

# 2019 Heart of America Awards Winners

## Online

### Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News

#### First Place

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Tragedy on Table Rock”

Staff

### Investigative Reporting

#### First Place

KCUR

“Did federal prosecutors violate inmates' rights by eavesdropping on their calls?”

Dan Margolies

#### Second Place

The Kansas City Star

“Tragedy on Table Rock Lake”

Judy Thomas, Laura Bauer, Steve Vockrodt

### Non-News Column/Blog

#### First Place

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Leigh's Lost and Found”

Leigh Moody

#### Second Place

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Ozarks High School Sports Power Rankings”

Chris Parker

### Beat Reporting

#### First Place

The Kansas City Star

“Priest sexual abuse”

Judy Thomas

### Public Service Project

#### First Place

The Kansas City Star

“Child welfare coverage”

Laura Bauer, Judy Thomas, Hunter Woodall

### News Web Site

#### First Place

WIBW Online

“WIBW.com”

Nick Viviani

## **Multi-Media Package**

### **First Place**

KBIA

“Life on the Spectrum”

Kyra Haas, Aviva Okeson-Haberman

### **Second Place**

KOMU-TV

“KOMU 360 Politics”

Jamie Grey

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Sports Zone”

Taylor Kaufmann

### **Honorable Mention**

Topeka Capital Journal

"Sac and Fox upended by competing factions"

Sherman Smith, Thad Allton

## **Print Daily 30,000 and Above**

### **Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News**

#### **First Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

“Linda Brown leaves lasting legacy”

Katie Moore, Tim Hrenchir

#### **General Reporting**

##### **First Place**

The Wichita Eagle

“Water contaminated for years; Kansans unaware”

Katherine Burgess

##### **Second Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Hispanic voters speak out"

Katie Moore

##### **Third Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Prowling Hell Creek: KU researchers dig for fossil treasures"

Tim Carpenter

## **Business Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Wichita Eagle

"Tiny homes project poses big issues for city, county going forward"

Carrie Rengers

## **Investigative Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Defense attorneys criticize grand jury use"

Katie Moore, Luke Ranker

### **Second Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Watkins touts leadership but won't discuss work"

Tim Carpenter

### **Third Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Is Brown v. Board's legacy in Topeka fracturing?"

Katie Moore

## **Feature**

### **First Place**

The Kansas City Star

"Mavericks, Variety KC team up to make ice skating reality for all kids"

Beth Lipoff

## **Profile**

### **First Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Man trusts God to provide for food ministry"

Phil Anderson

### **Second Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Midland CEO has passion for advocacy"

Samantha Foster

## **Sports Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Kansas City Star

"Overland Park gymnast twists and turns her way to a shot at the 2020 Olympics"

Beth Lipoff

## **Photojournalism-Breaking News**

### **First Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

“Eureka tornado”

Chris Neal

## **Photojournalism-Feature**

### **First Place**

The Kansas City Star

“Mahaffie fest draws history buffs to Wild West Days”

Beth Lipoff

### **Second Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Therapy program helps inmates forge new path"

Thad Allton

### **Third Place**

The Kansas City Star

“Pumpkin patches to visit in the Olathe area”

Beth Lipoff

## **Photojournalism-General Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Topeka Capital Journal

"Rain dampens soybean harvest"

Chris Neal

## **Beat Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Wichita Eagle

“Should officer have waited to fire; State withheld crucial report before 3-year-old's killing; Court papers detail alleged abuse of missing 5-year-old; State didn't follow through on steps to save 2-year-old; Trimmell shooting: Justifiable homicide?”

Tim Potter

### **Second Place**

The Wichita Eagle

“Possible child trafficking victims jailed in Kansas; No-bid contracts by Kansas agencies add up to \$550M; Kansas' billion-dollar revenue giveaway; After child tragedies, Kansas social workers rarely lose their license; prison standoff came amid dozens of...”

