

2008 Ohio SPJ Awards Winners

Television (Large Market)

Best Consumer Reporting

First: "Shreds of Evidence," Ron Regan, Dave Arnold, Dave Hatala, Matt Spurrier, WEWS-TV.

Second: "Solid Gold Wedding," Hagit Limor, Anthony Mirones, WCPO TV.

Third: "Coming Clean," Angie Lau, Dave Hatala, WEWS-TV.

Best Continuing Coverage

First: "Jessie Davis Mystery," WJW Fox 8.

Second: "You Tube Cop," Maureen Kocot, WBNS-TV.

Third: "Ohio Flooding," WCMH TV.

Best Crime Reporting

First: "The Wrong Men," Duane Pohlman, WEWS-TV.

Second: Jill Del Greco, WHIO TV.

Third: "Exposing the Exposers," Angela An, Chris Kettler and Aysu Basaran, WBNS-TV.

Best Documentary

First: "Winter in the Miami Valley," Becky Grimes, WHIO TV.

Best Enterprise Reporting

First: "Organ Donation Agency," Hagit Limor and Anthony Mirones, WCPO TV.

Second: "School Employee Background Checks," Penny Moore, Joel Chow, Chris Kettler, WBNS TV.

Third: "Wasted Windows," Duane Pohlman, WEWS-TV.

Best Environmental Reporting

First: "Resurrection," Hagit Limor, Anthony Mirones, WCPO TV.

Best Feature Reporting

First: "Berta's Breakthrough," Chuck Strickler and Scott Doelling, WBNS TV.

Second: "Peter Frampton Profile," Laure Quinlivan and Phil Drechsler, WCPO TV.

Third: "Who is Rashad Young?," James Brown and Byron Stirsman, WHIO TV.

Best Governmental Reporting

First: "Homeland Security Contracts," Laure Quinlivan, WCPO TV.

Second: "MRDD Homes," Hagit Limor, WCPO TV.

Third: "Beating City Hall," Bill Hormann, WTVG.

Best Investigative Reporting

First: "Policing Themselves," Duane Pohlman, WEWS-TV.

Second: "Delaware 911," Paul Aken, Chris Kettler and Joel Chow, WBNS TV.

Third: "Exposing the Exposers," Angela An, Chris Kettler and Aysu Basaran, WBNS TV.

Best Minority Issues Coverage

First: "Cleveland After Dark," WJW Fox 8.

Second: "Issues: NAACP Freedom Fund," Curtis Fuller, WLWT-TV.

Third: "YWCA's Women of Achievement," Amy Backus and Eleanor Hayes, Ohio News Network.

Best Spot News

First: "Robber Chase/Capture," WCMH TV.

Second: "High Speed Chase," Terry Ault, Rich Yedlicka, WBNS TV.

Third: "Newark Tanker Fire," WBNS News Team, WBNS TV.

Best Web Site

First: www.MyFoxCleveland.com, WJW Fox 8.

Second: www.WBNS10tv.com, WBNS-TV.

Third: www.newsnet5.com, Colleen Seitz, WEWS-TV.

Individual / Station Honors Television (Large Market)

Best Editor

First: 2007 Composite, Anthony Mirones, WCPO TV.

Best News Operation

First: 10TV News HD, John Cardenas, News Director, WBNS TV.

Second: News Operation, WCMH TV.

Third: Ohio News Network, Greg Fisher, News Director, ONN.

Best Newscast

First: 10TV News HD, WBNS TV.

Second: FOX 8 News @ 10, WJW Fox 8.

Third: Newscast, WCMH TV.

Best Producer

First: "Winter in the Miami Valley-What You Need to Know," Becky Grimes, WHIO TV.

Second: "President Bush Ohio Visit," Jeremy Naylor, ONN.

Best Public Affairs Program

First: "The State of Ohio," Karen Kasler, Host/Producer, Ron Corby, Director, Statehouse News Bureau, OP-TV.

Second: "Issues: NAACP Freedom Fund," Courtis Fuller, Jeff Moran, WLWT-TV.

Third: "Columbus on the Record," WOSU.

Best Reporter

First: Ron Regan, WEWS-TV.

Second: "2007 and Still Going," Dave Summers, WKYC TV.

Third: Caryn Golden, WHIO TV.

Best Videographer

First: Kris Sproles, WDTN TV.

Second: Anthony Mirones, WCPO TV.

Third: Eric Frisbee, WHIO TV.

Television (Small Market)

Best Continuing Coverage

First: "Taser Arrest," Peggy Sinkovich and Nick Rich, WYTV.

Best Crime Reporting

First: "Taser Arrest," Nick Rich and Peggy Sinkovich, WYTV.

Best Documentary

First: "Milton Holland," Mark Leff, WOUB-TV.