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I. The Code of Ethical Conduct

The Code of Ethical Conduct ("Code of Conduct") is a policy outlining the principles and standards that all employees, members, and third parties acting on behalf of NATAS and its chapters must follow to maintain the high standard of professional conduct critical to the continued prestige of the organization (NATAS) and the National and Regional Emmy® Awards. All NATAS national and regional events are to be a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment for everyone to enjoy and celebrate. This Code of Conduct applies to all participants at events, competitions, or on our social media channels; to Chapter members, guests, staff, volunteers, and vendors.

II. Definition of Ethical Conduct and Practices

NATAS has zero tolerance for discrimination or harassment, illegal, dishonest, or unethical conduct. As such, members are expected to refrain from committing any act that will degrade NATAS in society, or prejudice, damage or harm the standing, reputation, welfare, and/or best interests of NATAS and its Members. NATAS will not tolerate, condone, or ignore unethical conduct and is committed to enforcing these standards at all levels.

III. Covered Conduct

NATAS AND ITS REGIONAL CHAPTERS DO NOT TOLERATE:

- Intimidation or threats
- Inappropriate disruptions
- Unwanted physical contact
- Hurtful language, hate speech, or discriminatory acts
- Physical assault
- Unwanted sexual attention
- Bullying or stalking
- Disorderly behavior as a result of public intoxication or other impairment related to substance abuse
- Any other action or activity which could reasonably be construed as contrary or detrimental to the best interests and reputation of NATAS and its regional chapters.
- A present conviction of a felony or other crime of moral turpitude is also a violation of this code of conduct.
- Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests as well.

IV. Enforcement

NATAS and its regional chapters reserve the right to remove or ban any person who does not adhere to the Code of Conduct. If you are asked to stop any harassing behavior, you must cease the behavior immediately.

If you experience or witness any form of harassment or violation of this Code of Conduct, contact:

- The nearest NATAS staff member, if a national event
- The nearest Chapter Governor or regional staff member, if a regional event
- You may submit an email complaint to reports@emmyonline.tv or to your chapter's Executive Director

Alleged violations of this Code of Conduct shall be reviewed and resolved in accordance with procedures adopted by NATAS Bylaws and/or Chapter Bylaws. Violations of the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action, up to and including but not limited to being refused admission or ejected from an event, being barred from future events, disqualification or suspended from participation in NATAS or Chapter competitions, or the suspension or expulsion of membership.

This Code of Conduct is subject to change and may be amended, supplemented or superseded by one or more separate policies without further notice. All Members are responsible for continuous review of this Code.

Welcome to the 25th Annual Upper Midwest Emmy® Gala.

To you, our now more than 700 dedicated academy members, and our many guests, welcome to your 25th annual Upper Midwest Regional Emmy® Awards Gala and Gold and Silver Circle Dinner!

On behalf of our chapter's all-volunteer board of governors and the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, thank you for your dedication to advancing the arts and sciences of television and promoting creative leadership for artistic, educational, and technical achievements. By contributing your considerable time, talent, and experience, you are making a positive difference in the future of our beloved field!

If you are joining us tonight and are not yet a member, we invite you to consider joining our academy, foundation, board, or one of our many committees that make events like this possible.

Tonight, we begin our celebration by honoring the newest inductee to our prestigious Gold Circle, past Chapter President Jodi Ritacca Carlini of Carlini Entertainment, and three Silver Circle honorees: Ron Demers of KTIV, Bill Sherck of Ron Schara Productions, and Alicia Garcia of KOTA. We're also proudly recognizing more than 430 Upper Midwest Emmy nominees and announcing our 2024 Upper Midwest Emmy recipients.

Tonight's gala may be the most visible part of our chapter and foundation's work. However, it's important to know that we also provide year-round professional development for our members across Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Western Wisconsin through our innovative Emmys on the Road workshops. We also recognize and foster the next generation of media industry leaders through scholarships, classroom grants, and our student and AV all-star awards.

For tonight's festivities, we extend a special thank you to Maritsa Georgiou and Justin McCray, our emcees who helped make this all possible.

Finally, I thank our extraordinary executive director, JJ Murray, and our dedicated and generous Board of Governors. Without all of their work behind the scenes, we could not enjoy a wonderful evening like this. Thank you all!

Now, let's celebrate!



Ben Houtkooper
President, Board of Governors
NATAS - Upper Midwest Chapter
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Congratulations to all of this year's nominees!

What an honor it is to be recognized by your peers.

Tonight's gala marks my first full year as Awards Chair for the NATAS Upper Midwest Chapter. It's been a year of learning. From selecting judges to the process of nominating and honoring recipients, there is a lot that goes into the awards process. But I think I speak for everyone involved in that process when I say the time and effort is worth the satisfaction of seeing so many people recognized on nights like tonight.

This year, I attended my first NATAS Annual Chapter Awards Meeting in Las Vegas. As nominees, you should take comfort in knowing how much thought and consideration goes into the awards process. From category descriptions to judging rules, a lot was covered during the day-long meeting. In some cases, there were lengthy conversations about the choice of one word. Think about how the words may, can, or should change the meaning of a sentence or a rule. I can tell you that the Awards Chairs of every Chapter, including myself, take those discussions and decisions seriously. Maintaining the integrity of the Emmy® Awards is important to all of us.

As you spend tonight celebrating your friends and colleagues, keep in mind that none of this would be possible without the people who volunteer their time to judge entries. This year, our Chapter received 955 submissions. Each one of those entries is judged by colleagues from Chapters around the country. Our members do the same for other Chapters. But we can always use more judges.

Remember, when you submit an entry, you agree to serve as a judge when asked. If you haven't judged before, or haven't done so in a few years, please make a note to do so in the future. It's a chance to see work from other markets. Maybe the entry you judge will spark an idea for a story that will be honored at next year's Gala!

Once again, congratulations to everyone nominated this year. Best of luck tonight!



Kevin King
Awards Chair
NATAS – Upper Midwest Chapter
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Welcome to a Night of Inspiration

The 25th Annual Upper Midwest Regional Emmy® Awards Gala!

Tonight, we come together to celebrate an extraordinary milestone—the 25th Annual Upper Midwest Regional Emmy® Awards Gala! The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences – Upper Midwest Chapter extends a heartfelt thank you to John M. James, C.P.A., for his impeccable ballot tabulation and for safeguarding the integrity of the awards process.

The 2024 Upper Midwest Emmy® Awards stand as a testament to the boundless creativity of our region, with more than 950 submissions from over 100 companies and media platforms. Tonight, we honor nearly 450 extraordinary nominations, each reflecting the excellence, passion, and perseverance that define our industry. On behalf of the Awards Committee and the Upper Midwest Emmy® Chapter Board of Governors, we congratulate all our outstanding nominees. Your relentless pursuit of greatness does not go unnoticed.