Jonathan Shorman

## **Magazine Story**

**First Place**

The Kansas City Star

“Refugee birthday party provides respite for resettled families”

Beth Lipoff

**Print Daily Under 30,000****Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News****First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Body of missing boy found”

Jeff Haldiman

**Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Greitens resigns”

Bob Watson

**Third Place**

Sedalia Democrat

“Pettis County Fire walkout”

Nuria Martinez-Keel

**General Reporting****First Place**

Sedalia Democrat

“Search for Dana Bruce reaches 10 years”

Nuria Martinez-Keel

**Second Place**

Sedalia Democrat

“Kehde remains with son in Denver hospital”

Nuria Martinez-Keel

**Third Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Bishop 'could not keep silent”

Joe Gamm

**Business Reporting****First Place**

Lawrence Journal World

“The Finances of KU Athletics”

Chad Lawhorn

**Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Going out in style”

Rebecca Martin

## **Investigative Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"Missouri Department of Corrections staffing"  
Jeff Haldiman

### **Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"Westminster College"  
Phillip Sitter

### **Third Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"Child care desert"  
Rebecca Martin

## **Feature**

### **First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"This was home. I didn't want to leave."  
Nicole Roberts

### **Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"Family, community rally behind Braeden Sconce"  
Seth Wolfmeyer

### **Third Place**

Sedalia Democrat  
"Barn that withstood two tornadoes is dismantled"  
Faith Bemiss

## **Honorable Mention**

Sedalia Democrat  
"A whale of an undertaking"  
Hope Lecchi

## **Profile**

### **First Place**

Sedalia Democrat  
"Seven decades of serving Sedalia"  
Hope Lecchi

### **Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"Five family members work together in local fire districts"  
Jeff Haldiman

**Third Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Area grad to catch flight to future as Air Force officer”

Phillip Sitter

**Sports Reporting****First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Dominant from start to finish”

Greg Jackson, Jason Strickland

**Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“A crosstown gem”

Tom Rackers

**Third Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Homfeldt first girls champ for Calvary Lutheran”

Jason Strickland

**Honorable Mention**

Sedalia Democrat

“Antonio Brown, Nike help 'Destroy Doubt' with 8-man Mustangs”

Alex Agueros

**Photojournalism-Breaking News****First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Helias windows vandalized”

Julie Smith

**Photojournalism-Feature****First Place**

Sedalia Democrat

“Navy Mom”

Faith Bemiss

**Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

“Airborne authenticity”

Julie Smith

**Third Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune

Escaping the heat

Sally Ince

## **Honorable Mention**

Sedalia Democrat  
Expressive friends on Halloween  
Faith Bemiss

## **Photojournalism-Sports**

### **First Place**

Sedalia Democrat  
“Lady Cardinals celebrate”  
Bryan Everson

### **Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
“Post 5 baseball”  
Jason Strickland

### **Third Place**

Sedalia Democrat  
“Smith-Cotton's Finley dashes for touchdown”  
Alex Agueros

## **Editorial/commentary**

### **First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
“Communication needed for prosecutor problem, not a charter change”  
Gerry Tritz

### **Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
“For Missouri, Greitens should resign immediately”  
Gerry Tritz

## **Non-News Column/Blog**

### **First Place**

Sedalia Democrat  
“Bob Satnan columns”  
Bob Satnan

## **Beat Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
“Jefferson City government”  
Nicole Roberts

### **Second Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
“Jefferson City Public Schools”



Phillip Sitter

### **Third Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"Health"  
Joe Gamm

### **Public Service Project**

#### **First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"A Christmas Wish"  
News Tribune Staff

### **News Web Site**

#### **First Place**

The Jefferson City News Tribune  
"News Tribune"  
News Tribune Staff

## **Print Non-Daily**

### **Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News**

#### **First Place**

Richmond News  
"Best Buds: Medical Marijuana"  
Jack "Miles" Ventimiglia

#### **Second Place**

KC Hispanic News  
"Hundreds gather at City Hall to mourn and honor slain WyCo deputies Theresa King and Patrick Rohrer"  
Debra DeCoster

#### **Third Place**

KC Hispanic News  
"Immigrant recounts abuse faced at hands of ICE agents"  
Joe Arce

