3rd place
Nick Lockridge
Missoulian
“Dressed for success: Hellgate seniors find way to stand out in crowd”

Sports Column
1st place
Matt Calkins
The Columbian

2nd place
Greg Jayne
The Columbian

3rd place
Bill Speltz
Missoulian

General Column
1st place
Sally Mauk
Missoulian

2nd place
Spencer Hatton
Yakima Herald-Republic

3rd place
K. Williams Brown
Statesman Journal

Page Design
1st place
Jennifer Krieger
The Columbian

2nd place
Dave Magnuson
The Columbian

3rd place
Shannon Hofstad
Tri-City Herald

Headlines
1st place
Bill Epperheimer
Yakima Herald-Republic

2nd place
Robert Oster
The Columbian

3rd place
Bob Sisson
The Columbian
**News Photography**

1st place  
Zachary Kaufman  
The Columbian  
“House fire”

2nd place  
Bob Brawdy  
Tri-City Herald  
“Family dog at fatal house fire”

3rd place  
Sarah Weiser  
The Daily Herald Co.  
“Fatal crash”

**Feature Photography**

1st place  
Casey Page  
Billings Gazette  
“Dancer crossing”

2nd place  
Paul T. Erickson  
Tri-City Herald  
“Santa’s helper”

3rd place  
Zachary Kaufman  
The Columbian  
“Carnival worker”

**Portrait Photography**

1st place  
James Woodcock  
Billings Gazette-Daily  
“PTSD medication”

2nd place  
Troy Wayrynen  
The Columbian  
“Child sex trafficking on rise”

3rd place  
David Grubbs  
Billings Gazette  
“Frostbite”

**Sports Photography**

1st place  
Bob Zellar  
Billings Gazette  
“Hillclimb”

2nd place  
Paul Ruhter  
Billings Gazette  
“Bronc Buck”

3rd place  
Walter Hinick  
The Montana Standard  
“Race to the sky start”

**Photo Page – Story or Essay**

1st place  
Zacary Kaufman  
The Columbian  
“Rainbow family gathering”

2nd place  
David Grubbs  
Billings Gazette  
“The life of Gabby”

3rd place  
Paul T. Erickson  
Tri-City Herald  
“Easy swing band”

**Photo Portfolio**

1st place  
Kai-Huei Yau  
Tri-City Herald

2nd place  
Richard Dickin  
Tri-City Herald

3rd place  
Troy Wayrynen  
The Columbian
Investigative Reporting

1st place
Michael J. Berens & Ken Armstrong
The Seattle Times
“Methadone and the politics of pain”

2nd place
Staff
The Oregonian
“David Wu: The fall of a congressman”

3rd place
Sean Robinson
The News Tribune
WestNet

Crime & Justice Reporting

1st place
Bryan Denson
The Oregonian
“The spy’s kid”

2nd place
Mike Carter & Steve Miletich
The Seattle Times
“Seattle Police coverage – culture of mistrust”

3rd place
Jeff Manning, Brent Walth
The Oregonian
“An Oregon Department of Justice investigation”

Spot News Reporting

1st place
Staff
The Seattle Times
“Gas leaks cause explosion that rattles North Seattle”

2nd place
Dominic Gates
The Seattle Times
“Boeing, union seal deal”

3rd place
Winston Ross
The Register-Guard
“A town under a dragnet”

Government & Political Reporting

1st place
Harry Esteve, Michelle Cole, Ryan Kost
The Oregonian
“Cashing in”
Health Reporting

1st place
Hal Bernton, The Seattle Times
Patricia Murphy, KUOW
“The weight of war” (joint project with KUOW)

2nd place
Maureen O’Hagan
The Seattle Times
“Feeling the weight: fighting childhood obesity | a special report”

3rd place
Alison Boggs
The Spokesman-Review
“Ironman: A journey to wellness “

Environment & Science Reporting

1st place
Becky Kramer & Jed Conklin
The Spokesman-Review
“Radioactivity on the reservation”

2nd place
Craig Welch
The Seattle Times
“Salmon virus in Northwest”

3rd place
Mike Rogoway
The Oregonian
“Data centers: the cloud rolls into Oregon”

Business Reporting

1st place
Richard Read
The Oregonian
“Jeld-Wen struggles financially”

2nd place
Melissa Allison & Erika Schultz
The Seattle Times
“Costa Rican coffee farmers and climate change”

3rd place
Jon Talton
The Seattle Times
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2nd place
Laura Gunderson
The Oregonian

3rd place
Bill Virgin
The News Tribune

Social Issues Reporting

1st place
Staff
The Seattle Times
“Social issues reporting regarding the census”

2nd place
Mike Francis
The Oregonian
“Privacy, truly, is gone”

3rd place
Matt Volz
Associated Press
“Indian youth suicide crisis is baffling”

