



2025 Winners & Finalists

ARTS/CULTURAL AWARENESS

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Party in the Park & CLE Market-Rick DeWitt Music* - Lucas Hricko, Avon Lake Community Television
- **FINALIST:** *Rock the Plaza - Los Electros* - Los Electros, Norm Compton, Jan Howard, Paul Brandt, Otto Boschet, Access Fort Wayne
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *A Century Of Cinema: Katharine Hepburn* - Doug Sorrell, Mark Morgan, Mike Sopronyi, Miamisburg Eagles

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Santa Call-In 2024* - Rich LaRue, Doug Fritz, Katie Ward, Mike Sopronyi, Ray Gambrel, John Golub, Stephanie Golub, Greg Torre, Richard Diaz, Jenny Combs
- **FINALIST:** *Adventures in Crafting 2024* - Dana Denha, Keaton Cross, CTN
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Dave the Digger* - Patrick W. Dugan, Producer and Director, Larry Hollinger, Editor, Mahren Mahirajan, Editor
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *ONTV Kids Video Camp: The Great Library Caper (06/13/24)* - Orion Neighborhood Television , ONTV Kids Camp Class of 2024

COMEDY/HUMOR

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Mastication Station - Fitty Too!* - Tony Lemmon, Ed Daly, Otto Boschet, Access Fort Wayne
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Halloween Spooktacular 2024* - Mike Sopronyi, Shawn A. Green III, Greg Nichols, John Golub, Danny R.O., Darin M. Cox, Jim Bucher, Joe MacKenzie

COMMUNITY EVENT GENERAL

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Clarkston Garden Walk (2025)* - Ben Kowalski
- **FINALIST:** *A2 Bicentennial - 200th Birthday Bash* - Dana Denha, CTN
- **FINALIST:** *A2 Bicentennial GMA* - Dana Denha, Moe Elmasry, CTN
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Joseph Guy LaPointe Jr. Dedication* - Robert Kincses

COMMUNITY EVENT GENERAL- PARADES/FESTIVALS

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *2024 Findlay Market Opening Day Parade* - Steve Sobel
- **FINALIST:** *Avon Lake Homecoming Parade 2024* - Lucas Hricko, Avon Lake Community Television

DOCUMENTARY

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *History in Brief* - Kay Gregg, Jessie Cortesi, Access Fort Wayne
- **FINALIST:** *Waycross Community Forum: Tri-State Warbird Museum* - Waycross Community Media
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *I'll BC-ing You: The History of Battle Creek Central High School* - Kurt Thornton, AccessVision
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *Call For Service - From Dispatch to Action* - Jenna Arnold, HOMTV

EMPOWERMENT/INSPIRATIONAL

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Ann Arbor Inclusive 81 - Know Obstacles Band* - CTN, Steve Osburn & Aurora Hershey
- **FINALIST:** *Voices & Stories: LGBTQIA+ Inclusion and Acceptance in Our Community* - Centerville-Washington Diversity Council, Miami Valley Communications Council
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *S.E. Live 365 Presents The Wellness Wakeup Series (Episode 2)* - Deon Cash

ENTERTAINMENT

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *#463 The Concordia Choir - Concordia University Irvine - Irvine, California* - Paul C.E., Melin, Director of Production and Accessibility, *Worship Anew* - AccessFW, Fort Wayne, Indiana
- **FINALIST:** *The Great Lakes. Keep Their Dead | Michigan Moment* - Mat Legato and Michael Rosenkranz
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Halloween Spooktacular 2024* - Mike Sopronyi, Shawn A. Green III, Greg Nichols, John Golub, Danny R.O., Darin M. Cox, Jim Bucher, Joe MacKenzie
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *Wildwood Film Fest 2024: It Just Takes One* - Orion Neighborhood Television, Andrew Carpenter, Parker Gannon, Ben Redmon, & Freddy Velazquez

INSTRUCTIONAL

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *What to expect when you call 911?* - Seth Dixon, Louisville Metro TV
- **FINALIST:** *Good Eats With Gab EP1: Bolognese* - JWBRW TV - Gabriella Baldwin, Neko Trocki, Eric Marberger, Paul D'Angelo, Matt December

INTERVIEW/TALK SHOW

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Adventures in Parenthood 2024* - Dana Denha, Melissa Bondy, CTN
- **FINALIST:** *Park It Here - Golfing* - Seth Dixon, Louisville Metro TV
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *The Power of Money with Michelle Graves & Co host Barri Roberts Real Men Real Stories* - Michelle Graves, Bari Roberts, Melissa Constantine, Ben Artis

MAGAZINE PROGRAM

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Louisville This Week* - Louisville Metro TV Team, Louisville Metro TV
- **FINALIST:** *FYI 2024* - Dana Denha, CTN
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *Keeping Up with Ki* - Harris Nature Center - Mikia Lawrence, HOMTV

NEWS

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *FYI 2024* - Dana Denha, CTN
- **FINALIST:** *Good Morning, Meridian* - HOMTV Staff
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *Alliance Car Show* - Alliance High School Student

