

# 2017 All Ohio Excellence in Journalism Awards

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Hathaway Brown

## All Ohio Excellence in Journalism

### Welcome



Journalism matters.  
It's more than a T-shirt slogan. (Although we encourage you to buy our Press Club T-shirts.)

And the evidence is right before your eyes right now: the program for our 39th annual All Ohio Excellence in Journalism Awards, with dozens of examples of award-winning journalism that matters, done by journalists who care.

Again this year, we had a record number of entries, with more than 900, from around the state. The entries are judged by Press Club members from across the nation. This year, that includes journalists from New Orleans,

Western Pennsylvania, Los Angeles, Idaho, Milwaukee, San Francisco, San Diego, Syracuse and Arizona. We do this to remove any hint of favoritism and to reinforce that the judging of our awards is completely independent of our club.

Excellence in Journalism award-winners, in that great Northeast Ohio tradition, have earned it.

Journalism also isn't free. We thank FirstEnergy Corp. for being the Press Club's corporate sponsor. We also thank the Cleveland Browns for sponsoring our awards reception, PR Newswire for its supporting sponsorship and the House of Blues for again playing host.

Tonight, while you're celebrating your awards at our event, I hope you'll join me in thanking Lee Moran, Press Club board member and chair of

The Press Club of Cleveland



the Excellence in Journalism awards committee, as well as our ace staffers Lynn Bracic and Debi Weslek.

Finally, congratulations to all our winners and entrants. Your hard work makes a difference. Your dedication is inspiring. And damn right your journalism matters.

**Thom Fladung,**  
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STUDENT RUN MEDIA

**BEST PRINT NEWSPAPER STORY  
2 YEAR/TRADE SCHOOL**

**First Place**

Credit rollover program proposal would benefit students

**Rebecca Marion**

Lorain County Community College  
*Solid reporting highlights a proposal that might help students wring the most value from their studies at a discount. Interesting report.*

**Second Place**

School Price Matching Policy

**Dylan Doyle**

Tri-C  
*This report looks at a new book-buying program with important benefits for students. It's a service to students to publicize a resource that will save them money.*

**Third Place**

A students comprehensive guide to financial aid

**Rebecca Marion**

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Lorain County Community College

*This overview provides a service by introducing many of the grants and scholarships available for students to continue their studies. Especially timely and relevant for today's campuses.*

**BEST PRINT SPORTS STORY  
2 YEAR/TRADE SCHOOL**

**First Place**

Lopez shatters womens basketball scoring record

**Cody Grossman**

Lorain County Community College  
*Interesting story about an athlete who was determined to succeed despite the obstacles she faced. Compelling and uplifting.*

**Second Place**

Anatomy of a season

**Mark Perez-Krywany**

Lorain County Community College

**Third Place**

Third Slot and Movin' On Up at the OCCA Conference

**Brittany Bosowski**

Tri-C

**BEST PRINT FEATURE STORY  
2 YEAR /TRADE SCHOOL**

**First Place**

Suicide on campus: social media a contributing factor

**Kristin Hohman**

Lorain County Community College  
*A remarkable, comprehensive, well-written series. The writer obviously put her heart and soul into exploring such a complicated topic. Excellent - just outstanding.*

**Second Place**

Mental Health on campus: Disorders ravage colleges

**Kristin Hohman**

Lorain County Community College  
*Another excellent series about health issues that affect so many. Well done!*

**Third Place**

Monte:The Life of a Service Dog

**Rebecca Marion**

Lorain County Community College  
*This is interesting and different. I loved how the writer merged poignant*

*photography shots with a meaningful short story. Unusual in a good way!*

**BEST ONLINE REPORT  
TRADE/2 YEAR SCHOOL**

**First Place**

Ballinger named 6th president of LCCC

**Kristin Hohman, Rebecca Marion,**

**Charlotte Weiss, Angela Casey**

Lorain County Community College  
*This article brought more than just an appointment of a new President. Historical and social relevance of the appointment of Dr Ballinger provides added interest to this article. Well done for a story that conveys excitement for the future of the Lorain County Community College.*

**Second Place**

LCCC professor, students create life-saving sensor

**Christina Vega**

Lorain County Community College  
*This article introduces an exciting scientific development by students and professor that will impact the lives of*

*both infant and parents. While the article would benefit by additional links and information, the journalist leaves room for a follow-up on this new technology.*

**BEST PRINT NEWS STORY  
4 YEAR SCHOOL**

**First Place**

A Mother's Story: Losing Dylan

**Ian Flickinger**

Kent State University

*I give very few 10s when judging. Can anyone write a perfect story. Sure, all judging is subjective. But I was close to tears on this one. And the things I learned. 75% of first time users can be hooked. Must do everything we can to protect our children.*

**Second Place**

FBI investigates Pino for alleged ISIS ties

**Emily Mills**

Kent State University

*Was hard to decide second and third place winners. This is a good example of straight and in-depth reporting. Liked writing and student reaction.*

# Congratulations to our 2017 Press Club of Cleveland Excellence in Journalism winners!

### PLAIN DEALER PUBLISHING CO.

John Caniglia  
Jo Ellen Corrigan  
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Susan Glaser

Lynn Ischay  
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Jane Mitchell  
Chris Morris

Teresa Murray  
Margaret Riedel  
Brie Zeltner

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**Third Place**  
 Ex-softball player sues KSU for alleged rape cover-up  
**Stephen Means, Emily Mills, Jimmy Miller, Ian Flickinger**  
 Kent State University  
*Good writing and layout with time-line. Glad to see that enough space given for complete story to be told.*

## BEST ONLINE REPORT 4 YEAR SCHOOL

**First Place**  
 Former Kent State softball player files lawsuit against university for alleged rape cover-up  
**Stephen Means, Emily Mills, Jimmy Miller, Ian Flickinger**  
 Kent State University

**Second Place**  
 Accused professor denies alleged links to ISIS  
**Emily Mills, Ian Klein, Cameron Gorman**  
 Kent State University

**Third Place**  
 A sound, fundamental relationship  
**Nick Buzzelli**  
 Kent State University

## BUSINESS PUBLICATIONS GENERAL NEWS

**First Place**  
 FirstEnergy coverage  
**Dan Shingler**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Extra points for taking on a difficult, potentially bone-dry topic and turning into an understandable, readable topic.*

**Second Place**  
 Rebuilding Cleveland and Akron  
**Staff**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Takes on deeper issues behind revitalizing and redeveloping rusting parts of the landscape*

**Third Place**  
 Embracing the lake and river  
**Staff**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business

## FEATURES: PERSONALITY PROFILE

**First Place**  
 Ohio State's Ali Rezaei: At outer reaches of neuroscience, search to end suffering  
**Carrie Ghose**  
 Business First  
*Struck a great balance between writing for lay people, while not dumbing down this fascinating story.*

**Second Place**  
 Mark Smucker  
**Dan Shingler**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business

**Third Place**  
 The guy everyone wants to meet: Columbus' small biz concierge  
**Dan Eaton**  
 Business First

## FEATURES: GENERAL

**First Place**  
 Force were way ahead of the times  
**Kevin Kleps**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Unexpected and well-written, researched*

**Second Place**  
 Inside the battle for Navidea: Investors holding out hope  
**Carrie Ghose**  
 Business First

**Third Place**  
 For the Benefit of All the People Forever  
**Joanne Parrino Cahill**  
 Cleveland Magazine's Community Leaders

## FEATURES: PACKAGE

**First Place**  
 Embracing the lake and river  
**Staff**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Well-crafted and engaging.*

**Second Place**  
 Work-Life (Im)Balance: Is balance possible in an age of blurred work-life boundaries?  
**Jennifer Keirn, Kathy Ames Carr**  
 Beyond Magazine

**Third Place**  
 Inside Acura's NSX supercar plant

**Dan Eaton, Doug Buchanan**  
 Business First

## FEATURES: TRENDS

**First Place**  
 Growing marijuana business  
**Jeremy Nobile**  
 Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Cutting edge, fascinating*

**Second Place**  
 For rent ...you wish  
**Tom Demeropolis**  
 Cincinnati Business Courier

**Third Place**  
 Columbus CEO Trends: Millennials on the Move  
**Jennifer Wray**  
 Columbus C.E.O. Magazine

## PUBLIC SERVICE/INVESTIGATIVE

**First Place**  
 The Streetcar Effect: Streetcar triggers millions in development along line  
**Chris Wetterich, Tom Demeropolis**  
 Cincinnati Business Courier  
*Impressive dig into nitty-gritty data*

# Congratulations to all Press Club winners

## ESPECIALLY OUR OWN

**Pictorial - All Others**  
 Icicles Above the River  
 Steven Manheim

**Pictorial - All Others**  
 Frozen Covering  
 Steven Manheim

**Best Section**  
 The Chronicle-Telegram  
 Sports Staff

**Photo Journalism**  
 All Others  
 RNC in CLE  
 Kristin Bauer

**Photo Journalism**  
 All Others  
 Hurlers Times 3  
 Kristin Bauer

**General News: Single Story**  
 Trial's jurors express reservations after verdict in rape case  
 Brad Dicken

**Features: Personality Profile**  
 Memories of War  
 Jon Wysochanski

**Election 2016 Coverage:**  
 Presidential conventions:  
 Tale of two cities  
 Staff

**Technology Writing**  
 Boom (One way to get rid of a bomb...)  
 Brad Dicken

**A-1 News Front Daily and Non-Daily Newspapers**  
 Jennifer Lyon  
 Jennifer Lyon

**A-1 News Front- Daily and Non-Daily Newspapers**  
 Body of Work  
 Benjamin Nagy

**General News Column**  
 Children suffer a lot when parents do drugs  
 Rini Jeffers

**Single Editorial**  
 Will has proven he's not afraid of a fight  
 Andy Young

**Headline Writing Newspapers (Daily & Non Daily)**  
 TGI Frye Day  
 Kevin Aprile

**Breaking News: Single-Day Package**  
 Kidnap suspect in police custody  
 Brad Dicken, Lisa Roberson  
 Jon Wysochanski