For all those listed in the nominations or among the winners, you have the opportunity to own your personalized Nomination or Regional Emmy® Award, engraved with your name and role. To claim your piece of this momentous occasion, visit our Awards Store at www.midwestemmys.org.

But our mission goes far beyond recognition. The Upper Midwest Emmy® Chapter is dedicated to being a beacon of professional growth and artistic development. Through our Emmy® on the Road workshops, we are traveling across the region, offering FREE hands-on experiences for both seasoned professionals and students. These workshops provide a platform to explore award-winning narratives, creative techniques, and insights into the Emmy® entry process. Interested in hosting a workshop in your area? Reach out to us at info@midwestemmys.org.

As we celebrate the exceptional nominees and winners of the 2024 Upper Midwest Emmy® Awards, we applaud the remarkable talent that continues to elevate the creative landscape of our industry. Tonight, we honor your vision, your passion, and the legacy you are building. Congratulations to all!



John (JJ) Murray
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NATAS - Upper Midwest Chapter
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GOLD & SILVER CIRCLE

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ARTS & SCIENCES

GOLD & SILVER CIRCLE HONORS HOSTS



Pete and Kimberly Bedell Rhodes are producers of diversity media and arts programming, providing communications, entertainment, outreach and education to urban markets since 1980. The team founded The Minnesota Black Music Awards in 1982 to recognize local and national black music artist in the midwest. In 1984 the couple launched CBLS (Cable's Best Looking Sound) to 25k cable homes as Minnesota's only African American owned cable-programming channel.



Today as Black Music America, the network broadcasts to over 500,000 cable subscribers throughout Minnesota, western Wisconsin and most social media platforms. The channel's mission is to spotlight black culture, business, music artist, exclusive shows and provide industry training, education and careers. The Rhodes & Bedell Music collection has amassed 30,000 black music titles, creating a lasting platform to provide diversity in programming content and quality features for audience and client collections locally and worldwide. BMA II launched on Roku Music+ in 2022. Launching 2022, BMA II On Roku "Music+."





CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL OUR REGIONAL EMMY®
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AND 2024 SILVER CIRCLE HONOREE



KTIV CHIEF METEOROLOGIST

RON
DEMERS



RON DEMERS



When Ron Demers was growing up in Storm Lake, Iowa, he never would have guessed he'd be doing weather for the station he grew up watching. Ron's attention didn't turn to weather until after he started working at KTIV.

Ron's interest in broadcasting began in news. His first job was a part-time summer position at KAYL Radio in Storm Lake anchoring sports and weather, which eventually led to doing the news. While in college, Ron was news editor of the campus newspaper, worked at KWIT radio, and started an internship at KTIV all in the same year.

KTIV's internship turned into a part-time job as editor and reporter, which led to his full-time reporter job on graduation. Shortly thereafter, Ron started doing the weekend weather. His interest in the weather grew and he took the morning weather position at KTIV. In 1996 he became Chief Meteorologist, a position he still has today at KTIV.

He graduated from Briar Cliff College in 1992 with a major in mass communications. Ron did his meteorology training through Mississippi State University and was awarded the coveted Seal of Approval from the American Meteorological Society in 1998.

Both Ron and his wife are Siouxland natives. Ron was born and raised in Storm Lake, IA, while Katie is from Sioux City. She is a reading specialist in Sioux City and also graduated from Briar Cliff. Ron and Katie are the proud parents of four kids.



The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences-Upper Midwest Chapter recognizes individuals who have made a significant contribution to television well above and beyond that required by their job. That contribution can be in service to the industry, to NATAS, to the community, or to people training for a career in the field.



The Gold & Silver Circle is not an award; it's a society of honor. It is recognition of eligible individuals who have made a significant contribution to television well above and beyond that required by their job. That contribution can be in service to the industry, to NATAS, to the community, or to people training for a career in the field. Nominees answer to the highest standards of integrity and honor in all aspects of their personal and professional lives.

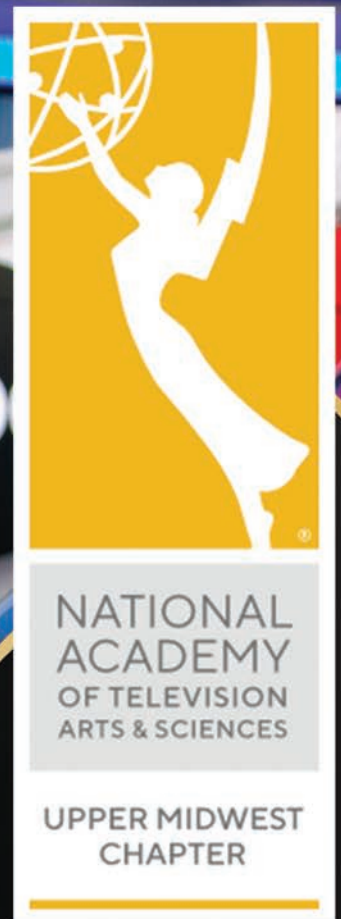
Nominations are accepted from the performing, creative, technical or administrative roles within the industry or in peripheral areas directly related to television such as commercial production, journalism or education. Neither nominators nor nominees need to be members of NATAS.

The Gold & Silver Award Committee reviews all nominees past and present to make a recommendation to the NATAS-Upper Midwest Board of Governors.



KOTA TERRITORY *Congratulates*

Alicia Garcia
2024 Silver Circle Honoree



ALICIA GARCIA



Alicia Garcia's journey to Rapid City, South Dakota was as unexpected as it was transformative. It certainly wasn't where anyone who grew up with her thought she would spend her professional career. Alicia grew up as the stereotypical 'valley girl' in Southern California. In fact, she still has flashbacks of learning to drive on Los Angeles freeways. After college, she next graduated with a law degree from Stanford University and went to work with CBS Television in L.A.

It took a few earthquakes, riots and fires before she realized she wanted to make a life and raise a family somewhere else. Back in the day, a.k.a pre-internet, the best way to research a location was to go there, so Alicia decided she would tour America in search of the 'perfect' place to live. To her family and friends' amazement, Alicia packed up her things, put them in storage and drove around the country. She found the beautiful Black Hills.

Fast forward more than 25 years, Alicia's name is synonymous with KOTA Territory News both as a reporter/anchor and as a community advocate. She is one of South Dakota's most experienced journalists and the longest running female anchor in the state. She's reported from across the region to the other side of the state and around the world. In 2019, Alicia traveled to India to tell the story of a Rapid City dentist who was building an orphanage and providing free dental care to widows and orphans.