#### **Honorable Mention**

KC Hispanic News  
"President Trump Do Something! Action! We Need it Now!"  
Debra DeCoster

### **General Reporting**

#### **First Place**

KC Hispanic News  
"Local attorneys legal network will help immigrant detainees with hearings"  
Debra DeCoster

## **Business Reporting**

### **First Place**

KC Hispanic News

“No Wendy's or Pizza Hut and residents are upset”

Debra DeCoster

## **Investigative Reporting**

### **First Place**

KC Hispanic News

“Water fees on BPU bills in Strawberry Hill have gone sky-high. BPU adjusts Garcia's water bill”

Debra DeCoster

## **Feature**

### **First Place**

Richmond News

“Flood of 93”

Jack "Miles" Ventimiglia

## **Profile**

### **First Place**

Richmond News

“Fading Memories

Jack "Miles" Ventimiglia

### **Second Place**

KC Hispanic News

“Two different paths to the same destination”

Joe Arce

## **Photojournalism-Feature**

### **First Place**

Richmond News

“Goat Kid”

Jack "Miles" Ventimiglia

## **Radio**

### **Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News**

#### **First Place**

KCUR

“Statehouse Blend Missouri: The Greitens Report”

Brian Ellison, Matthew Hodapp

#### **Second Place**

KBIA

“Mike Parson Sworn in as Governor After Greitens Resignation”

KBIA Staff

### **Third Place**

KCUR

“Slain Deputies Honored As Heroes At Ceremony In Kansas City, Kansas”

Andrea Tudhope

### **General Reporting**

#### **First Place**

KBIA

“Legacy of Missing Lloyd Gaines, 1938 Supreme Court Plaintiff, Still Haunts Higher Education”

Kathryn Palmer

#### **Second Place**

KCUR

“Fearing Possible Deportation, Kansas City Parents Prepare Kids For Life Without Mom And Dad”

Lisa Rodriguez

#### **Third Place**

KCUR

“Johnson County Promises Election Results Won't Be Late This Time”

Andrea Tudhope

### **Business Reporting**

#### **First Place**

KCUR

“Farmers Say Current Trade War Mirrors 1980 Russian Grain Embargo”

Frank Morris

#### **Second Place**

KCUR

“Why A Missouri Scrap Metal Law Is To Blame For Soaring Car Thefts In Kansas City”

Sam Zeff

#### **Third Place**

KBIA

“Special Report: Have We Backed Ourselves Into A Corner With Pesticides?”

Kristofor Husted

#### **Honorable Mention**

KCUR

“Taking a Risk”

Laura Spencer

### **Investigative Reporting**

#### **First Place**

KCUR

“Kansas' Unmatched Tracking Of Ex-Convicts Attracts One Legal Challenge After Another”

Celia Llopis-Jepsen

### **Second Place**

KCUR

“Kobach Claims He Can Save \$2 Billion For Medicaid, But Experts Say The Math Doesn't Add Up”

Nomin Ujiyediin

### **Third Place**

KCUR

“Locked Up and Untreated: One Missouri Inmate's Quest For Hepatitis C Treatment”

Alex Smith

### **Feature**

#### **First Place**

KCUR

“How Kansas City Became Home To The Nation's Official World War 1 Memorial”

Suzanne Hogan

#### **Second Place**

KBIA

“Facing the Unthinkable, Families of Children With Rare Diseases Build Their Own Community”

Rebecca Smith

#### **Third Place**

KBIA

“Columbia Amateur Radio Operators Fill Airwaves, Train for Emergencies During National Field Day”

Noah Taborda

### **Profile**

#### **First Place**

KBIA

“Decade After A Motorcycle Crash, Dennis Thompson Keeps Riding”

Aviva Okeson-Haberman

#### **Second Place**

KCUR

“She's Fighting Cancer—Now She's Fighting For Kansas Medicaid Expansion”

Jim McLean

#### **Third Place**

Land Line Now

“EMT reunites trucker with his dog”