**Features: General**  
 From Kennel 15 to kids best friend  
 Rini Jeffers

**Photo Journalism Daily Newspaper**  
 Creepy baby  
 Bruce Bishop

**Infographics**  
 The Browns coaching carousel  
 Vince Guerrieri

**Sports - Daily Newspaper**  
 Monsters Win Calder Cup  
 Kristin Bauer

**General News Daily Newspaper**  
 Melee Breaks out in RNC Press Room  
 Kristin Bauer

**General News Daily Newspaper**  
 Explosive assignment  
 Bruce Bishop

**General Feature Daily Newspaper**  
 A Hair Raising Experience  
 Steven Manheim

**Arts & Entertainment**  
 Small Town Monsters  
 Ashley Fox

**Business**  
 Sandridge  
 Bob Finnan

**Best Section**  
 Best section: Medina County  
 Gazette sports staff

**Features: Personality Profile**  
 Gift of Time  
 Ashley Fox

**Sports**  
 Love of Baseball Began with Keeping Score  
 Lawrence Pantages

**Technology Writing**  
 How dangerous are pipelines  
 Marina Malenic

**Features: General**  
 Strange bedfellows  
 David Knox

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# THE GAZETTE

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**Second Place**  
Columbus CEO Public Service:  
Diversification Strategy  
**Julie Bhusal Sharma**  
Columbus C.E.O. Magazine

**Third Place**  
How to Beat the Bloom  
**Jill Sell**  
Cleveland Magazine's Community Leader

**DEPARTMENTS OR COLUMNS**

**First Place**  
Uniquely Cleveland  
**Staff**  
Smart Business  
*Lots of "wow" here...!*

**Second Place**  
Conversation: Look who Richard Osborne  
is talking to this month  
**Richard Osborne**  
Cleveland Magazine's Community  
Leaders

**Third Place**  
Columbus CEO Columns-Editor's notes,  
February and October  
**Mary Yost**  
Columbus C.E.O. Magazine

**BEST BUSINESS  
PUBLICATION  
IN OHIO**

**First Place**  
**Crain's Cleveland Business  
Staff**  
*Great writing all around... Not a weak  
story anywhere.*

**Second Place**  
**Business First  
Staff**  
Columbus Business First

**Third Place**  
**Cincinnati Business Courier  
Staff**

**DAILY NEWSPAPERS  
BREAKING NEWS:  
CONSECUTIVE DAYS- SAME TOPIC**

**First Place**  
Harambe's Death  
**Staff**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
*An outstanding team effort to provide  
complete coverage of this heart rendering  
story from the news reports to the  
diagrams to an editorial column. The*

*shooting of the ape was controversial, but  
the Enquirer's balanced coverage is just  
what was needed.*

**Second Place**  
Huntington to acquire Akron's FirstMerit  
**Staff Akron Beacon Journal**  
Akron Beacon Journal  
*The bank merge is explored through  
a variety of angles, including possible  
effects on the local job scene and  
economy. This reporting is important for  
keeping its readership informed of this  
important topic that must be of interest  
to many.*

**Third Place**  
The abduction and murder of college  
student Sierah Joughin  
**Vanessa McCray, Lauren Lindstorm,  
Jon Victor**  
The Blade (Toledo)  
*Strong coverage of this story from the  
beginning to tragic end. Background of  
a seemingly similar case and comments  
from that victim – who survived – added  
to completeness of coverage.*

**BREAKING NEWS: ONGOING  
COVERAGE**

**First Place**  
Pike County Killings  
**Chris Graves**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer

**Second Place**  
The abduction and murder of college  
student Sierah Joughin  
**Blade Staff**  
The Blade (Toledo)

**BREAKING NEWS: SINGLE-DAY  
PACKAGE**

**First Place**  
The Tensing Mistrial  
**Staff**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer

**Second Place**  
Kidnap suspect in police custody  
**Brad Dicken, Lisa Roberson, Jon  
Wysochanski**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

**Third Place**  
Scarborough Out  
**Staff**  
Akron Beacon Journal

**GENERAL NEWS: SINGLE STORY**

**First Place**  
Chaos in the cockpit  
**Paula Schleis**  
Akron Beacon Journal  
*Outstanding job of reporting. The story  
is rich in detail, including the pilot's  
backgrounds and the details of the crash.  
A very complete  
first story of the crash the crash. Photos  
help tell the story. Great job!*

**Second Place**  
The Height of Danger  
**Carrie Blackmore Smith**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
*A well-documented look at accidents and  
deaths of people who drop from/jump  
from a popular peak in a park. Well-  
written, the story also is told through the  
photos of the site. This piece should serve  
as a wake-up call to people  
thinking of visiting the park.*

**Third Place**  
Trials jurors express reservations after  
verdict in rape case  
**Brad Dicken**  
The Chronicle-Telegram  
*This story demonstrates good reporting.  
The reporter got three jurors to speak on  
the record regarding their doubts about  
a verdict they were part of reaching.  
The story packs a lot of information into  
one story, including the background of  
the case. Well-written and the reporter  
deserves credit for initiative in getting the  
story.*

**GENERAL NEWS:  
MULTIPLE STORIES- SAME TOPIC**

**First Place**  
Ohio Politics Beat  
**Julie Carr Smyth**  
Associated Press  
*It's hard to stand out in political coverage,  
but this package of stories includes a  
profile of John Kasich that shows a side  
unseen in most mainstream reporting;  
an interesting look at how memory of  
a colorful state politician ( U.S. Rep.  
James A. Traficant) was impacting the  
presidential race; and some nice digging  
on Kasich's travel expenses. I felt like the  
reporter was thinking outside the box and  
consistently showed initiative.*

**Second Place**  
Cincinnati Zoo Gorilla (Harambe):  
**Dan Sewell, John Seewer, Andrew  
Welsh Huggins, Julie Carr Smyth**  
Associated Press  
*I felt like this series made a solid effort  
at accountability reporting, asking what  
was the zoo's responsibility, what was  
the parent's responsibility and what  
could have been done differently. I also  
appreciated that the stories weren't all  
long narratives. The package included a  
Q&A. Sometimes readers need that type  
of break.*

**Third Place**  
Homeless woman gets home, still keep  
her dog, Cow  
**Alexandra Mester**  
The Blade (Toledo)  
*I liked this series because it was  
unexpected. I've read plenty of stories  
about homelessness over the years, but  
I've never read about how having a pet  
both provides safety and makes it harder  
to get services. It would be easy to dismiss  
this as just a dog story, but the reporter  
went deeper and took the subject's plight  
seriously. As with my **first place** choice,  
it shows unconventional, enterprising  
thinking, which I'd like to see more often  
in news coverage these days.*

**FEATURES: PERSONALITY PROFILE**

**First Place**  
Memories of War  
**Jon Wysochanski**  
The Chronicle-Telegram  
*Just a beautifully told tale. You transport  
the reader to another time. Throughout,  
Mr. Pycraft's voice comes through -  
humble, clear and moving. Well done.*

**Second Place**  
Gift of Time  
**Ashley Fox**  
Medina County Gazette  
*A heart-breaking story told warmly yet  
with restraint. Beautiful.*

**Third Place**  
Roller coaster life of 1996 Olympic gold-  
medal gymnast Dominique Moceanu  
reaches another peak  
**Marla Ridenour**  
Akron Beacon Journal  
*A great piece with a compelling lead-in  
and revealing quotes. Nicely done.*

**FEATURES: GENERAL**

**First Place**  
Finding Home  
**Hannah Sparling, Meg Vogel**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer

**Second Place**  
Strange bedfellows  
**David Knox**  
Medina County Gazette

**Third Place**  
From Kennel 15 to kids best friend  
**Rini Jeffers**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

**First Place**  
Pathways to peace  
**Staff**  
The Plain Dealer  
*An ambitious, comprehensive,  
multidimensional look at a seemingly  
intractable problem. This series explores  
the subject in depth. I like that the focus is  
both macro and micro, telling the bigger  
picture and bringing it to life with stories  
about real people.*

**Second Place**  
Your Vote Ohio  
**Staff Your Vote Ohio**  
Akron Beacon Journal  
*A good attempt to try something different,  
something would resonate with readers/  
voters. A good effort at making election  
coverage more substantive.*

**Third Place**  
Fighting Verizon data charges  
**Teresa Dixon Murray, John Caniglia,  
Jo Ellen Corrigan**  
The Plain Dealer  
*Nobody's really looking out for cell phone  
users (that is, just about everyone), so it's  
good to see a news organization try to fill  
that gap and expose problems that could  
have easily remained hidden.*

**INVESTIGATIVE**

**First Place**  
Metropolitan Sewer District  
**Dan Horn, Sharon Coolidge**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
*What a civic mess...literally and  
figuratively! The Enquirer's relentless  
digging (no pun intended) uncovered  
the out-of- control sewer system  
management, which was heavy on*

spending and low on accountability. Impressive reporting resulted in a public service to taxpayers and citizens that hopefully prodded the city to investigate and get the system back under control.

**Second Place**

Reaching for recovery: 2-part series examining two years of drug overdose calls in Lucas County, Ohio

**Lauren Lindstrom**

The Blade (Toledo)  
The opioid epidemic is not only claiming lives but straining the resources of those trying to save them. This investigative work lays out the story in a way that should wake up the community and lead to more solutions to treat this epidemic.

**Third Place**

Fighting Verizon data charges  
**Teresa Dixon Murray, John Caniglia, Jo Ellen Corrigan**  
The Plain Dealer  
Great lead and examples of average people at war with Verizon. Story is well documented and brings home how such hug billing jumps – and why they occur – can affect anyone. This is a topic that deserves such in-depth journalistic attention.