Garcia has interviewed lawmakers at all levels. During the COVID-19 pandemic, she conducted 30-minute interviews with Senator John Thune and Representative Dusty Johnson. Alicia also moderated political debates including congressional and gubernatorial ones. One prominent politician was so concerned about Alicia's debate preparation, that they tried to have her removed as moderator. In a win for local journalism, the management for KOTA Territory News supported Alicia 100% and the politician's team backed down.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Alicia is deeply committed to her community. Alicia serves as the Director of the KOTA Care & Share Food Drive which raises food and money to help feed the hungry in the area. The events that she helps organize bring in tens of thousands of dollars. For her dedication to this cause, Alicia was nominated for an Upper Midwest Regional Emmy.®

Alicia is the proud recipient of the Tom Brokaw Award for excellence in journalism, an award given to only one South Dakota journalist each year. The Midwest Broadcast Journalists Association also awarded Alicia with a 1st Place Eric Sevareid award for her reporting on the survivors of the 1972 Rapid City Flood.

Alicia's passion for journalism extends beyond her own career. She established a memorial scholarship in the name of her dear friend, former Sports Director and Upper Midwest Regional Emmy winner Jamie Zepp. This scholarship awards thousands of dollars every year to local students planning to pursue a career in journalism.

BILL SHERCK



Telling outdoor stories comes naturally to Bill Sherck. Television viewers know him better as “The Man About The Woods”; A twenty-six-time Regional Emmy® Award-winning outdoor reporter and show host. Bill’s earned just about every award in the business for his unique style of storytelling.

Viewers can catch Bill’s work on several of the country’s most popular outdoors television programs including, “Minnesota Bound”, seen on NBC affiliates throughout Minnesota, “The Flush” on Outdoor Channel, “Due North Outdoors”, “Rooster Tales” and “Backroads” on Bally Sports Networks and “Made For The Outdoors”, on the Sportsman Channel.

Sherck enjoys sharing his stories with conservation groups, teaching as part of fishing and hunting seminars, and also fishes/guides for various charity and fundraising tournaments. He spends every free moment with his wife Katie and two sons Brady and Bennett. Bill also coaches multiple youth soccer and hockey teams in the Western suburbs.



Born in Mississauga, Ontario, Bill’s family eventually moved to Minnesota where his father and grandfather taught him to fish and hunt. After graduation from St. Norbert College in 1994, Bill went to work in the television business. He reported local news in three midwestern markets before moving to the East Coast to report local and national news as part of Fox News Corp. After Y2K, Bill moved back to Minneapolis where he spent three years on-air at KSTP/KSTC-TV. In 2003, Bill turned his focus to outdoor television. He’s been at it ever since!

RETIREMENTS



DAN BREEDON



ALIX KENDALL



RANDY SHAVER





DAVID BOOTH (1964-2024)

David Ward Booth, 59, of La Crescent, Minn., began his eternal life Friday, June 21, 2024 at Mayo Clinic Health System La Crosse.

Dave attended the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and graduated with a B.S. in Radio/Television Broadcast Management in 1987. To say that the media was in his blood is an understatement. His career led him to multiple television stations during his 37-year career, including WQOW 18, KOLN/KGIN, and WHBF. In 1992, he took a job as the Local Sales Manager at WXOW 19. At that time, it was his dream to be the youngest Sales Manager, and he achieved that dream. At his time of death, Dave was the General Manager, and it was a job he was proud to have. He was a past President of the La Crosse Area Chamber of Commerce and La Crosse Symphony Orchestra.



KAREN HUBBARD (1936-2024)

Karen Hubbard was born in Saint Paul, MN, and grew up in a close-knit family. Her father, a dedicated eye, ear, nose & throat doctor inspired her early interest in helping others. She worked in his office and spent summers volunteering as a candy striper at Gillette Children's Hospital, all while racing sailboats on White Bear Lake.

Karen was an active and committed member of her community. She served on the Minnesota-Wisconsin Boundary Area Commission, playing a key role in shaping St. Croix River policies after its designation as a National Scenic Waterway. Living year-round on the St. Croix, Karen helped establish the Lower St. Croix Valley Youth Center in 1968 after her husband Stanley's jeep fell through the ice while creating a skating rink for their children. Karen also served on the boards of several organizations, including the Minnesota Orchestra and Children's Home Society, always dedicated to causes close to her heart.



Stanley credits Karen with being his partner in every professional endeavor, saying, "everything we accomplished professionally could not have been possible without Karen's enthusiastic willingness to be my partner in all that we did. At every turn she offered her best ideas, support, and, when necessary, challenged my thinking."



BOB PETERSON (1959-2024)

Beloved member of KMSP and WFTC Engineering Department for over 30 years, Bob Peterson unexpectedly passed away on April 13, 2024. He was a cherished friend and colleague and is dearly missed.





Award-winning journalist Jodi Ritacca Carlini has been an eyewitness to local, state and national news since 1974. She has worked in the Minnesota Twin Cities media the past 32 years, including producing health and medical news stories at KSTP-TV.

Since 2005, Jodi has hosted and produce her very own 2010 Regional Emmy® Award-Winning TV show “Inside Health Care.” Jodi has worked as TV news reporter, an anchor, producer, independent documentary & video producer, moderator, and producer of live webcasts in the 5-state Upper Midwest Emmy® Chapter.

Jodi was named News Director at KNOP-TV in 1979, and was one of the first female TV News Directors in the country. Her most memorable broadcasts of her career involved moderating and producing live coverage of surgeries on the internet. She has been privileged to interview five U.S. presidents, countless Hollywood stars, like Bob Hope, music legends including Willie Nelson, and sports icons like Kirby Puckett, not to mention astronaut, Buzz Aldrin.

Jodi grew up in Kenosha, Wisconsin. In 2020, she received the Distinguished Alumni award from Kenosha Bradford High School in the field of Journalism. Jodi filmed, wrote, edited, and produced stories for college broadcasts at the University of Idaho and the University of Colorado-Boulder, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Broadcast Journalism.

Jodi has served as a panelist on gubernatorial, congressional, and senatorial debates since the 1980s and will moderate candidate forums this fall. She also received the “Law Day Award” from Nebraska’s 13th

Judicial District for her coverage of courts in 1992. Jodi was also instrumental in getting the Nebraska State Supreme Court to allow cameras in the courtrooms for the first time.

Greg Carlini, Jodi’s husband of 41 years, directed her evening newscasts for more than a decade. They were blessed with two adult children, Christina (Tyler Souter) and Joe Carlini, and three beautiful grandchildren, Aiden (10), Amira (8) and Aviana (4).

She’s received four Upper Midwest Emmy® Awards and 20 Regional Emmy® Nominations from 1998-2023. In 2015, Jodi’s son, Joe, received an Upper Midwest Emmy® for a very personal short documentary about his Grandpa Carlini. Her family has awarded several Carlini Media Scholarships in his grandpa’s name for deserving students in our 5-state region.