Mary McKenna, James Fetzer

### **Honorable Mention**

KBIA

“Holocaust Survivor Speaks About the Importance of Kindness”

Mimi Wright

## **Sports Reporting**

### **First Place**

KBIA

“Decade After A Motorcycle Crash, Dennis Thompson Keeps Riding”

Aviva Okeson-Haberman

### **Second Place**

KCUR

“Kansas City QB Mahomes' Breakout Year Is Good For Business Beyond The Stadium”

Greg Echlin

## **Arts and Entertainment Reporting**

### **First Place**

KCUR

“At Lawrence Jam Sessions, An Unusual Instrument Lets Everyone Make Music Together”

Alex Smith

### **Second Place**

Landline Now

“The story of the song 'Convoy’”

Mark H. Reddig, Barry Spillman, James Fetzer

### **Third Place**

KCUR

“At Night, This Mild-Mannered Johnson County Father Is A Hard-Rock Star”

Bill Brownlee

### **Honorable Mention**

Landline Now

“Former trucker gets a shot at the big time as lead singer for Kansas”

Mark Schremmer, Terry Scruton, Barry Spillman

## **Beat Reporting**

### **First Place**

KBIA

“Bram Sable-Smith”

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### **Second Place**

KBIA

“Rebecca Smith”

Rebecca Smith

### **Third Place**

KBIA

“Kristofor Husted”

Kristofor Husted

## **Honorable Mention**

KCUR

“Foster Care In Crisis”

Madeline Fox

## **Public Service Project**

### **First Place**

KCUR

“Fifty Years Later, Kansas Citians Remember Fury And Fear Following Assassination Of MLK Jr.”

Laura Ziegler, Michelle Tyrene Johnson, Steve Kraske, CJ Janovy, Sylvia Maria Gross

### **Second Place**

KCUR

“At A Kansas City School Where Few Students Stay, Tutors Get Kids Reading Before They Go”

Elle Moxley

### **Third Place**

KBIA

“Missouri Health Talks”

Ryan Famuliner

## **Talk Program**

### **First Place**

KCUR

“Central Standard”

Staff

### **Second Place**

KBIA

“Intersection”

KBIA Staff

### **Third Place**

KBIA

“Radio Friends with Paul Pepper”

Paul Pepper, James Mouser, Travis McMillen, Aaron Hay

## **Documentary**

### **First Place**

KBIA

“Special Report: Have We Backed Ourselves Into A Corner With Pesticides?”

Kristofor Husted

### **Second Place**

KCUR

“What Is Kansas City Doing About Its Rising Homicide Rate?”

Andrea Tudhope, Sylvia Maria Gross, Laura Ziegler

### **Third Place**

KCUR

“My Fellow Kansans: The Summer of Mercy”

Jim McLean, Amy Jeffries, Matthew Long-Middleton

### **Regular Franchise Feature**

#### **First Place**

KBIA

“Missouri Health Talks”

Rebecca Smith, KBIA Staff

#### **Second Place**

Landline Now

“D.C. Report”

Mark H. Reddig, Barry Spillman

### **News Web Site**

#### **First Place**

KBIA

KBIA.org

Nathan Lawrence, KBIA Staff

#### **Second Place**

KCUR

“KCUR.org”

CJ Janovy

## **Trade & Specialty Publications**

### **General Reporting**

#### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“#UsToo”

Dawn Bormann Novascone, Chris Green, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren, Bruce Janssen

#### **Second Place**

VFW Magazine

“A Month of Marathons Raises Awareness”

Kari Williams

### **Business Reporting**

#### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Announcement, Uprising, Reversal”

Joel Mathis, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren, Bruce Janssen, Chris Green

## **Second Place**

Land Line

“Gears, Guitars & Grub' Mack Anthem Tour”

Tyson Fisher

## **Third Place**

The Best Times

“Small railroad keeps Air Center on track”

Gerald Hay

## **Investigative Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Running Out of Water, Running Out of Time”

Karen Dillon, Chris Green, Bruce Janssen, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren

### **Feature**

#### **First Place**

VFW Magazine

“Ten years of second chances”

Beth Lipoff

#### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Caught in the Middle“

Karen Dillon, Chris Green, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren, Bruce Janssen

#### **Third Place**

The Best Times

“Father survived war; his son did not”

Gerald Hay

## **Profile**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Inciting Incidents”

Joe Stumpe, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren, Chris Green, Bruce Janssen

### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“The Stakes: 2018 Election Issue Profiles”

Dawn Bormann Novascone, Laura Roddy, Melinda Schnyder, Chris Green, Jeff Tuttle

### **Third Place**

The Best Times

“911 dispatchers take calls from tragic to quirky”

Gerald Hay



## **Honorable Mention**

The Best Times

“Changing lives by teaching welding skills”

Gerald Hay

## **Photojournalism-Feature**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Coming to the Table”

Jeff Tuttle

## **Photojournalism-Feature**

### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Going for It”

Jeff Tuttle

## **Photojournalism-General Reporting**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Running Out of Water, Running Out of Time”

Jeff Tuttle

### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“The Name Game”

Jeff Tuttle

### **Third Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“The Stakes”

Jeff Tuttle

## **Editorial/Commentary**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Living through Change”

Mark McCormick

### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“We Need a Journalism 'Reformation'”

Mark McCormick

### **Third Place**

The Best Times

“Words always matter”

Gerald Hay

## **News Column/Blog**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Letter from the Managing Editor”

Chris Green

### **Second Place**

The Best Times

“Yes, Barbara, there's...”

Gerald Hay

### **Third Place**

Land Line

"The Two Tales of CSA Data in Hours of Service"

Jami Jones

## **Non-News Column/Blog**

### **First Place**

Land Line

“Dashboard Confidential”

Dave Sweetman

## **Beat Reporting**

### **First Place**

Land Line

"Gizmos & Gears"

John Bendel

## **Public Service Project**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“The Best Neighborhoods in Kansas”

Chris Green, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren, Bruce Janssen, Shannon Littlejohn

### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Falling through the Cracks”

Joel Mathis, Chris Green, Clare McClaren, Jeff Tuttle, Bruce Janssen

### **Third Place**

Land Line

“Election Guide 2018”

Keith Goble

## **Magazine Story**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Swatting Away Disease”

Sarah Caldwell Hancock, Chris Green, Bruce Janssen, Clare McClaren, Shannon Littlejohn

### **Second Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“The Stakes”

Lindsay Hanson Metcalf, Jeff Tuttle, Chris Green, Bruce Janssen, Clare McClaren

### **Third Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“Crime and (a Different Approach to) Punishment”

Brian Whepley, Jeff Tuttle, Clare McClaren, Bruce Janssen, Chris Green

## **News Web Site**

### **First Place**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)

“KLCJournal.com”

Staff

## **Business-to-Business Publication**

### **First Place**

Land Line

“Land Line Magazine”

Jami Jones, Greg Grisolano, Mark Schremmer, Keith Goble, Tyson Fisher

## **TV Large Market**

### **Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News**

#### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Duck Boat Disaster”

Staff

#### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Fireworks Plant Explosion”

Staff

#### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Greitens Coverage”

Andrew Havranek

## **General Reporting**

### **First Place**

KSNT

“Fallen TPD officer Trey McCluskey laid to rest”

Dan Garrett, Mark Feuerborn

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Runners Harassed”

Paul Adler

## **Business Reporting**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“417 Rentals”

Staff

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Calling For Help”

Ashley Reynolds, Ben Knaup

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Which businesses follow the law?”