**BUSINESS**

**First Place**

The Rise of Christian Tourism  
**James Pilcher**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
These stories are riveting and explore various aspects of the trend in religious-based theme parks – from the economic to religious items on display. Good use of experts and a lot of initiative on the part of the reporter.

**Second Place**

Sandridge  
**Bob Finnan**  
Medina County Gazette  
Interesting, well-written profile of a family business that has chosen its products and markets carefully to become one of the largest such manufacturer in the country.

**Third Place**

Area house prices are rising, but recovery uneven at best  
**Michelle Jarboe**  
The Plain Dealer

Detailed account of rise and fall of housing prices in many Cleveland neighbors. Full of useful information and maps.

**SPORTS**

**First Place**

Being Andy Dalton  
**Jim Owczarski**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
The reporting and sourcing are outstanding, and the detailed writing keeps you engaged from first graph to last. The anecdotes mined from Dalton's past acquaintances breathe extra life into the narrative. A prime example of what you can produce with commitments of time, effort, space and talent.

**Second Place**

Love of Baseball Began with Keeping Score  
**Lawrence Pantages**  
Medina County Gazette  
An enticing blend of nostalgia and current events that works on an emotional level. You can almost picture long-suffering Indians fans nodding along with every new beat, and sharing the hope that this will finally be the year.

**Third Place**

MAC schools' cost of athletics up 75% over last 10 years / UT, BG student fee subsidize least

**Nick Piotrowicz**

The Blade (Toledo)  
Excellent, in-depth reporting and legwork that provides a clear, well-structured examination of an under-the-radar issue. Fact-finding sports journalism that informs and, most likely, surprises those who read it.

**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

**First Place**

Copland's Fanfare: The Making of a Musical Monument  
**Janelle Gelfand, Carol Motsinger**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
This is a wonderfully detailed look at a beloved American composition, including its history, Cincinnati debut, opinions of conductors and why it remains so beloved. An impressive, well researched and written series of stories by a group of reporters

**Second Place**

Small Town Monsters

**Ashley Fox**

Medina County Gazette  
Interesting look at how a local man was able to finance and make a film.

**BEST SECTION**

**First Place**

Medina County Gazette Sports  
**Staff**  
Medina County Gazette  
The Gazette has excellent, overall coverage of sports that its readers are interested in – from professionals to high school athletes. The in-depth coverage of local high school athletics is particularly impressive. Well done.

**Second Place**

The Chronicle-Telegram Sports  
**Staff**  
The Chronicle-Telegram  
Coverage of professional sports is well done. The mission statement says that "local is the priority" at The Chronicle-Telegram. Of the sections submitted, most are focused on professional athletes/teams (likely because of their success this past year) – which seems inconsistent with the paper's stated mission. The major exception to this, of course, is The Blitz. Here, high school football is the focus and is comprehensive in its coverage.

**BEST DAILY NEWSPAPER**  
IN OHIO: 75,000 or less circulation

**First Place**

The Chronicle-Telegram  
**Staff**

**Second Place**

Medina County Gazette  
**Staff**

**BEST DAILY NEWSPAPER**  
IN OHIO: More than 75,000 circulation

**First Place**

The Plain Dealer  
Strong writing across the board. The in-depth reporting on gun violence and efforts to curb it in "Pathways to Peace" especially stood out. Reporters did a good job weaving together data and on-the-ground reporting. I also liked the page design throughout the paper.

**Second Place**

Akron Beacon Journal  
Great job writing and reporting. Among

the highlights: The final moments in the cockpit before the Akron plane crash, the report on autopsies, the fired officers. There was great local reporting in the post-election Community, and I enjoyed the illustrations of the basketball players in the May 1st edition.

**DIGITAL MEDIA**

**PODCAST**

**First Place**

Accused: The Unsolved Murder of Elizabeth Andes  
**Amber Hunt, Amanda Rossmann, Amy Wilson**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
Visual and audio feast. This entertaining podcast is worth a listen and the presentation rocks.

**NEWSPAPER WEBSITE**

**First Place**

Cincinnati.com  
**Staff**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
A very easy to navigate site that is compelling to read

**Second Place**

toledoblade.com

**Blade Staff**

The Blade (Toledo)

**Third Place**

Cincinnati Business Courier  
**Erin Caproni, Staff**

**BREAKING NEWS SINGLE STORY**

**First Place**

EF Hutton  
**Tristan Navera**  
Dayton Business Journal

**Second Place**

Joseph C. Mandel dies at 102

**Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

**USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA**

**First Place**

Election Night Facebook Live  
**Staff**  
WKSU

**Second Place**

#RNCinCLE Coverage  
**Staff**  
Cleveland Magazine

**ONLINE STORYTELLING**

**First Place**

Finding Home  
**Online Staff**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
Clean, easy to understand and tugs at the heartstrings... this is a story told that can be read from beginning to end with an understanding that evokes emotion and reflection.

**Second Place**

Accused: The Unsolved Murder of Elizabeth Andes  
**Online Staff**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer  
Where this series excelled as a podcast it just fell short of the compelling storytelling using all mediums available to digital.

**MAGAZINE WEBSITE**

**First Place**

Cleveland Magazine Website  
**Staff**  
Cleveland Magazine

**Second Place**

ohiomagazine.com  
**Staff**  
Ohio Magazine

**Third Place**

cincinnatiimagazine.com  
**Amy Brownlee**  
Cincinnati Magazine

**TELEVISION NEWS WEBSITE**

**First Place**

WKYC.com  
**Denise Polverine, Kierra Cotton, Amy Hansen, Matt Florjancic, Ryan Haidet, Dave DeNatale, Stephanie Metzger, Kim Wendel**  
WKYC  
Very informative and easy to navigate website

**ONLINE GENERAL NEWS STORY**

**First Place**

Commercial Real Estate Coverage  
**Tom Demeropolis**  
Cincinnati Business Courier  
The business of real estate affects everyone. The stories told here don't need a close eye to understand that this will impact citizens of the community.

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### **Second Place**

Navidea continuing coverage of lender dispute

### **Carrie Ghose**

Business First

### **ONLINE FEATURE STORY**

#### **First Place**

Fun down below

#### **John Walsh**

John Carroll University

*A great story has a beginning, middle and end. Entertain me in between those parts and you'll keep me engaged. Grab me with a the first few paragraphs and I might hang around on the page before clicking out. Good job here.*

#### **Second Place**

Your gracious hosts

#### **John Walsh**

John Carroll University

*The content is solid. The story telling is textbook.*

#### **Third Place**

Halting A Crisis Series

#### **Elaine Guregian, Dana Goehring**

Northeast Ohio Medical University

*Good content.*

### **BLOGS**

#### **First Place**

Business of sports

#### **Kevin Kleps**

Crain's Cleveland Business

*Slick writing that makes me feel like I'm talking to one of my sports buddies. Good insight and clever angles on each topic. This is what a sports blog should be.*

### **ANALYSIS**

#### **First Place**

They're Trump's People Now

#### **Chrissie Thompson, Michael Nyerges**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

*Only one entrant in this category, but deservedly a winner. Analysis was spot on with good interviews and descriptive writing enhanced by well designed infographics. As the reporter concluded, unemployed, once hard-working voters felt they had been marginalized and wanted to be heard. Their voice echoed in the privacy of the voting booth with the name Trump on their lips.*

### **INFOGRAPHICS**

#### **First Place**

The Browns coaching carousel

#### **Vince Guerrieri**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*This is a well done timeline showing the history of the Browns' organization.*

#### **Second Place**

Michael Nyerges' work

#### **Michael Nyerges**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

### **BEST WEBSITE IN OHIO**

#### **First Place**

Dayton Business Journal

#### **Staff**

#### **Second Place**

Cincinnati Business Courier website

#### **Erin Caproni, Staff**

Cincinnati Business Courier

#### **Third Place**

Ohio.com

#### **Darrin Werbeck, Dan Kadar, Deanna Stevens**

Akron Beacon Journal

### **GENERAL CIRCULATION MAGAZINES**

### **NEWS**

#### **First Place**

This Place Is Now A Home

#### **James Bigley II**

Cleveland Magazine

#### **Second Place**

'This Should Not Be Happening In Our City'

#### **Sheehan Hannan**

Cleveland Magazine

#### **Third Place**

Rampage in the Wex

#### **Dave Ghose**

Columbus Monthly

### **FEATURES: PERSONALITY PROFILE**

#### **First Place**

Home Game

#### **Adam Flango**

Cincinnati Magazine

#### **Second Place**

Eyes of the Tiger

#### **James Bigley II**

Cleveland Magazine

#### **Third Place**

"Life is Incredible. The Good and the Bad."