Inspired by Jodi’s dear grandpa Joe Ritacca, an Italian immigrant named “An Exemplary Citizen” for his service as an American soldier in WWI, Jodi is deeply passionate about volunteerism. She helped raise \$500,000 to help local non-profits and families in need. In 2020, she was named Washington County’s “Volunteer of the Year” and she received the 2023 “Everyday Hero” award for her volunteerism in her community of Woodbury.

Jodi has been proud to serve on the Upper Midwest Emmy® Chapter & Foundation Boards since 2014. She served as Chapter President for six years and Foundation Vice President. She is a 2019 Silver Circle Honoree and is very excited to be honored with the 2024 NATAS Gold Circle this year during the Chapter’s 25th Anniversary Gala.



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GALA HOSTS

MARITSA GEORGIU



Maritsa Georgiou joined Scripps News after years as an anchor at NBC Montana where she specialized in COVID-19, politics and wildfire coverage. She's most widely known for her reporting on the planned removal of USPS blue collection boxes before the 2020 election, which earned her the 2021 Walter Cronkite Award for Excellence in Television Political Journalism. The Montana Broadcasters Association awarded her the 2019 E.B. Craney award for Television Broadcaster of the Year.



Maritsa grew up in Minneapolis, where her late grandfather Barry Zevan "The Weather Man" still holds a Nielsen ratings record for a local weather forecast. Favorite things include travel, coffee, Flathead Lake, Disney parks, Brandi Carlile and spending hours buried in a good book. She lives in Missoula with her husband, their son and two rotten dogs.

JUSTIN MCCRAY



News Cinematographer Justin McCray has more than 20 years of experience in television news. Having worked in markets across the country, Justin has a keen talent for quickly mastering technology, and creating visual masterpieces.



Justin is a 14-time Regional Emmy® Award Winning Photojournalist and 2018 NPPA Central General Region Photojournalist of the Year. He currently works for CBS News/The Innovation Lab Investigative In-Depth Team based in Atlanta, Georgia.

Prior to CBS, Justin worked for Scripps News in Atlanta, Ga, KMSP-TV FOX 9 News and KSTP-TV in Minnesota as well as stations in Alabama, Miami & Orlando, Florida and his home state of Mississippi.



**Congratulations and heartfelt thanks
to our dedicated team
for six 2024
Regional Emmy® Nominations!**



2024 Nominees

Due to space limitations, only the primary entrant is listed in the print program.
The full and complete list of entrants and roles can be found at midwestemmys.org.

HISTORICAL/CULTURAL/NOSTALGIA – NEWS

JANUARY 11, 1974 | TOWN SQUARE TELEVISION
ASHLEY BOWES, PRODUCER

**JOHN WESLEY HARPER: BLACK CIVIL WAR SOLDIER UNMARKED GRAVE |
KMSP**
KELCEY CARLSON, REPORTER

SLOWING DOWN IN A FORD MODEL A | WDIO
BAIHLY WARFIELD, WRITER

SUITED WELL | NDC4
DENNIS RAFFTERY, EDITOR

THE ERAS OF THE GRANDSTAND | KARE
MICHELLE BAIK, PRODUCER

HISTORICAL/CULTURAL/NOSTALGIA – SHORT FORM

ALL THE HOURS OF LOVE | PIONEER PBS
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

BUD GRANT: HE DID IT HIS WAY | VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK
ARTHUR KUH, EDITOR

MOUSENIK | KSMQ
KEVIN HANSON, PRODUCER

**ON THE EDGE OF THE WIND:
NATIVE STORYTELLERS AND THE LAND | PRAIRIE PUBLIC**
MATT OLIEN, PRODUCER

REMEMBERING THE FITZ' | RON SHARA PRODUCTIONS
BILL SHERCK, PRODUCER

SMALL TOWN, BIG TRADITION | PIONEER PBS
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

THE OPE FILES | PBS NORTH
STEVEN ASH, PHOTOGRAPHER

HISTORICAL/CULTURAL/NOSTALGIA – LONG FORM

CARL BEN EIELSON: OVER THE TOP OF THE WORLD |
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AEROSPACE NETWORK
DAVID KUZNICKI, PRODUCER

JOSIE JOHNSON: HOPE IN THE STRUGGLE | TWIN CITIES PBS
MIRANDA HARINCAR, PRODUCER

KSTP-TV 75TH ANNIVERSARY RETROSPECTIVE | KSTP
TOM HAUSER, REPORTER

MINNESOTA LEGENDS: THE JUICY LUCY | KMSP
SEAN SKINNER, PRODUCER

RIDES WITH JAY THOMAS: A PIECE OF HISTORY | KVLY
IKE WALKER, PRODUCER

RON STEELE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY | KWWL
BETH SORENSEN, PRODUCER

NEWSCAST – DAYTIME (MARKETS 121+)

DAYBREAK NEWSCAST MAY 10 GOVERNOR'S FISHING OPENER | KIMT
ANDREW BOYSEN, PRODUCER

KTIV NEWS 4 TODAY – NOV. 22, 2023 | KTIV
AL JOENS, ANCHOR

KTTC NEWS TODAY: FIRST ALERT DAY | KTTC
KELSEY MARIER, ANCHOR

NORTHERN NEWS NOW TODAY WINTER STORM COVERAGE | KBJR
NATALIE HOEPNER, PRODUCER/ANCHOR

NEWSCAST – DAYTIME (MARKETS 76-120)

KELOLAND NEWS FIRST@4 | KELO
HANNAH FOSTER, PRODUCER

WDAY BREAKING NEWS MORNING | WDAY
SCOTT ENGEN, ANCHOR

NEWSCAST – DAYTIME (MARKETS 1-75)