Taylor Frost

## **Investigative Reporting**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Over Prescribing Doctor”

Caitlin Sinett

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Driving With No License”

Sara Forhertz

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Marion County road concerns”

Caitlin Sinett

## **Honorable Mention**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Toxic Air”

Ashley Reynolds, Ben Knaup

## **Feature**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Waiting for Truth”

Ashley Reynolds, Ben Knaup

## **Profile**

### **First Place**

KAKE-TV

“Missing in Kansas”

Annette Lawless

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Man Saves Officer”

Sara Forhertz

### **Third Place**

KTWU-TV

“Plains People: Joe Schmidt”

Scott Williams

## **Honorable Mention**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Bare knuckle boxing”

Andrew Havranek

## **Sports Reporting**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Not Just Another Four Letter Word”

Chad Plein

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Friday Night Football”

Braden Berg

## **Photojournalism-Breaking News**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Fireworks Plant Explosion”

Staff

## **Photojournalism-Feature**

### **First Place**

KTWU-TV

Sunflower Journeys—Reinventing Lenexa

Scott Williams

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Music Man”

Paul Adler

## **Photojournalism-Sports**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Not Just Another Four Letter Word”

Chad Plein

## **Photojournalism-General Reporting**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“#ThatsNotYourSpot”

Ben Knaup

### **Second Place**

KSNT

“Fallen TPD officer Trey McCluskey laid to rest”

Dan Garrett, Mark Feuerborn

## **Arts and Entertainment Reporting**

### **First Place**

KTWU TV

“Sunflower Journeys—Totos Around Town”

Scott Williams

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Music Man”

Paul Adler

## ***Beat Reporting***

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“On Your Side”

Ashley Reynolds

## **Public Service Project**

### **First Place**

KAKE-TV

“Missing in Kansas”

Annette Lawless

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“#That'sNotYourSpot”

Ashley Reynolds

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Children's Miracle Network”

Staff

## **News Program**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“5 p.m.—Tragedy on Table Rock Lake”

Andrea Brown, Ethan Forhertz, Abby Dyer

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“4 p.m.—Winter Weather”

Andrew Douglas, Leigh Moody, Abby Dyer, Matt Jones

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“AM—July 20, 2018”

Adam Pressler, Brett Onstott, Maria Neider, Justin Corr, Brandon Beck

## **Regular Franchise Feature**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Scam of the Week”

Ashley Reynolds, Ben Knaup

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Fit Life”

Paul Adler

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Leigh's Lost and Found”

Leigh Moody

## **News Web Site**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Ozarks Sports Zone”

Staff

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“KSPR-TV”

Chris Replogle, Staff

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“KY3.com”

Chris Replogle, Staff

## **Graphics**

### **First Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Storm Surge”

Abby Dyer

### **Second Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Flight Path”

Abby Dyer

### **Third Place**

KYTV/KSPR-TV

“Duck Boat Disaster”

Staff

## **TV Small Market**

### **Deadline Reporting/Breaking News/Spot News**

#### **First Place**

KMIZ

“Missouri's Governor Resigns”

Staff

#### **Second Place**

KMIZ

“Details of Man's Death Revealed”



Staff

**Third Place**

WIBW

“Labor Day Flash Floods”

13 NEWS Team

**Honorable Mention**

KOMU-TV

“Missing 4-year-old found dead”

Jeimmie Nevalga, Jalyn Johnson

**General Reporting**

**First Place**

WIBW

“Return to the Federal Building”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

**Second Place**

KMIZ

“Columbia Trash Collectors in Short Supply”

Lucas Geisler

**Third Place**

KMIZ

“Sunrise Beach Fire Risk”

Ashley Strohmer

**Honorable Mention**

WIBW

“Breaking down the Hot Car Law”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

**Business Reporting**

**First Place**

WIBW

“The Rise, Fall, and Rebirth of Downtown Topeka”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

**Second Place**

WIBW

“Nelson's Provides Perfect Landing Spot”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

**Third Place**

WIBW

“Stewart's Smokehouse preserves past”

Juan Cisneros

## **Investigative Reporting**

### **First Place**

KOMU-TV

“TARGET 8: 'Flawed' death investigation highlights problematic coroner system”

Jamie Grey

### **Second Place**

KMIZ

“Jefferson City Fire Drill Checkup”

Deborah Kendrick

## **Feature**

### **First Place**

WIBW

“Miracle Mallory”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

### **Second Place**

KMIZ

“Mizzou Twin Cheerleaders Enjoy Endless Surprises”