#### **Suzanne Goldsmith**

Columbus Monthly

### **FEATURES: GENERAL**

#### **First Place**

The Fight of Their Lives

#### **Lisa Murtha**

Cincinnati Magazine

*Great use of interviews and data. Strong writing. Honest but compassionate descriptions of women, their experiences, and their challenges. Heartbreaking, but so important. Well done.*

#### **Second Place**

Moments Lost, Moments Gained

#### **Colleen Smittek**

Cleveland Magazine

*An intimate look into an increasingly common disease. I like that the writer put herself in the story – a risky move that doesn't always translate well, but she made it work.*

#### **Third Place**

Dance Like Everyone Is Watching

#### **Justin Williams**

Cincinnati Magazine

*Great descriptive writing that puts the reader at the competition with the dancers.*

### **FEATURES: CONSUMER**

#### **First Place**

Chop Shops

#### **Staff**

Cincinnati Magazine

*A very detailed and richly written guide to the best in local butchers and how to enjoy their wares*

#### **Second Place**

Trump Takes Cleveland

#### **Steve Gleydura, Kim Schneider**

Cleveland Magazine

*The Republican National Convention, from attractions and events to the people who will be there, is laid out for locals along with political commentary*

#### **Third Place**

Crosstown Shoutout

#### **Staff**

Cincinnati Magazine

*A folksy look at the quirks, attractions and appeal of two different sides of the city*

### **FEATURES: ART**

#### **First Place**

Art & Mind

#### **Jason Brill**

Cleveland Magazine

#### **Second Place**

A beautiful mind

#### **Michael C. Butz**

Cleveland Jewish News

#### **Third Place**

A different kind of tension

#### **Carlo Wolff**

Cleveland Jewish News

### **PUBLIC SERVICE/INVESTIGATIVE**

#### **First Place**

'This Should Not Be Happening In Our City'

#### **Sheehan Hannan**

Cleveland Magazine

*Gun violence stories are everywhere, but the narrative writing in this one made it something that will stick with the reader.*

#### **Second Place**

The Lost Ones

#### **James Bigley II**

Cleveland Magazine

*Every local news outlet could do a public service by taking this approach to covering the homeless and precariously housed.*

### **DEPARTMENTS OR COLUMNS**

#### **First Place**

The Dish

#### **Kim Schneider**

Cleveland Magazine

*Great design, and nice food descriptions. The food photography was well-done, and I liked the mix of reviews, dining guides and recipes.*

#### **Second Place**

Lake Effect

#### **Staff**

Cleveland Magazine

*I loved the page design and graphics. Nice features. The combination of punchy writing and graphics makes this stand out.*

#### **Third Place**

Good News, Dad News

#### **Joel Oliphint**

Columbus Parent

*Strong column writing voice, with relatable stories to get his point across.*

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### **BEST MAGAZINE IN OHIO**

#### **First Place**

Cincinnati Magazine

#### **Staff**

*Rich and layered with an unmistakable sense of place*

#### **Second Place**

Columbus Monthly

#### **Staff**

*High-quality journalism in a readable and interesting magazine*

#### **Third Place**

Cleveland Magazine

#### **Staff**

*Quirky, fun and useful for its readers*

### **NON-DAILY NEWSPAPERS**

### **BREAKING NEWS**

#### **First Place**

Joseph Mandel leaves philanthropic legacy across the world

#### **Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

*Impressive level of coverage of a local Jewish philanthropist. The reporters didn't miss any detail of his life, business and many gifts. This is especially notable given deadline.*

#### **Second Place**

Oberlin probing assistant professor over anti-Semitic posts

#### **Kristen Mott**

Cleveland Jewish News

*Good job if digging into the situation from both sides. Quotes are strong as is explanation of why the controversial professor is still teaching.*

#### **Third Place**

Sweet Memories Pincus Bakery closes after 48 years

#### **Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

*A fond look at the closing of a local institution that captures the sweet memories and what it meant to the community.*

### **FEATURES: PERSONALITY PROFILE**

#### **First Place**

From Rio to Cleveland: Raisman reflects on Jewish Heritage as rugged schedule continues

#### **Amanda Koehn**

Cleveland Jewish News

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*Best in this category. Olympians are interviewed a lot, but this takes a fresh angle – how Alt Raisman views and practices her Jewish faith, a challenge given her training and travel. Reporter provides an interesting insight into this Olympic medalist.*

**Second Place**  
Anyway Records celebrates 25 years

**Joel Oliphint**  
Columbus Alive  
*Interesting profile of the record company, and, more importantly, the man behind it. Good quotes and details, although it rambles at times and is a bit too long.*

**Third Place**  
Dawson casting “lifelines” to fellow veterans

**Kevin Corvo**  
This Week Newspapers  
*Nicely written and interesting*

**FEATURES: GENERAL**

**First Place**  
Indians fans share memories of 1948 World Series

**Amanda Koehn**  
Cleveland Jewish News  
*A fun story of past Indian World Series memories by people who were there. Each profile moved nicely.*

**Second Place**  
You don’t know Dicks: The history of the Old North dive bar from the people who lived it

**Andy Downing**  
Columbus Alive  
*Interesting “in their own words” story tracing the history of a local dive bar.*

**Third Place**  
3-D-printed prosthetics model future

**Sarah Sole**  
This Week Newspapers  
*Good explanation of technical terms make this story easy to understand.*

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

**First Place**  
Will pledge to voters be broken?  
**Kelly Kaczala, Melissa Burden**  
The Press  
*Solid reporting enables tax- payers to*

*see where their money – especially new levies for education – are going. Well documented and traces history of where different monies went.*

**Second Place**  
Hot in the City: Urban temperatures are rising faster than in rural areas

**Joel Oliphint**  
Columbus Alive  
*Good exploration of an environmental topic that few readers have probably never heard of. This article educates and can open discussion.*

**Third Place**  
Jewish community commits to fight human trafficking in Northeast Ohio  
**Michael C. Butz**  
Cleveland Jewish News  
*Well sourced and written look at human trafficking...and that it does go on locally. Good quotes from several sources strengthen story.*

**SPORTS**

**First Place**  
Upping His Game

**Frank DiRenna**  
This Week Newspapers  
*Interesting, well-written profile of a local football player who made it to the NFL. Parents’ quotes add a depth to the piece.*

**Second Place**  
Wood County Cage Tournament

**J. Patrick Eaken**  
The Press  
*Interesting, well-written look back at a piece of local basketball history. Stories like this bring back many memories for readers.*

**Third Place**  
Recruiting standard undergoing review

**Dave Purpura**  
This Week Newspapers  
*An important look at recruiting and commitment in college lacrosse recruiting even stretching down to grade school level. An eye opener that should be read by anyone involved in the sport.*

**ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

**First Place**  
Columbus music community wrestles

The Press Club of Cleveland

with allegations of sexual assault in the local scene

**Andy Downing**  
Columbus Alive  
*This is an eye-opening and disturbing piece of journalism. Multiple sources and points of view about sexual assault in the music business are expressed clearly and in detail. It also addressed an important question of a person being treated as guilty of assault when there has been no conviction.*

**Second Place**  
Charles Wince explores his blessing, curse

**Jim Fischer**  
Columbus Alive  
*Interesting and well-written story about an artist and how his work has been influenced and shaped by his earlier life experiences.*

**Third Place**  
Meet the Beatles Marathon

**Joel Oliphint**  
Columbus Alive  
*Detailed, fun look at a local musician*

**Congratulations to all those being honored tonight who Excel in Journalism!**



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**CANVAS**  
**Mitzvah**

**Cleveland Jewish News**  
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**CJPC EVENTS & CJPC CUSTOM PUBLICATIONS**

**Kevin S. Adelstein**  
President

**Bob Jacob**  
Managing Editor



and how he worked up to performing  
— with others — every song the Beatles  
ever recorded. Good quotes from various  
sources

**COMMUNITY / LOCAL COVERAGE**

**First Place**

Columbus music community wrestles  
with allegations of sexual assault in the  
local scene

**Andy Downing**

Columbus Alive

Story explores a topic that has not been  
prominent. The reporter effectively takes  
the broad view, exploring not only in-  
stances of sexual harassment or rape in  
the Columbus Music scene and the one in  
general), but how reports of it can affect  
the bookings of musicians who may not  
have been convicted of anything. A sticky  
and thought provoking topic explored well.

**Second Place**

Free speech or terrorist talk? Allegations  
around Kent State University professor

**Kristen Mott**

Cleveland Jewish News

Academic freedom, free speech and  
community concerns collided at Kent  
State. Good examination of these often  
conflicting principles and what, if any,  
resolutions can be reached.

**Third Place**

Community confronts safety issues in  
aftermath of Tyre King death

**Erica Thompson**

Columbus Alive

Story gets to the heart of community  
concerns over police shootings of black  
youth. Good use of quotes lets community  
members express their concerns and  
thoughts in their own words, which are  
powerful.

**BEST SECTION**

**First Place**

Cleveland Jewish News Local News  
Section

**Staff**

Cleveland Jewish News

Clean layout and good writing make  
the news section easy to read. Sharp  
headlines and copy editing are also  
notable.

**Second Place**

Westerville sports

**Staff**

This Week Newspapers

This does an excellent job of covering  
all kinds of sports. Good writing.

Photography is particularly strong.

**Third Place**

Cleveland Jewish News Education  
Section

**Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

Section covers a wide variety of education  
topics. Graphics and layout are clean and  
add to overall readability.

**BEST NON-DAILY  
NEWSPAPER IN OHIO:  
COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER**

**First Place**

Cincinnati Business Courier

**Staff**

Has all the characteristics of an  
outstanding weekly—strong reporting and  
writing, clean, attractive layout and eye-  
catching photos/illustration. In-depth  
reporting, such as the look at streetcars in  
Cincinnati, stand out as being especially  
informative to its target audience.

**Second Place**

Cleveland Jewish News

**Staff**

This weekly seems to capture all the news  
and features for the Cleveland Jewish  
community. Writing is bright with strong  
leads and front page layout are creative.  
This should be a “must read” for the local  
Jewish community.

**Third Place**

Chagrin Valley Times

**Staff**

This weekly does a good job of covering its  
community through a variety stories that  
are informative and well written. Layout is  
clean and easy on the eye.