KARE 11 SUNRISE | KARE
JORDY FOY, PRODUCER

KCCI 8 NEWS THIS MORNING JULY 27, 2023 | KCCI
SHANNON TURNER, PRODUCER

THE 4: BREAKING WEATHER & BRIDGE COLLAPSE | WCCO
ANNIE KELBY, PRODUCER

TRAGEDY IN PERRY, IOWA | WOI
SIMON DANIELS, PRODUCER

WCCO MORNINGS 6AM NEWSCAST | WCCO
HEATHER BROWN, ANCHOR

GRAPHIC ARTS

BEN MALLEY COMPOSITE | TWIN CITIES PBS

CROSS MENTAL HEALTH REGION: EXPLAINER VIDEO | TRILIX
JOSH DE LANOIT, ANIMATOR

MC22 SPORTS OPENS COMPOSITE | MEDIACOM MC22
BRENT WILLETT, MOTION GRAPHICS

RYAN GAUSE COMPOSITE | MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB

WHO IS IOWA MHDS? | TRILIX
KATIE SAILER, MOTION GRAPHICS

DIRECTOR – NEWSCAST OR LIVE/RECORDED LIVE PROGRAM

ADDISON CHERNOW COMPOSITE | WCCO

**ISAAC RICE DIRECTOR MULTIVIEWER AND TRACK |
CCX MEDIA/NORTHWEST COMMUNITY TELEVISION**

KTIV NEWS 4: TORNADOES IN SIOUXLAND | KTIV
TREVOR HUBER, DIRECTOR

KWWL NEWS AT 6 | KWWL
JEFF SANDLIN, DIRECTOR

SIOUX CITY PREPARES FOR A BLIZZARD AND IOWA CAUCUSES | KTIV
GREG FISHER, DIRECTOR



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VALLEY NEWS
Live



KFYR TV
YOUR NEWS LEADER

KTTC



DIRECTOR – SHORT OR LONG FORM

CARL BEN EIELSON: OVER THE TOP OF THE WORLD |
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IAN FRITZ, DIRECTOR

ELEVATE | MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES
RYAN THIELEN, DIRECTOR

LUMINARY COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR REEL 2024 | LUMINARY CREATIVE
JACOB MOYER, DIRECTOR

PROFE | TWIN CITIES PBS
SERGIO RAPU, DIRECTOR

THE AVIATRIX | UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AEROSPACE NETWORK
DAVID KUZNICKI, DIRECTOR

EDITOR – NEWS/SPORTS

ALEX MILLER EDITING COMPOSITE – SPORTS |
VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK

CAITLIN CLARK MIXTAPE | IOWA ATHLETICS
DALTON CONRAD, EDITOR

DEVIN KRINKE NEWS EDITOR COMPOSITE | KARE

OUR WARMING LAKES | WCCO
JOSE PASCUAL, EDITOR

THE ARTISTRY OF HOCKEY | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
NICOLE KUNKEL, EDITOR

EDITOR – SHORT OR LONG FORM

ARTHUR KUH COMPOSITE | VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK

DREAM STATE SEASON V | SSQTCH
CONOR MURPHY, EDITOR

JOSH GATES | KSFY/KDLT

PETE HERMANN-FRANZEN EDITING COMPOSITE | RON SCHARA
PRODUCTIONS

RELISH | TWIN CITIES PBS
JACK DAVIS, EDITOR

THE MOOSERS | 515 PRODUCTIONS
IAN PLANCHON, EDITOR

PHOTOGRAPHER – NEWS/SPORTS

AN IOWA CITY HOMECOMING | IOWA ATHLETICS
DALTON CONRAD, PHOTOGRAPHER

DAYTURN DADDY COMPOSITE | KARE
TOMMY PLATEK, PHOTOGRAPHER

DEVIN KRINKE NEWS PHOTOGRAPHY COMPOSITE | KARE

NICK LUNEMANN PHOTOGRAPHY COMPOSITE | WCCO

STOVER PHOTOGRAPHY COMPILATION | KARE
RON STOVER, PHOTOGRAPHER

WILLOW IN THE WILD | KMSP
WILLOW BRYN LOCKE, PHOTOGRAPHER

PHOTOGRAPHER – SHORT OR LONG FORM

RELISH | **TWIN CITIES PBS**
JACK DAVIS, PHOTOGRAPHER

KENNY KNUTSON COMPOSITE – WESTERN SKIES SCENIC BYWAY | **IOWA PBS**

KEVIN MCKEEVER 2024 COMPOSITE | **IMAGE GENERATION**

LUMINARY COMMERCIAL CINEMATOGRAPHER REEL 2024 |
LUMINARY CREATIVE
JACOB MOYER, PHOTOGRAPHER

SEA CAVE PHOTOGRAPHER | **RON SCHARA PRODUCTIONS**
BEN ELLING, PHOTOGRAPHER

MAGAZINE PROGRAM

IOWA LIFE (EPISODE #108) | **IOWA PBS**
THERESA KNIGHT, PRODUCER

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Terry O'Reilly is Chairman of the The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS). In that role he leads governance for the 17,000-member organization, which is dedicated to “the advancement of the arts and sciences of television and the promotion of creative leadership for artistic, educational and technical achievements within the television industry.”

A multiple award-winning television executive, producer, and journalist for more than four decades, Mr. O'Reilly also currently serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of Pittsburgh Community Broadcasting Corporation, owner and operator of public media outlets in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

His resume includes experience in senior roles in the US and abroad, at ABC News/The Walt Disney Company, The Weather Channel, Twin Cities PBS, Hubbard Broadcasting Company and Westinghouse Broadcasting Company.

He is a past Trustee and is a Life Member of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS), past Chairman of the Royal Television Society (North America) and he is a voting member of the British Academy of Film & Television Arts (BAFTA).

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MAN'S BEST FRIEND | KARE

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LEAH BENO, REPORTER

SOMETHING IN COMMON | KARE

MITCHELL YEHL, PHOTOGRAPHER

THE TOLL ON HEALTHCARE WORKERS | WCCO

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COLONOSCOPY, CONVERSATION AND CARE | KTIV
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TOP OF THE CLASS | KARE
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KIRSTEN MITCHELL, REPORTER

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GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS: INTEGRATING PROACTIVE SAFETY AND SECURITY MEASURES | MARKETING WURKS
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JONAH'S HEROIC HANDS | WXOW
DUSTIN LUECKE, REPORTER

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KEVIN WALLEVAND, REPORTER

READING WITH MAGGIE | KARE
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WILLY'S BIG DAY | WOI
CHENUE HER, REPORTER

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ERIC RASMUSSEN, REPORTER

THC CANNING CONCERNS | KSTP
BEN HENRY, REPORTER

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Visionary broadcaster and community activist Sheletta Brundidge used her small business/production company ShelettaMakesMeLaugh.com to create and then cover Black Entrepreneurs Day at the Capitol.

Unlike other groups that retain lobbyists to further their interests, Brundidge recognized that Black small business owners (like her) lacked a presence at the Capitol while the pie was being cut and decisions that affected them were being made.

So Brundidge conceived and executed **Black Entrepreneurs Day at the Capitol** to change that, and created a plan to broadcast the activities of the day as a public service.

On February 16, 2024, **Black Entrepreneurs Day at the Capitol** brought hundreds of Black business owners and their allies to the seat of government in St Paul to flex their political muscle. ShelettaMakesMeLaugh.com produced multi-camera live coverage of the full event, carried on KARE11.

Brundidge herself not only hosted this first-of-its-kind event but also led the large team of photographers, producers, writers, runners and others in coordinating the broadcast.