Personalities Reporting

1st place
Betsy Hammond
The Oregonian
“Despite homelessness and hardship”

2nd place
Serena Markstrom
The Register-Guard
“Choosing joy”

3rd place
Kathleen Merryman
The News Tribune
“Cecil Leading Horse: the long road to sober”

Lifestyles Reporting

1st place
Laurie Robinson
The Oregonian
“A pair of Oregon ranchers open their land and hearts”

2nd place
Randi Bjornstad
The Register-Guard
“Returned in his honor”

3rd place
Erik Lacitis
The Seattle Times
“Bus-schedule collector at 10; bus-route planner at 39”

Short Feature Story

1st place
Mark Baker
The Register-Guard
“Bikini brouhaha”

2nd place
Matt Volz
Associated Press
“Rare fortune-telling machine found in Old West town”

3rd place
Anne Saker
The Oregonian
“War bride”

Long Feature Story

1st place
Sarah Stuteville
The Common Language Project
“Young Iraqi refugees dreaming of Seattle wait in limbo in Syria”

2nd place
Anne Saker
The Oregonian
“War bride”
**3rd place**  
Lynda V. Mapes  
The Seattle Times  
“The Tunnels: Seattle’s boring past filled with thrills”

**Arts & Entertainment Reporting**

**1st place**  
David Stabler  
The Oregonian  
“An actor at Oregon Shakespeare Festival, goes to a ‘beautiful extreme’”

**2nd place**  
Jeff Baker  
The Oregonian  
“Todd Grimson turns his dreams into ‘cinematic realism,’ vampire novels, and literature”

**3rd place**  
Misha Berson  
The Seattle Times  
“Gershwin classic ‘Porgy and Bess’ to take stage at Seattle Opera”

**Sports Reporting**

**1st place**  
Geoff Baker  
The Seattle Times  
“No owner’s fortunes sink along with M’s”

**2nd place**  
George Schroeder  
The Register-Guard  
“Pressed to serve”

**3rd place**  
Steve Miletich, Eric Pryne, Emily Heffter  
The Seattle Times  
“Arena proposal surfaces”

**Sports Feature Story**

**1st place**  
Rachel Bachman  
The Oregonian  
“Nike’s holy grail”

**2nd place**  
Anne M. Peterson  
Associated Press  
“No minivans or orange slices: PNW soccer is cool”

**3rd place**  
Ryan Divish  
The News Tribune  
“Eric Wedge”

**Sports Column**

**1st place**  
Jerry Brewer  
The Seattle Times  

**2nd place**  
George Schroeder  
The Register-Guard  

**3rd place**  
John Canzano  
The Oregonian  

**Editorial & Commentary**

**1st place**  
Susan Nielsen  
The Oregonian  

**2nd place**  
Lynne Varner  
The Seattle Times  

**3rd place**  
Joni Balter  
The Seattle Times  

**General Column**

**1st place**  
Steve Duin  
The Oregonian  

**2nd place**  
Danny Westneat  
The Seattle Times  

**3rd place**  
Lynne Varner  
The Seattle Times
**Page Design**

1st place
Rick Lund, Aaron Jaffe, Gabriel Campanario
The Seattle Times

2nd place
Susan Jouflas
The Seattle Times

3rd place
Mark Evans
The Seattle Times

**Headlines**

1st place
Bill Kossen
The Seattle Times

2nd place
Amy Reinfenrath
The Oregonian

3rd place
Paul Johnson
The Register-Guard

**News Photography**

1st place
Randy L. Rasmussen
The Oregonian
“Pepper spray”

2nd place
Dean Rutz
The Seattle Times
“Vancouver riots after Stanley Cup loss”

3rd place
Kathy Plonka
The Spokesman-Review
“Extending a warming welcome”

**Feature Photography**

1st place
Alan Berner
The Seattle Times
“Love on the Run”

2nd place
Dan Pelle
The Spokesman-Review
“Seasonal suspension”

3rd place
Alan Berner
The Seattle Times
“Occupy protest kiss”

**Sports Photography**

1st place
John Lok
The Seattle Times
“Driver leaps from burning hydroplane”

2nd place
Lui Wong
The News Tribune
“Maureen Tremblay”

3rd place
Brian Davies
The Register-Guard
“Claire Thomas tangles with the hurdle”
Photo Page – Story or Essay

1st place
Paul Carter & Rob Romig
The Register-Guard
“Called to duty”

2nd place
Steve Ringman
The Seattle Times
“Elwha: The grand experiment to tear down two dams…”

3rd place
Dean Koepfler
The News Tribune
“Labor Day photos”

Photo Portfolio

1st place
Erika Schultz
The Seattle Times

2nd place
Alan Berner
The Seattle Times

3rd place
Dan Pelle
The Spokesman-Review