**BEST NON-DAILY  
NEWSPAPER IN OHIO:  
ALTERNATIVES**

**First Place**

Columbus Alive

**Staff**

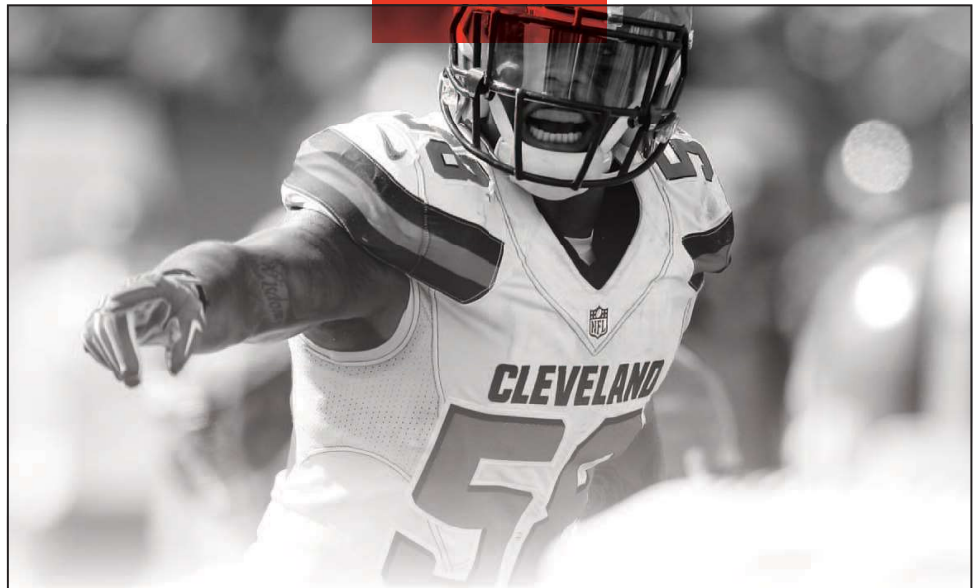
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**ELECTION 2016 COVERAGE:**

**First Place**

Presidential conventions: Tale of two  
cities

**Staff**



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#### **Second Place**

Anxious Ohio

**Jeremy Fugleberg, Jessie Balmert, Chrissie Thompson**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

#### **Third Place**

RNC Coverage

#### **Staff**

Cleveland Jewish News

#### **TECHNOLOGY WRITING**

##### **First Place**

The Future Is Now

**Jim Vickers**

Ohio Magazine

##### **Second Place**

How dangerous are pipelines

**Marina Malenic**

Medina County Gazette

##### **Third Place**

Boom (One way to get rid of a bomb...)

**Brad Dicken**

The Chronicle-Telegram

#### **MEDICAL / HEALTH WRITING**

##### **First Place**

Nationwide Children's ground-breaking

gene therapy helping fuel startup wins

**Carrie Ghose**

Business First

##### **Second Place**

Executive Health

**Barrett J. Brunzman**

Cincinnati Business Courier

##### **Third Place**

Cyclotron zaps tumors

**Barrett J. Brunzman**

Cincinnati Business Courier

#### **POLITICS / GOVERNMENT WRITING**

##### **First Place**

How many voters purged?

**Jessie Balmert**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

##### **Second Place**

John Kasich's presidential run: Was it

worth it?

**Chrissie Thompson**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

##### **Third Place**

The \$680M Memo

**Dan Horn, Sharon Coolidge**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

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#### **BEST IN OHIO:**

##### **STAFF REPORTER**

###### **First Place**

**Chris Graves**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

###### **Second Place**

**Dave Ghose**

Columbus Monthly

###### **Third Place**

**Rachel Dissell**

The Plain Dealer

##### **GENERAL NEWS COLUMN**

###### **First Place**

Children suffer a lot when parents do drugs

**Rini Jeffers**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*A timely story with a look into the residual impact of the opiate crisis on not only the children who are collateral damage but on society as whole. The writer signals how personal the effects could be for even those who think they are far removed from opiate abuse.*

###### **Second Place**

After an amazing comeback, the ultimate defeat

**Bob Dyer**

Akron Beacon Journal

*Really well told, like a mini novel.*

*Although you knew how the story ended, you really didn't know the details. Dyer weaved the story in a way that kept you reading and interested. He created a mystery that not only pulled the reader in but answered the "why" question humans always seek in a tragedy.*

###### **Third Place**

A Homeless Mom and the Kindness of

Strangers

**Chris Graves**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

*Just as the good samaritans where moved to help the homeless mother they saw on the road so does Graves' article invite others to share the spirit of caring. The generosity of the human spirit is alive and well and spreading thanks to Graves for telling this story.*

##### **SPORTS COLUMN**

###### **First Place**

LeBron James delivers tears of joy

**Marla Ridenour**

Akron Beacon Journal

###### **Second Place**

Ohio State-Michigan rivalry produces its greatest game

**Paul Daugherty**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

###### **Third Place**

Realignment makes Calos reluctant rivals

**Scott Hennen**

This Week Newspapers

##### **BUSINESS COLUMN**

###### **First Place**

How far have we really come?

**Elizabeth McIntyre**

Crain's Cleveland Business

*You can't ignore half the population.*

*Women should have equity with men*

*in the workplace. The three notable examples given in the article are mind boggling. What's worse is that thousands more could be cited. When women and men have parity, it will be a win-win for all. Business can and will flourish. It's time to stop the status quo and business as usual.*

###### **Second Place**

In baseball, it's three strikes and you're out

**Michael Feuer**

Smart Business

###### **Third Place**

Be open to advice: Pride cometh before the fall

**Fred Koury**

Smart Business

##### **LIFESTYLE**

###### **First Place**

A colorful character dies

**Mary Beth Breckenridge**

Akron Beacon Journal

###### **Second Place**

There goes the neighborhood - again

**David Budin**

Heights Observer

###### **Third Place**

Indomitable pheasant incites fear

**Mary Beth Breckenridge**

Akron Beacon Journal

##### **BEST IN OHIO: COLUMN**

###### **First Place**

**Marla Ridenour Sports Columnist**

Akron Beacon Journal

###### **Second Place**

**Keith Burris**

The Blade (Toledo)

###### **Third Place**

**Rini Jeffers**

The Chronicle-Telegram

##### **HEADLINE WRITING NEWSPAPERS (DAILY & NON DAILY)**

###### **First Place**

TGI Frye Day

**Kevin Aprile**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*Very creative use of the subject's name makes this headline a winner for the sports team.*

###### **Second Place**

Scheiner leaves Cleveland with a black eye

**Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

###### **Third Place**

Burkini brouhaha skirts big issue

**Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

##### **HEADLINE WRITING ALL OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

###### **First Place**

Starck Raving Cool

**Matthew Hall**

Boutique Design

*In a tough competition this headline expressed the perfect emotion for the story*

###### **Second Place**

Sibling Revelry

**Mary Scoviak**

Boutique Design

###### **Third Place**

*Felines, Fidos, Feces Freeze Florida*

*Facility's Functions*

**Lois A. Bowers**

McKnight's Senior Living

##### **BEST IN OHIO: HEADLINE WRITING**

###### **First Place**

**Kevin Aprile**

The Chronicle-Telegram

TGI Frye Day; Game of Throws; All nosing

Creator grabs win; Like 'Boys against

boys; Time to call Rent-A-Center

###### **Second Place**

**Tim Graham**

The Plain Dealer

###### **Third Place**

**Bill Krohn**

The Plain Dealer

##### **REVIEWS/CRITICISM**

###### **First Place**

A First Responder on Second Review

**Roderick L. Ingram Sr**

*Written for a medical related magazine, this top-notch article is written so that even laymen can easily understand it. Our jails are overcrowded and yet an estimated 320,00+ people are behind bars for crimes committed because they suffer from severe mental illness. This is a must read for families, 'first responders,' and all members of law enforcement. These people need help and understanding – not imprisonment.*

###### **Second Place**

Forward Thinking

**Kim Schneider**

Cleveland Magazine

###### **Third Place**

Kanye West at the Schottenstein Center

**Andy Downing**

Columbus Alive

##### **BEST IN OHIO: REVIEWS/CRITICISM**

###### **First Place**

**Polly Campbell**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

###### **Second Place**

**Steven Litt**

The Plain Dealer

###### **Third Place**

**Bob Abelman**

Cleveland Jewish News

##### **SINGLE ESSAY**

###### **First Place**

These Eyes Have Watched Twenty Men

Die

**Alan Johnson**

Columbus Monthly

###### **Second Place**

Living in Holland

**Kathy Ames Carr, Laura Watilo Blake**

Edible Cleveland

**Third Place**  
For a first-time voter, this election is daunting

**Theresa Cottom**  
Akron Beacon Journal

### BEST IN OHIO: ESSAY

**First Place**  
**Bob Dyer**  
Akron Beacon Journal

**Second Place**  
**Rini Jeffers**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

### OBITUARY

**First Place**  
Federal judge did job justice  
**Stephanie Warsmith**  
Akron Beacon Journal  
*This obit was terrific. The lead was very good and immediately draws readers in and makes them want to read more. The writing was crisp and interesting. I felt like I knew the judge by the time I was done.*

**Second Place**  
County Executive Russ Pry  
**Amanda Garrett**  
Akron Beacon Journal  
*This obit was very well written. The lead was interesting and dramatic. You know the person died – but the writer was very skillful in creating the story arc for how it happened. Then, the story was well done in painting the picture of the county executive's life. I really cared about him by the time I had finished reading.*

**Third Place**  
Maurice B. Feren: 'Cleveland's Produce King' was celebrated war hero  
**Ed Wittenberg**  
Cleveland Jewish News  
*This was a lovely obituary. It was well written and nicely put together. The quotes were well handled and flowed nicely. Good job.*

### SINGLE EDITORIAL

**First Place**  
Kasich should save Lake Erie  
**Keith Burris**  
The Blade (Toledo)

**Second Place**  
Will has proven he's not afraid of a fight  
**Andy Young**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

**Third Place**  
One Nation  
**Michael Douglas**  
Akron Beacon Journal

### BEST IN OHIO: EDITORIAL

**First Place**  
**Andy Young**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

**Second Place**  
**Scott Suttell**  
Crain's Cleveland Business

**Third Place**  
**Keith Burris**  
The Blade (Toledo)

### ANALYSIS

**First Place**  
Power Shift  
**Dave Ghose**  
Columbus Monthly

**Second Place**  
They're Trump's People Now  
**Chrissie Thompson**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer

**Third Place**  
Make America Work Again  
**John Kay**  
Tri-C

### FOOD WRITING

**First Place**  
After Tucker's fire: What goes around, comes around  
**Polly Campbell**  
The Cincinnati Enquirer

**Second Place**  
The Catcher of the Rye  
**Jason Cohen**  
Cincinnati Magazine

**Third Place**  
Columbus Dining From A to Z  
**Erin Edwards, Nicholas Dekker, Jill Moorhead**  
Columbus Monthly

### TRAVEL WRITING

**First Place**  
Landmark Year  
**Staff & Contributors**  
Ohio Magazine

**Second Place**  
Exploring Ulysses Grant's Childhood  
**Susan Glaser**  
The Plain Dealer

**Third Place**  
Antietam battlefield is full of ghosts  
**Bob Downing**  
Akron Beacon Journal

### RADIO

### NEWS

**First Place**  
Cleveland Cavaliers win NBA championship  
**Mark Urycki, Nick Castele, Matt Richmond, Mark Simpson**  
WCPN ideastream  
*The story did more than simply display comments from fans. It captured a sense of history and culture perhaps bigger than sports. Some clever writing without being trite, and good mixing of sound elements*

**Second Place**  
Is Donald Trump Channeling Jim Trafficant  
**M.L. Schultze**  
WKSU

*Interesting connection made that was appealing even to people not from the area. The comparison and contrast of the two men told a larger story about identity politics.*

### ELECTION 2016 COVERAGE

**First Place**  
WKSU Election Coverage 2016  
**M.L. Schultze**  
WKSU

*Good scene-setting in each piece grabs audience. Fascinating range of views that challenge stereotypes.*

**Second Place**  
Voices of Voters  
**Karen Kasler, Jo Ingles, Andy Chow, Dan Konik**  
Ohio Public Radio

*A good range of voices with necessary context. Listeners got the voting positions of the sources, but also learned something more.*

**Third Place**  
Many in Clevelands Lee-Harvard Stick with Hillary Clinton Amid Grueling Campaign  
**Nick Castele**  
WCPN ideastream

*Some good characters give a rich sense of the area depicted in the piece. Nice story flow on issues that directly impact the area.*

### ON-GOING COVERAGE

**First Place**  
2016 Year in Review  
**Jo Ingles, Andy Chow, Karen Kasler**  
Ohio Public Radio  
*Great undertaking to review important issues and connect sometimes forgotten developments. Lots of ground covered with excellent context.*

**Second Place**  
The RNC in Cleveland  
**WKSU Staff**  
WKSU  
*Great range of immediate, breaking reports and interesting angles. Obviously a large effort with reporters working on many fronts. Profile on the folk art gallery a pleasant surprise.*

**Third Place**  
East Cleveland  
**Nick Castele**  
WCPN ideastream  
*The range of stories over time added up to paint a picture of the troubled area, with its troubled leaders.*

### PUBLIC SERVICE

**First Place**  
Hough: Before and Beyond 66  
**ideastream News Staff**  
WCPN ideastream

**Second Place**  
"From the Power Plant to Your Electric Bill"  
**Andy Chow**  
Ohio Public Radio

### DOCUMENTARY

**First Place**  
Star Wars: The Score Awakens  
**Bill O'Connell, Angela Mitchell**  
WCPN ideastream  
*An interesting look at a part of Star Wars many people don't think about. Nicely done.*

### IN-DEPTH COVERAGE

**First Place**  
Coverage of 2016 RNC Convention in Cleveland  
**ideastream News Staff**  
WCPN ideastream  
*The convention dominated the news cycle, and it would have been easy to file simple news pieces during its run. But these are more than that - they find the human side*

*of the convention while still telling the important stories. This is great reporting*

**Second Place**  
Grounded: The Dehubbing of the Region's Airports  
**Tim Rudell, Kabir Bhatia, Kevin Niedermier**  
WKSU

**Third Place**  
Best of Convention Coverage  
**Karen Kasler, Jo Ingles, Andy Chow**  
Ohio Public Radio

### HUMAN INTEREST

**First Place**  
A Delicious Way to Silence Those Noisy Little Cicadas  
**Vivian Goodman**  
WKSU

**Second Place**  
The New Sound of the Old Goodyear Theater Could Transform East Akron  
**Amanda Rabinowitz**  
WKSU

**Third Place**  
What's for Lunch at Northeast Ohio's Museums and Zoo?  
**Sarah Jane Tribble**  
WCPN ideastream

### USE OF SOUND

**First Place**  
A New Day in Hough  
**Dave DeOreo**  
WCPN ideastream

**Second Place**  
During the RNC, a Political Rainbow Forms in Cleveland's New, \$50 Million Public Square  
**Kabir Bhatia**  
WKSU

### NEWS WRITING

**First Place**  
Kestrel Boxes Provide Homes For Pint-Sized Predators  
**Jeff St. Clair**  
WKSU  
*Very descriptive, the reporters use of personal experience to describe his knowledge of birds was great.*

**Second Place**  
Cleveland Fans Basking in Success of Indians and Cavaliers  
**Mark Urycki**

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## RADIO SHOW

### First Place

Sexual Assault in Northeast Ohio  
A powerful discussion on a difficult topic.  
**Mike McIntyre, Rachel Rood**  
WCPN ideastream

## BEST RADIO NEWSCAST IN OHIO

### First Place

WKSU News  
**Amanda Rabinowitz**  
WKSU  
A well-rounded news update at the height of primary season. Amanda is a top-notch news anchor. Well done!

## TELEVISION

## NEWS

### First Place

Bounty Hunters  
**Derek Steyer, John Mikulas**  
WFMJ  
Compelling sound from a group of men who get a frightening inside look at the human consequences of the opioid epidemic.

### Second Place

Rhoden Murders  
**Derek Steyer, Sam Easton**  
WFMJ  
This is a well executed follow-up on a horrific crime.

### Third Place

Forensic Video Unit  
**Derek Steyer, Paul Kiselica**  
WFMJ

## ON-GOING COVERAGE

### First Place

Channel 3 News: The RNC in Cleveland  
**STAFF**  
WKYC

Every angle covered with energy and integrity. This was content worth watching!

### Second Place

RNC Week in Review  
**ideastream Ideas Staff**  
WVIZ  
Thoughtful and thorough look back at the RNC.

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## PUBLIC SERVICE

### First Place

Ohio's RNC History  
**ideastream Ideas Staff**  
WVIZ  
A fascinating retelling of Ohio's political conventions. A gift for the history buff!

## HUMAN INTEREST

### First Place

Clevelands Salt Mines  
**Mary Fecteau, John Cummings**  
WVIZ  
Beautiful photography, sharp graphics and engaging copy make for a wonderful piece about the salt mines under Lake Erie.

### Second Place

Darrius Simmons Piano Prodigy  
**Leslie Barrett, Robert Meluch, Mike Petrucci, Paul Kiselica**  
WFMJ  
Excellent story about a kid who overcame some incredible odds. Well shot and edited...Textbook story structure.

### Third Place

Vietnam Vet Honor Flight  
**Derek Steyer**  
WFMJ  
Wonderful work capturing human emotion.

## SPORTS REPORT OR COMMENTARY

### First Place

Damon Hodges  
**Dana Balash, Dan Pushcar**  
WFMJ  
Great story-telling by the reporter, weaving in compelling bites that really draws the viewer in.

### Second Place

Cleveland's Greatest Week  
**ideastream Ideas Staff**  
WVIZ  
Good nats and knockout writing!

## SPOT NEWS VIDEOGRAPHY

### First Place

Try to Do My Job I Sworn to do  
**Ali Ghanbari**  
WJW Fox 8  
Overall, well shot in a tough scenario! The officer never stopped moving!

## FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY

### First Place

Joe Sketch Artist  
**Ali Ghanbari**  
WJW Fox 8

## TELEVISION SHOW

### First Place

Violins of Hope: Strings of the Holocaust  
**Lance Shultz, Mark Rosenberger**  
WVIZ  
A program of the highest quality – great video, great writing and great story-telling.

### Second Place

The State of Ohio  
**Karen Kasler, Dan Konik, Andy Chow, Jo Ingles**  
Ohio Public Television  
Show touches on many important issues and does a good job of bringing them home and localizing to viewers.

## BEST TELEVISION NEWSCAST IN OHIO IN A MAJOR MARKET

### First Place

Channel 3 News at 11  
**STAFF**  
WKYC  
Comprehensive local coverage on major event – so much planning - bravo to the assignment editors, producers, reporters, anchors, photogs, management etc

## TRADE PUBLICATIONS

## TRADE REPORT

### First Place

Amazon on Campus  
**Dan Angelo**  
The College Store Magazine  
Lively and compelling piece about a topic of high interest to anyone involved in the college bookstore business

### Second Place

What You Need to Know about Copyright  
**Michael von Glahn**  
The College Store Magazine  
Interesting conceptual exploration of what's to come

## FEATURES: PERSONALITY PROFILE

### First Place

Proud to partner  
**Michelle Simakis**  
GIE Media

### Second Place

Change Agent  
**Michael von Glahn**  
The College Store Magazine

### Third Place

The Legend of Harry Gauzman  
**John Walsh**  
John Carroll University

## FEATURES: GENERAL

### First Place

Northern Exposure  
**Dan Angelo**  
The College Store Magazine  
This article really brings home, with extensive reporting, the point of the recent trade conference - exposure to other successful types of retail, and ways to bring those concepts into the college bookstore market.