Their live coverage gave the larger community a window to the event. Viewers who tuned into the broadcast got the chance to listen to inspiring stories told by Black small business owners at the Rally in the Rotunda.

Viewers also heard from elected leaders, (including Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan, Senate President Bobby Joe Champion and Speaker of the House Melissa Hortman) legislators and policy makers.

Broadcasting the event elevated the mission of Black Entrepreneurs Day at the Capitol and provided coverage of a vital business community whose struggles and triumphs have been largely ignored or neglected.

This ambitious broadcast broadened the impact of the groundbreaking day, demystified the political process, and put an unprecedented spotlight on the needs, values and accomplishments of Minnesota's Black entrepreneurs.

Congratulations!

From all of us in the Comcast Midwest Region, congratulations to our very own, Dameon Campbell, for winning The Board of Governors' Regional Emmy® Award for the comprehensive coverage of Black Entrepreneurs Day at the Capitol hosted by ShelettaMakesMeLaugh.com

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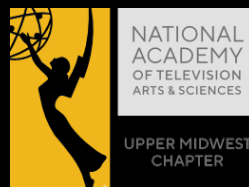


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RISE OF THE GLOCK "SWITCH" | KARE
RON STOVER, PRODUCER

THE WOMEN WHO PROSECUTED MINNESOTA'S JEFFREY EPSTEIN | KSTP
KIRSTEN SWANSON, REPORTER

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT – NEWS

A FLAG NOT FLYING | KARE
BOYD HUPPERT, PRODUCER

COFFEE WITH THE CANDIDATES | KCCI
AMANDA ROOKER, ANCHOR

TALE OF THE TAPE | KSTP
ERIC RASMUSSEN, REPORTER

THE CITY WITHOUT A MAYOR | WKBT
KEN KOSIROWSKI, REPORTER

THE RACE TO REGULATE A.I. | KSTP
KIRSTEN SWANSON, REPORTER

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT – SHORT FORM

THE 1968 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN | PIONEER PBS
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT – LONG FORM

ALMANAC AT THE CAPITOL | TWIN CITIES PBS
MARY LAHAMMER, HOST

WEATHER – NEWS

CAR THRU THE ICE | KARE
RON STOVER, PHOTOGRAPHER

**FROM HEARTBREAK TO HEALING:
WAYNE, NEBRASKA TORNADO, 10 YEARS LATER | KTIV**
MATT BREEN, REPORTER

THROUGH THE ICE: HISTORIC UPPER RED LAKE ICE RESCUES | KBJR
LAURA LEE, REPORTER

WEATHERZ SCHOOL | WDIO
BRANDON WEATHERZ, WRITER

WINTER WEATHER READY | WDIO
JUSTIN LILES, METEOROLOGIST

WEATHER – SHORT OR LONG FORM

FIRST ALERT SEVERE WEATHER SPECIAL | KSFY/KDLT
JUSTIN WULF, PRODUCER

FIRST ALERT STORMTEAM SPOTS SISTER TORNADOES | KVLV
SUMMER SCHNELLBACH, TALENT

KTIV FIRST ALERT WEATHER: STAYING SAFE IN SIOUXLAND STORMS | KTIV
BRANDON IRVINE, PRODUCER

NEW NORMAL: HOW CLIMATE SHIFTS ARE IMPACTING OUR LIVES | WDIO
BRANDON WEATHERZ, REPORTER

THE IOWA FLOOD OF 2008 IN THEIR OWN WORDS | KGAN/KFXA
NICK STEWART, PRODUCER

DAILY NEWS REPORT – (SINGLE SHIFT)

TRUE GRIT: HOW SILVER LAKE SAVED SUMMER | KARE
KENT ERDAHL, REPORTER

UNTIL THE WHEELS FALL OFF | KARE
HEIDI WIGDAHL, REPORTER

US POND HOCKEY | KARE
TOMMY PLATEK, PRODUCER

WHAT CAN BE UNDONE IN TIME | KARE
MITCHELL YEHL, PHOTOGRAPHER

HARD NEWS REPORT – (NO PRODUCTION TIME LIMIT)

DULUTH HOUSING CRISIS: EMPLOYERS BAND TOGETHER | KBJR
DAN WOLFE, REPORTER

FALLEN FIRST RESPONDERS | WCCO
LEAH HENRY, PRODUCER

MIRACLE RESCUE | WQOW
CHRIS HOYT, PHOTOGRAPHER

NEIGHBORHOODS WITHOUT NEIGHBORS | KBJR
DAN WOLFE, REPORTER

NEWS FEATURE – LIGHT FEATURE

ART FROM THE INSIDE | BLCK PRESS
GEORGIA FORT, PRODUCER

BURIED TREASURE | KARE
DAVID PORTER, PHOTOGRAPHER

FLOATING HOT DOG CART CRUISES LAKE VERMILION | WDIO
BAIHLY WARFIELD, REPORTER

HEART IN THE RIGHT PLACE | KARE
SAMIE SOLINA, REPORTER

MR. HALLOWEEN | KARE
KENT ERDAHL, REPORTER

MY FRIEND JOE | KARE
BOYD HUPPERT, PRODUCER

TAILS FROM THE CATWALK | KARE
HEIDI WIGDAHL, PRODUCER

NEWS FEATURE – SERIOUS FEATURE

BITTER HARVEST | KARE
BOYD HUPPERT, PRODUCER

CHERYL'S CHOICE | KSTP
DAVID PETERSON, PHOTOGRAPHER

MINNESOTA NICE | WCCO
SUSAN-ELIZABETH LITTLEFIELD, REPORTER

THE KINGBIRD SISTERS | KARE
HEIDI WIGDAHL, REPORTER

WALKING BY FAITH | KARE
WILL HALL, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST (MMJ)

SPORTS STORY – NEWS

AVA'S DREAM TEAM | WCCO
THOMAS RYTHUR, PHOTOGRAPHER

**GROWING THE GAME:
VIKINGS SAFETY GIVES BACK TO HIS HOME COUNTRY | KMSP**
SE KWON, PRODUCER

KIRK COUSINS 1-ON-1 | KARE
JANA SHORTAL, TALENT

MUD DUCKS | KARE
BOYD HUPPERT, PRODUCER

SECOND LIFE OF THE ULTIMATE FIGHTER | KARE
RON STOVER, PRODUCER

SPORTS STORY – SHORT OR LONG FORM CONTENT

**JACKRABBIT JUNIOR COMPLETES COMEBACK AFTER AMPUTATION |
SANFORD HEALTH NEWS**
MATT HOLSEN, WRITER

LUCK & LOVE: A RODEO STORY | PIONEER PBS
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