Andrew Kauffman

### **Third Place**

KOMU-TV

“Live-music industry changes as collectors drop hammer on royalty fees”

Jim Riek

### **Honorable Mention**

WIBW

“90-year-old takes pride in work”

Cecelia Jenkins, Rick Felsburg

## **Profile**

### **First Place**

KMIZ

“The James Scott Story”

Joey Parker

### **Second Place**

WIBW

“TPD officer comes back from injury”

Erika Hall, Eric Ives

### **Third Place**

WIBW

“50 Years in Stripes”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

## **Sports Reporting**

### **First Place**

WIBW

“Thanks, Coach: The Legacy of Bill Snyder”

Tyler Greever, Nicole Feyh

### **Second Place**

KMIZ

“Former MU goalkeeper defies odds”

Andrew Kauffman

### **Third Place**

WIBW

“Autumn Brings Joy to KU Soccer”

Tyler Greever

### **Honorable Mention**

KMIZ

“Mizzou Dining Hall Favorite Shines on the Big Stage”

Andrew Kauffman

## **Photojournalism-Breaking News**

### **First Place**

KMIZ

“Standoff on Demaret”

Gyasi Simmons

### **Second Place**

KMIZ

“Shooting on McBaine Avenue”

Ben Elmore, Lucas Geisler

## **Photojournalism-Feature**

### **First Place**

WIBW

“Detective balances ugliness of job with beauty of art”

Doug Brown

## **Photojournalism-Sports**

### **First Place**

KMIZ

“Eldon's Hunter Bushnell keeps fighting”

Tyler Murry

## **Second Place**

WIBW

“50 Years in Stripes”

Doug Brown

## **Photojournalism-General Reporting**

### **First Place**

WIBW

“Breaking down the Hot Car Law”

Doug Brown

## **Arts and Entertainment Reporting**

### **First Place**

WIBW

“Passion for Puppets”

Melissa Brunner, Doug Brown

## **Beat Reporting**

### **First Place**

KMIZ

“Crumbling Building Wall in Jefferson City”

Barry Mangold

### **Second Place**

WIBW

“To Your Health”

Melissa Brunner

### **Third Place**

KMIZ

“School Safety & Security”

Joe McLean

## **Public Service Project**

### **First Place**

WIBW

“Kansas Congressional Debate”

Melissa Brunner, Ralph Hipp, Shawn Wheat

## **News Program**

### **First Place**

KMIZ

“ABC 17 News at 10”

Staff

### **Second Place**

KMIZ

“ABC 17 News at 6: Tragedy at Table Rock”

Staff

**Third Place**

KMIZ “ABC 17 News at 6: Gov. Greitens Resigns”

Staff

**Documentary**

**First Place**

KMIZ

“ABC 17 SportsZone Liberty Bowl Special”

Staff

**Second Place**

KMIZ

“State Capitol in Crisis”

Staff

**Third Place**

KMIZ

“Governor's Office in Transition”

Staff

**Regular Franchise Feature**

**First Place**

WIBW

“Salute the Badge”

13 NEWS Team

**News Web Site**

**First Place**

KOMU-TV

“KOMU News Website”

Annie Hammock

**Graphics**

**First Place**

KMIZ

“Charter School Checkup”

Sarah Bono

**Second Place**

KMIZ

“Your Water”

Sarah Bono

**Third Place**

KMIZ

“Boone County Fair Ride Inspections” Alyssa Toomey, Sarah Bono

## **Specialty Awards**

### **Best in Radio**

KCUR

### **Best in TV (Small market)**

WIBW

### **Best in TV (Large market)**

KYTV-KSPR

### **Best in Daily Print (Under 30,000)**

Jefferson City News Tribune

### **Best in Daily Print (Over 30,000)**

Topeka Capital-Journal

### **Best in Non-Daily Print**

KC Hispanic News

### **Best in Trade & Specialty Publications**

The Journal (Kansas Leadership Center)