### Second Place

Do You Use Refrigerant Leak-stop Agents?  
**Ron Rajecki**  
The Air Conditioning, Heating, Refrigeration News  
A balanced and even-handed examination of a trend that's attractive but controversial within the industry

### Third Place

Fun down below  
**John Walsh**  
John Carroll University  
An interesting read, filled with history

## FEATURES: SPECIAL SECTION/PACKAGE

### First Place

We The People  
**Kathleen Osborne, Vanessa Butler**  
Hathaway Brown

### Second Place

The Staffing Issue  
**Dan Angelo, Sara Hodon, Alison Stern-Dunyak, Michael von Glahn**  
The College Store Magazine

### Third Place

Hathaway Brown's 140th Anniversary  
**Amanda Seifert, Vanessa Butler**  
Hathaway Brown

## FEATURES: TRENDS

### First Place

Institutional Memory  
**Dan Angelo**

The College Store Magazine  
Comprehensive, well written piece on the trend of colleges taking back control of their leased campus stores. Provide practical advice to those considering such a move.

### Second Place

Where green is going: Professionals weigh in on the current and future state of green rooftops, and how it can apply to retail, landscaping and beyond.

### Conner Howard

GIE Media  
Interesting piece on trend of living roof systems and their gaining popularity.

### Third Place

Seven Up  
**Cindy Ruckman**  
The College Store Magazine

## DEPARTMENTS OR COLUMNS

### First Place

The College Store Editorial  
**Michael von Glahn**  
The College Store Magazine  
Nice writing here adds interest to outside audiences.

### Second Place

Editor's Column  
**Lois A. Bowers**  
McKnight's Senior Living  
Nice look behind-the-curtain in an industry most don't know well.

### Third Place

Collegiate Market Watch  
**Staff**  
The College Store Magazine  
Really nice use of graphics and design.

## BEST TRADE PUBLICATION IN OHIO

### First Place

**Garden Center Magazine**  
**Michelle Simakis, Stephanie Antal, Conner Howard**  
GIE Media  
Great balance of relevant, actionable information along with compelling storytelling a pleasure to read. I felt that if I were a garden center owner or operator, this publication would give me information I could use to make decisions that could improve my business Fresh Faces of Horticulture was particularly insightful, and Proud to Partner was an

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*inspiring example of business adaptation in the face of tremendous challenges.*

## **Second Place** **The College Store Magazine** **Staff**

*Excellent packaging of related content into easily digestible and actionable information. I particularly appreciated the diverse and specific examples of what different college stores are doing to improve their business success. The idea sharing in the A Cool Idea feature is a great way to highlight unique strategies*

## **Third Place** **Staff**

*Beautifully designed magazine with a strong idea book feel. Text provided a good overview of industry and design trends, but with less actionable information than competing entries.*

## VISUALS

### **SINGLE CARTOON**

**First Place**  
Ohio State Attack  
**Kirk Walters**  
The Blade (Toledo)  
*Beautifully done. It is tough to capture tragedy in a way that does not turn people off. This was successful and elicits strong emotion.*

**Second Place**  
Trump: "Come to Papa"  
**Richard Williams**  
Crain's Cleveland Business  
*This gets the point across.*

**Third Place**  
Promised Land – LeBron James  
**Brian Shellito**  
Akron Beacon Journal

### **BEST IN OHIO:** **CARTOONING**

**First Place**  
**Richard Williams**  
Crain's Cleveland Business

**Second Place**  
**Brian Shellito**  
Akron Beacon Journal

**Third Place**  
**Joe Hoffercker**  
Cincinnati Business Courier

### **ILLUSTRATION SINGLE IMAGE**

**First Place**  
Chrissie Hynde  
**Rick Steinhauser**  
Akron Beacon Journal

**Second Place**  
Making Manufacturing Cool  
**John Hancock**  
Dayton Business Journal

**Third Place**  
Cavaliers NBA Playoffs  
**Brian Shellito**  
Akron Beacon Journal

### **MULTIPLE ILLUSTRATIONS FOR ONE** **STORY- ALL PUBLICATIONS**

**First Place**  
Rockin' The Voters  
**Chris Morris**  
The Plain Dealer  
*The artist has a true flair for caricature that draws in the reader. Excellent and humorous tone enhances the subject matter.*

**Second Place**  
Cleveland's highest-paid athletes  
**Rebecca R. Markovitz, Charis Tsevis**  
Crain's Cleveland Business

**Third Place**  
Presidential Road Trips  
**Laura Weiszer**  
Ohio Magazine

### **BEST IN OHIO:** **ILLUSTRATION ALL** **PUBLICATIONS**

**First Place**  
**Rebecca R. Markovitz, David Kordalski**  
Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Solid work with challenging topics to depict. The message comes through on all of the business portrayals.*

**Second Place**  
**Tom Fisher**  
The Blade (Toledo)  
*Excellent and diverse art opportunities.*

**Third Place**  
**Matthew Bailey**  
Columbus Alive  
*Across the board success with depiction of interesting news topics.*

### **INFOGRAPHICS**

**First Place**  
Life on the road  
**Kevin Cox**  
Cincinnati Business Courier

**Second Place**  
Brewing Boom  
**John Hancock**  
Dayton Business Journal

**Third Place**  
Kids These Days  
**Sam Twarek**  
Cleveland Magazine

### **BEST IN OHIO:** **INFOGRAPHICS**

**First Place**  
**John Hancock**  
Dayton Business Journal

**Second Place**  
**Stephanie Antal**  
GIE Media  
Garden Center Magazine

**Third Place**  
**Yogesh Chaudhary**  
Columbus C.E.O. Magazine

### **SINGLE PAGE DESIGN- BROADSHEET**

**First Place**  
Big Foot / Sasquatch Grassman Yeti  
**Jeff Basting**  
The Blade (Toledo)  
*It's the art that draws the reader in to this interesting report. The artist's conception of Bigfoot is more frightening than the lore. Well done.*

**Second Place**  
Won For All  
**Mark Turner, Bob DeMay**  
Akron Beacon Journal

**Third Place**  
All Pain, No Gain  
**Margaret Riedel**  
The Plain Dealer

### **SINGLE PAGE DESIGN- TAB**

**First Place**  
Is Cleveland Still Hungry?  
**Rebecca R. Markovitz, Lisa Lorek, Burkle Hagen Photography**  
Crain's Cleveland Business  
*Compelling use of photos and graphic design to create a visually interactive page. This really draws the reader.*

**Second Place**  
July 8, Elie Wiesel Cover  
**Jon Larson**  
Cleveland Jewish News

**Third Place**  
Showdown 2016: The RNC in CLE A  
Cleveland Jewish News Special Section  
Cover  
**Jon Larson**  
Cleveland Jewish News

### **SINGLE PAGE DESIGN- MAGAZINE**

**First Place**  
Ridiculously Fresh  
**Betsy Becker**  
Columbus Monthly  
*Clever use of photography with beautiful blocks of text that wrap around the elements. Makes the reader want to join in the fun!*

**Second Place**  
Deconstructing the Dress  
**Alyse Kordenbrock**  
Columbus Monthly  
*It's the most interested I've ever been about the wedding industry. The iconic symbols, use of color and roadmap to "the aisle" are clever!*

**Third Place**  
On the Side  
**Charlee Ottersberg**  
Cleveland Magazine

### **A-1 NEWS FRONT- DAILY AND NON-** **DAILY NEWSPAPERS**

**First Place**  
**Jennifer Lyon**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

**Second Place**  
Columbus Business First front page  
collection

**John Lauer**  
Business First

**Third Place**  
Body of Work  
**Benjamin Nagy**  
The Chronicle-Telegram

### **SPREAD OR MULTIPLE PAGE-** **BROADSHEETS**

**First Place**  
Hough  
**Jane Mitchell**  
The Plain Dealer  
*The winning entry had all the elements*

*of a great newspaper story. It is complete with superb information, emotion-inducing and compelling images, and excellent page design, a cherished art.*

**Second Place**  
Brotherly Love  
**Mark Turner, Leah Klafczynski, Kimberly Barth, Bob DeMay**  
Akron Beacon Journal

### **SPREAD OR MULTIPLE PAGE- TABS**

**First Place**  
Medical big business  
**Kevin Cox**  
Cincinnati Business Courier  
*The reader gets all the information quickly and the page designers know how to engage with use of shape and color. Excellent.*

**Second Place**  
Reds opening day  
**Corrie Schaffeld**  
Cincinnati Business Courier  
*Already an interesting topic, but made better by use of innovative page design. Great work!*

**Third Place**  
Downtown Living  
**John Hancock**  
Dayton Business Journal  
*Outstanding.*

### **SPREAD OR MULTIPLE PAGE-** **MAGAZINES**

**First Place**  
Columbus Dining From A to Z  
**Betsy Becker**  
Columbus Monthly  
*Innovative and compelling design work. Clearly a team effort created with great pride.*

**Second Place**  
Hathaway Brown's 140th Anniversary  
**Vanessa Butler**  
Hathaway Brown  
*Excellent use of diverse media and assembling into a modern package. Excellent.*

**Third Place**  
Eat, Crave, Love!  
**Maria Amador**  
Cleveland Magazine  
*This is a stunning layout that draws the reader in. Beautiful.*

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## BEST IN OHIO: PAGE DESIGN

### **First Place**

Dayton Business Journal

### **John Hancock**

*Visually stunning work and superb layout. This has all the winning elements.*

### **Second Place**

Cincinnati Magazine

### **Staff**

*Excellent.*

### **Third Place**

Columbus Alive

### **Matthew Bailey**

*Great work!*

## COVERS: GENERAL CIRCULATION MAGAZINES- SUNDAY MAGAZINES

### **First Place**

Canvas

### **Jon Larson**

Cleveland Jewish News

*Great use of original art. Gives cover exclusivity.*

### **Second Place**

Cincinnati Magazine

### **Staff**

*Very close second. Beautiful.*

### **Third Place**

JT Stands Alone

### **Matthew Bailey**

Columbus Alive

## COVERS: BUSINESS PUBLICATIONS

### **First Place**

Columbus CEO Covers: Drones at Work

### **Yogesh Chaudhary, Tim Johnson**

Columbus C.E.O. Magazine

*Clean, balanced and powerful. Enhanced attraction by use of color.*

### **Second Place**

Smart Business Cleveland

### **Jim Mericsko**

Smart Business

*Clean and uncluttered.*

### **Third Place**

Dayton Innovators

### **John Hancock**

Dayton Business Journal

## COVERS: TRADE & PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

### **First Place**

State of the Industry Report 2016

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## **Stephanie Antal, Matthew Laznicka, Justin Armbrurger**