MICHAEL BOXALL PLAYER PROFILE | MINNESOTA UNITED FC
SARAH KORPI, PRODUCER

THE CULTURE AND HISTORY OF IOWA MEN'S WRESTLING | TRILIX
BRETT ADAMS, PRODUCER

TRACK THE PACK – S5 EP6 | MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES
GRAM KRAUSE-LYONS, EDITOR

SPORTS PROGRAM

BECOMING WILD | MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB
BRANDON MCCAULEY, PRODUCER

BEYOND OUR ICE – DEWEY AND THE DUDE | MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB
MONTY TORRES, PRODUCER

TALES FROM THE HARDWOOD | SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC BROADCASTING
NATE WEK, PRODUCER

THE VOYAGE | VIKING ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK
NATE VAUGHN, PRODUCER

TWINS LIVE – PREGAME SHOW JUNE 21, 2023 | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
KATELYNN HALTER, PRODUCER

SPORTS – ONE-TIME SPECIAL

I ON THE HAWKS CHASE FOR A CHAMPIONSHIP | KGAN/KFXA
MICHAEL HOWELL, PRODUCER

INSIDE LOOK OF THE VIKINGS 2024 NFL DRAFT |
VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK
NATE VAUGHN, PRODUCER

THE CLARK EFFECT: IOWA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL | KCRG
CONRAD GREDELL, PRODUCER

TWINS SEASON IN REVIEW | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
KATELYNN HALTER, PRODUCER

LIVE SPORTING EVENT/GAME

MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP | KSTC
BRIAN MONAHAN, PRODUCER

PWHL OTTAWA VS MINNESOTA 3/5/2024 | RAYCOM SPORTS
JASON CLEMENS, DIRECTOR

LIVE SPORTING EVENT SEASON

MIDCO SPORTS – UND HOCKEY 2023-24 SEASON | MIDCO SPORTS
MARTY MUELLER, PRODUCER

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES 2023-24 | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
CRAIG M. ROTHBERG, PRODUCER

SPORTS OPEN/TEASE

ANKENY CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL: RESPECT ALL. FEAR NONE. | TRILIX
BRETT ADAMS, PRODUCER

ELEVATE | MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES
SHERIDAN WEST, PRODUCER

FEAR THE WILD – IN-ARENA OPEN | MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB
RYAN GAUSE, DIRECTOR

IOWA WOMAN'S BASKETBALL INTRO – THE BIG STAGE | IOWA ATHLETICS
DALTON CONRAD, PHOTOGRAPHER

MARC ANDRE FLEURY NIGHT – OPEN VIDEO | MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB
JOE BRUNETT, PRODUCER

MINNESOTA VIKINGS SHOWTIME | VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK
ARTHUR KUH, DIRECTOR

MILITARY – NEWS

DUSTY BOX OF MEDALS FOUND FROM VIETNAM WAR | WDAY
KEVIN WALLEVAND, REPORTER

FLAG OF HIS FATHER | KMSP
TIMOTHY BLOTZ, PRODUCER

INSIDE A NORTHERN MINNESOTA MILITARY OPERATIONS AREA | KBJR
DAN WOLFE, REPORTER

SPIELBERG, HANKS, & JIM | KARE
BOYD HUPPERT, PRODUCER

STRUGGLE TO STRUCTURE – KYLE ANDERSON | TOWN SQUARE TELEVISION
NICK ANDERSON, PHOTOGRAPHER

SURVIVING THE VIETNAM WAR | TOWN SQUARE TELEVISION
ASHLEY BOWES, EDITOR

MILITARY – SHORT OR LONG FORM CONTENT

BRIDGING GENERATIONS – HONOR FLIGHT FROM WWII TO KOREA & VIETNAM | **CLICK CONTENT STUDIOS**
EZRA VAN DEN EINDE, PRODUCER

FROZEN IN TIME: THE VIETNAM WAR | **PIONEER PBS**
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

HEALING PURPLE HEARTS | **PIONEER PBS**
DYLAN CURFMAN, GRAPHICS

NIGHT WINGS: OSS CARPETBAGGER OPS | **PIONEER PBS**
TYLER GASTECKI, PRODUCER

VIKINGS VETERAN'S VOYAGE | **VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK**
WILL SHEEDY, PRODUCER

WRITER – NEWS

LAND OF 10,000 STORIES | **KARE**
BOYD HUPPERT, WRITER

THE BARBIE BEAT | **KARE**
EVA ANDERSEN, WRITER

TIMOTHY BLOTZ COMPOSITE | **KMSP**
TIMOTHY BLOTZ, WRITER

WOLFE WRITES | **KARE**
MORGAN WOLFE, WRITER

WRITER – SHORT OR LONG FORM

CARL BEN EIELSON: OVER THE TOP OF THE WORLD |
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AEROSPACE NETWORK
DAVID KUZNICKI, WRITER

MINNESOTA HISTORIA: MINNESOTA IN THE CIVIL WAR | **PBS NORTH**
MIKE SCHOLTZ, WRITER

RELISH | **TWIN CITIES PBS**
AMY MELIN, WRITER

THE AVIATRIX | **UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AEROSPACE NETWORK**
DAVID KUZNICKI, WRITER

VIDEO ESSAYIST

BOB'S LAST DANCE AT CHUCKS | WOI
DON SCHMITH, VIDEO ESSAYIST

LAYING UNCLAIMED VETERANS TO REST | WOI
DON SCHMITH, VIDEO ESSAYIST

MAKING A SPLASH | NDC4
DENNIS RAFFTERY, VIDEO ESSAYIST

MIDCO SPORTS MAGAZINE – EQUIPPING FOR SUCCESS | MIDCO SPORTS
JOSH MUNCE, VIDEO ESSAYIST

SANFORD NICU VOLUNTEERS ROCKING & READING TO BABIES | KSFY/KDLT
DAVID HAUCK, VIDEO ESSAYIST

MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST – SINGLE SHIFT

A WILL & A WAY | KARE
HEIDI WIGDAHL, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

CHENUE HER MMJ | WOI
CHENUE HER, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

MMJ SPORTS FEATURES | WCCO
MARIELLE MOHS, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

TOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS | KARE
MORGAN WOLFE, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST – NO TIME LIMIT

A STORY TO TELL | KARE
HEIDI WIGDAHL, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