OVERALL EXCELLENCE – ACCESS TV

- **WINNER:** *CTN Best of 2024* - CTN Ann Arbor Producers
- **WINNER:** *Metro TV Overall Excellence for 2024* - Louisville Metro TV Team, Louisville Metro TV

PERFORMING ARTS

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *LIVE FROM CINCINNATI - Moonbeau* - Dean Lowry, Will Matthews, Moonbeau, ICRC-TV
- **FINALIST:** *Meet the Music - Taj Maholics* - Taj Maholics, Julia Meek, Travis Pope, John O'Rourke,

POLITICAL AWARENESS

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Independence Township- The Clerk's Office* - John Ehlke
- **FINALIST:** *Queeries S24E1 Ohio House Bill 68* - Randy Phillips
- **FINALIST:** *West Carrollton Mayor's Report 2023* - Rick Barnhart, Yvonne Concepcion, Richard Diaz
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *The Future is Now* - Patrick W. Dugan, Producer and Director, Larry Hollinger, Editor, Mahren Mahilrajan, Editor

PROMOTIONAL VIDEO (3:00 OR LESS)

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Experience Everything in Independence Township* - John Ehlke
- **FINALIST:** *Wadsworth CityLink Fiber* - Ayden Usinski, WCTV
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *AccessVision Classes promo* - Lauren Davis & Nathan Korp

PROMOTIONAL VIDEO (3:01 OR MORE)

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Shiawassee River Restoration Project* - Mat Legato
- **FINALIST:** *The Community Impact Team* - Mat Legato
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *The Future is Now* - Patrick W. Dugan, Producer and Director, Larry Hollinger, Editor, Mahren Mahilrajan, Editor

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Early Voting PSA* - John Ehlke
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Veterans Call Now* - Patrick W. Dugan, Larry Hollinger, Mahren Mahilrajan

RELIGIOUS/SPIRITUAL/INSPIRATIONAL

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Worship Anew #2296* - Paul C.E. Melin, Worship Anew - Access Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne, Indiana
- **FINALIST:** *The Parliament of the World's Religions* - Eugene Gussenhoven, Access Fort Wayne
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Living Green on a Blue Planet - POWR Hawaiian Mural* - Carl Jylland-Halverson, Access Fort Wayne

SPORTS COVERAGE

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *New Albany vs Lebanon Football 8/23/24* - Dean Lowry, Will Matthews, ICRC-TV
- **FINALIST:** *MVCC Game of the Week: Centerville at Miamisburg* - Jared Bergstrom, Richard Diaz, Joe Mackenzie, Evan Russell
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Indian Hill vs. Mariemont Football 9/13/24* - Patrick Mulcahey, ICRC-TV
- **STUDENT WINNER:** *Eisenhower vs Clarkston Football* - Matthew Bleau, Mat Legato, John Ehlke, Ryan Ehlke, Meiklo Rosario, Sam West, Zephyr Heaton, Jennah Holcombe and Cam Stanley

SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT/TALK

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Rock and Roll Wrestling LIVE* - Dale Grow
- **FINALIST:** *Remembering Dan Fife* - Michael Rosenkranz and Mat Legato

UNDERSERVED VOICES

- **PROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Lunch & Learn: Sexual Assault Awareness* - Darius Jones
- **FINALIST:** *Queeries A queer point of view from and older and younger person in the queer community* - Randy Phillips
- **NONPROFESSIONAL WINNER:** *Veterans Call Now* - Patrick W. Dugan, Larry Hollinger, Mahren Mahilrajan

EXCELLENCE IN ANIMATION

- **WINNER:** *AccessVision Video Production Class promo* - Jeffery Smith, AccessVision

EXCELLENCE IN DIRECTING

- **WINNER:** *LIVE FROM CINCINNATI - Moonbeau* - Dean Lowry, Will Matthews, Moonbeau, ICRC-TV

EXCELLENCE IN EDITING

- **WINNER:** *West Carrollton Mayor's Report 2023* - Rick Barnhart, Yvonne Concepcion, Richard Diaz

BEST IN SHOW

- **WINNER:** *Independence Township | The Fire Department* - John Ehlke

PHILO FESTIVAL OF MEDIA ARTS COORDINATORS

Melissa Bondy
Tim Neumann

THANK YOU TO THIS YEAR'S JUDGES

Alexis Chaviaras
Andrew Walker
Brady Wurtz
Chelsea Shar
Dana Denha
Darius Jones
Dennis Selm
Evan Russel
Jason Dudas
Jason Dudley
Jennifer Teipel
John Golub
Kara Neumann
Kris Ferguson
Matt December
Matt Schuster
Matt Richardson
Matthew Thomas
Melissa Bondy
Mike Sopronyi
Ray Gambrel
Rhine McLin
Richard Diaz
Rob Cross
Ryan Smith
Samantha Diehl
Scott Nadeau
Steve Sobel
Tim Nagae
Tim Neumann