GIE Media

*Informative, clear and fun design.*

### **Second Place**

HB Magazine - Spring/Summer 2016

### **Vanessa Butler**

Hathaway Brown

## BEST USE OF MULTIMEDIA

### **First Place**

Acura NSX: Most expensive car made in American is from Ohio

### **Dan Eaton, Doug Buchanan**

Business First

*Acura NSX had a strong written narrative with a professionally produced video and a photography. Multimedia at its best.*

### **Second Place**

Yvan's Christmas

### **Katie Rausch**

The Blade (Toledo)

## PHOTOGRAPHY - DAILY NEWSPAPER

## SPOT NEWS

### **First Place**

'That's my brother'

### **Cameron Knight**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

*There's no question about the emotion that draws you in the moment of this shot.*

### **Second Place**

Rabbit Hash Fire

### **Carrie Cochran**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

## GENERAL NEWS

### **First Place**

Heroin Kills

### **Michael Chritton**

Akron Beacon Journal

*Succinct message about a pressing social issue captured and cropped to say it all.*

### **Second Place**

Melee Breaks out in RNC Press Room

### **Kristin Bauer**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*Great catch of a spontaneous visceral encounter.*

### **Third Place**

Explosive assignment

### **Bruce Bishop**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*Wow! That's what good images evoke.*

## SPORTS

### **First Place**

Head First

### **Michael Chritton**

Akron Beacon Journal

*I can't stop looking. This image doesn't need context. It was taken at the perfect time in the perfect place. #RuleofThirds*

### **Second Place**

Welcome home, Maddy

### **Phil Masturzo**

Akron Beacon Journal

*So happy! Love it. It invokes emotion... so composition be damned.*

### **Third Place**

Monsters Win Calder Cup

### **Kristin Bauer**

The Chronicle-Telegram

## GENERAL FEATURE

### **First Place**

BFF

### **Mike Cardew**

Akron Beacon Journal

*The solitude of grief is so evident. One can almost imagine what memories the subject must be recalling.*

### **Second Place**

A Hair Raising Experience

### **Steven Manheim**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*WOW! This not only raises hairs it raises your sense of wonder and inquiry.*

### **Third Place**

Hero's Welcome

### **Phil Masturzo**

Akron Beacon Journal

*The was shot at the right angle, at the right time, in a sea of unfettered excitement.*

## STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHY

### **First Place**

Blackberry and Peach Cobbler

### **Phil Masturzo**

Akron Beacon Journal

*Lovely photograph with just the right amount of whimsy. Nice details. Looks delicious!*

## PORTRAIT / PERSONALITY PHOTOGRAPHY

### **First Place**

Civil War

### **Phil Masturzo**

Akron Beacon Journal

*Lovely portrait. The use of lighting outlines the face in a way that contrasts nicely with the background. Having the background as more than just solid black looks very nice. The hat's adornment adds another aspect to the photo and the subject that made this photo unique.*

### **Second Place**

Burn Victim

### **Carrie Cochran**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

*I like the backstory expressed in this picture. The subject has a real life to her and you captured that well.*

## PHOTO JOURNALISM

### **First Place**

Finding Home

### **Meg Vogel**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

*What a tale these photographs tell! The subjects are showcased as so much more than refugees. They are families with their own lives - mothers and fathers and sisters and brothers. This photographer clearly has the skill to become invisible and let the camera speak. Outstanding work.*

### **Second Place**

Game Face

### **Leah Klafczynski**

Akron Beacon Journal

*These photos are delightful. They give such a sense of what it must have been like to be in all those places. The emotion is palpable. Fantastic job.*

### **Third Place**

Creepy baby

### **Bruce Bishop**

The Chronicle-Telegram

*Wonderful, evocative work. Nice photojournalism storytelling.*

## PHOTOGRAPHY - NON-DAILY NEWSPAPER

## SPOT NEWS

### **First Place**

Flood

### **Joshua A. Bickel**

The Press Club of Cleveland

This Week Newspapers

*This photo is worth a thousand words - it tells two stories - that of the effects of the Flood as well how it affected average citizens. It provides a strong perspective of what has been going on.*

### **Second Place**

Police Chief in control

### **Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

*Close-up lets the reader know that an intense exchange is going on. The cutline lets you know it is positive.*

## GENERAL NEWS

### **First Place**

Local rabbi opens RNC

### **Bob Jacob**

Cleveland Jewish News

*These photos capture the excitement of the crowd of the RNC. Wide angle of the photos shows the depth and breadth of the crowd. Great composition!*

### **Second Place**

Trump visits Toledo

### **Ken Grosjean, Scott Grau**

The Press

*Photos tell the story of Trump's visit to Toledo and the crowd's reaction. Shots are well composed and tightly edited, resulting in a strong set of photos*

### **Third Place**

Bullet lodges in home

### **Ken Grosjean**

The Press

*Strong photo illustrates the story. Strongly composed and very effective.*

## SPORTS

### **First Place**

FC Cincinnati goalie

### **Corrie Schaffeld**

Cincinnati Business Courier

*Quite an effective action shot ...you can almost hear the player's muscles stretching. Good composition. The photo tells a story by itself.*

### **Second Place**

Wrestling spotlight

### **Lorrie Cecil**

This Week Newspapers

*A stark photo that makes the wrestling match appear to be in the spotlight. The reader's focus goes right to the wrestler and it captures the mood of the event.*

*Good composition*

**Third Place**

Donte Woods-Spikes

**Tim Johnson**

Columbus Alive

*Despite a colorful and busy background, this shot zeros in on the artist and his joyful expression. It shows the subject and tells what he does for a living. A well composed shot.*

**GENERAL FEATURE**

**First Place**

Charlie Cook greeted

**Lorrie Cecil**

This Week Newspapers

*Interesting angle captures the runner as well as those cheering him. This captures the excitement.*

**Second Place**

Ash Wednesday

**Ken Grosjean**

The Press

*Nicely framed shot captures the solemnity of Ash Wednesday. Effective close up*

**STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHY**

**First Place**

Snowflake

**Joshua A. Bickel, Shane Flanigan**

This Week Newspapers

*A creative, fun shot that demonstrates ingenuity and creativity. An excellent, high quality photo.*

**PICTORIAL**

**First Place**

Delaware triathlon

**Joshua A. Bickel**

This Week Newspapers

*A beautifully rendered shot. The sun against the athlete results in a powerful silhouette, This shot gives the reader the impression that he is there.*

**Second Place**

Cincinnati downtown panorama

**Corrie Schaffeld**

Cincinnati Business Courier

*Beautiful panorama shot that captures the colors of the city at dawn. The shot is nicely framed.*

**Third Place**

Jamie Shaver Mayberry memorial

**Lorrie Cecil**

This Week Newspapers

*This captures the emotion of the situation. Jacket in the foreground focuses attention on the memory of the young woman being celebrated.*

**PHOTOGRAPHY - ALL OTHERS**

**GENERAL PHOTO - SINGLE IMAGE**

**First Place**

40 Under 40

**Sarah Bennett**

Dayton Business Journal

**Second Place**

Beer and beyond

**Sarah Bennett**

Dayton Business Journal

**Third Place**

Dame and Dandy

**Sarah Bennett**

Dayton Business Journal

**GENERAL PHOTO - MULTIPLE IMAGES**

**First Place**

Elder Statements

**Angelo Merendino**

Cleveland Magazine

*Lighting and framing make these great, dynamic portraits.*

**Second Place**

Land of Plenty

**Casey Rearick**

Cleveland Magazine

**Third Place**

Portfolio of Images by Tim Johnson

**Tim Johnson**

Columbus Monthly

**PORTRAIT / PERSONALITY PHOTOGRAPHY**

**First Place**

Bee Cool

**Shane Wynn**

Edible Cleveland

*Incredible photo - almost looks like a painting. Really tells a story. Great capture.*

**Second Place**

The Lost Ones

**Angelo Merendino**

Cleveland Magazine

*Raw and emotional. Wish I knew the story behind it.*

**Third Place**

Columbus CEO Photography Portrait

**Tim Johnson**

Columbus C.E.O. Magazine

**STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHY**

**First Place**

Love Your Mother

**Clarissa Westmeyer,**

**Melissa McClelland**

Edible Cleveland

**PHOTO JOURNALISM**

**First Place**

Where We Cook

**Staff, Laura Watilo Blake**

Edible Cleveland

*Fantastic photos showing unvarnished home kitchens. Full of heart and life. This is real photography. Beautiful.*

**Second Place**

RNC in CLE

**Kristin Bauer**

The Chronicle-Telegram

**Third Place**

Hurlers Times 3

**Kristin Bauer**

The Chronicle-Telegram

**PICTORIAL**

**First Place**

Hotels in Cleveland: Is the sky the limit?

**David Kordalski**

Crain's Cleveland Business

**Second Place**

Icicles Above the River

**Steven Manheim**

The Chronicle-Telegram

**Third Place**

Frozen Covering

**Steven Manheim**

The Chronicle-Telegram

**BEST IN OHIO: PHOTOGRAPHER**

**First Place**

**Andy Morrison**

The Blade (Toledo)

**Second Place**

**Sarah Bennett**

Dayton Business Journal

**Third Place**

**Kareem Elgazzar**

The Cincinnati Enquirer

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