ASHLEY BOWES COMPOSITE | TOWN SQUARE TELEVISION
ASHLEY BOWES, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

CRAFTING CONNECTIONS | KARE
DAVID PETERLINZ, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

DENNIS RAFFTERY COMPOSITE | NDC4
DENNIS RAFFTERY, MULTIMEDIA JOURNALIST

SOLO STORYTELLER – SHORT OR LONG FORM

A FRIENDLY WAVE | **SWCTC**

DANIEL HUITING, SOLO STORYTELLER

JASON ANSCHUTZ COMPOSITE | **SANFORD HEALTH NEWS**

JASON ANSCHUTZ, SOLO STORYTELLER

MEDICINE CREEK FARM | **RON SCHARA PRODUCTIONS**

KYLE HEIDENREICH, SOLO STORYTELLER

ANCHOR – NEWS

ALEXIS ROGERS COMPOSITE | **KARE**

ALEXIS ROGERS, ANCHOR

JANA SHORTAL | **KARE**

JANA SHORTAL, ANCHOR

RASMUSSEN ON THE SET | **KSTP**

ERIC RASMUSSEN, ANCHOR

TIMOTHY BLOTZ COMPOSITE | **KMSP**

TIMOTHY BLOTZ, ANCHOR

ANCHOR – WEATHER

CHRIS REECE COMPOSITE | **KSTP**

CHRIS REECE, ANCHOR

JASON SYDEJKO COMPOSITE | **KCCI**

JASON SYDEJKO, WEATHER

MATT SERWE – COMPOSITE | **KSTP**

MATT SERWE, ANCHOR

OCTOBER BLIZZARD WEATHERCAST | **KFYR**

KEVIN LAWRENCE, ANCHOR

ZANE SATRE COMPOSITE | **KCCI**

ZANE SATRE, ANCHOR

ANCHOR – SPORTS

AHMAD HICKS COMPOSITE | KMSP
AHMAD HICKS, ANCHOR

AUDRA MARTIN COMPOSITE | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
AUDRA MARTIN, ANCHOR

JULIA DANIELS COMPOSITE | KARE
JULIA DANIELS, ANCHOR

KEITH MURPHY COMPOSITE | WHO
KEITH MURPHY, ANCHOR

REGGIE WILSON COMPOSITE | KARE
REGGIE WILSON, KARE

WILL HALL COMPOSITE | KARE
WILL HALL, ANCHOR

REPORTER

GABE'S DAD REPORTS | KARE
A.J. LAGOE, REPORTER

GORDON SEVERSON COMPOSITE | KARE
GORDON SEVERSON, REPORTER

JENNIFER MAYERLE REPORTS | WCCO
JENNIFER MAYERLE, REPORTER

LOU NEWSMAN | KARE
LOU RAGUSE, REPORTER

RASMUSSEN REPORTS | KSTP
ERIC RASMUSSEN, REPORTER

PROGRAM HOST/MODERATOR

BROOKE KOHLSDORF: ROAD TRIP IOWA | IOWA PBS
BROOKE KOHLSDORF, HOST

MARY LAHAMMER HOST | TWIN CITIES PBS
MARY LAHAMMER, HOST

SHERCK 2023 | RON SCHARA PRODUCTION
BILL SHERCK, TALENT

STEPHANIE HANSEN TASTE BUDS COMPOSITE | KMSP
STEPHANIE HANSEN, HOST

SPORTS PLAY-BY-PLAY

DAVID BROWN COMPOSITE | MIDCO SPORTS
DAVID BROWN, SPORTS PLAY-BY-PLAY

JAY ELSÉN COMPOSITE | MIDCO SPORTS
JAY ELSÉN, SPORTS PLAY-BY-PLAY

MICHAEL GRADY COMPOSITE | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
MICHAEL GRADY, SPORTS PLAY-BY-PLAY

SPORTS ANALYST

JIM PETERSEN COMPOSITE | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
JIM PETERSEN, TALENT

REBEKKAH LAMAR BRUNSON COMPOSITE | BALLY SPORTS NORTH
REBEKKAH BRUNSON, TALENT

JOURNALISTIC ENTERPRISE

LOU RAGUSE THE ENTERPRISING NEWSMAN | KARE
LOU RAGUSE

RASMUSSEN = RESULTS | KSTP
ERIC RASMUSSEN, PRODUCER

[UN]SOLVED: THE MYSTERY OF THE BABIES IN THE WATER | KARE
LOU RAGUSE, HOST

CONTINUING COVERAGE

BURNSVILLE SHOOTING | KARE
STACEY NOGY, PRODUCER

OFF THE RAILS | KSTP
RYAN RAICHE, REPORTER

SPENCER'S GIFT | KELO
KEVIN KJERGAARD, PHOTOGRAPHER

SUMMER OF SMOKE | WCCO
JONAH KAPLAN, REPORTER

NEWS SPECIAL

COST OF GUNFIRE | WCCO
JENNIFER MAYERLE, PRODUCER

FINDING MADELINE | KTTC
OLIVIA PRONDZINSKI, PRODUCER

PATTERN AND PRACTICE | KSTP
ERIC RASMUSSEN, PRODUCER

REMEMBERING JAKE WALLIN | WDAY
KERSTIN KEALY, ANCHOR

PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM

AT ISSUE WITH TOM HAUSER | KSTP
TOM HAUSER, PRODUCER

FENTANYL CRISIS | WCCO
JENNIFER MAYERLE, REPORTER

FIGHTING FOREVER CHEMICALS | PIONEER PBS
DYLAN CURFMAN, EDITOR

**SOUTH DAKOTA FOCUS: STORIES FROM FOSTER CARE | SOUTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC BROADCASTING**
KRYSTAL SCHOENBAUER, PRODUCER

SPECIAL EVENT COVERAGE

BLACK ENTREPRENEURS DAY AT THE MINNESOTA STATE CAPITOL |
SHELETTAMAKESMELAUGH.COM
SHELETTA BRUNDIDGE, PRODUCER

DAKOTA COUNTY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE | NDC 4
DENNIS RAFFTERY, EDITOR

GOVERNOR'S FIRE PREVENTION DAY | TOWN SQUARE TELEVISION
NICK ANDERSON, PRODUCER

**KS95'S 11TH ANNUAL CLOUDS CHOIR FOR A CAUSE 2023 | ATOMIC K RECORDS
& PRODUCTIONS**
KARL DEMER, PRODUCER

MADISON'S LUTEFISK EATING CONTEST | PIONEER PBS
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

NEWSCAST – EVENING (MARKETS 121+)

FIRE DESTROYS HISTORIC LUTSEN LODGE | KBJR
DAN WOLFE, ANCHOR

KIMT NEWS 3 COVERS HOT AIR BALLOON CRASH | KIMT
DESTINEE MARKING, PRODUCER

NEWS 4 AT 10 – NEBRASKA AND IOWA TORNADOES | KTIV
BRANDON IRVINE, PRODUCER

WDIO NEWS AT TEN: DULUTH MAYORAL ELECTION NIGHT | WDIO
ALEXANDRA BUIE, PRODUCER

WQOW REPORT: INVESTIGATION INTO CHIPPEWA COUNTY SHERIFF | WQOW
KRISTEN SHILL, PRODUCER

NEWSCAST – EVENING (MARKETS 76-120)

COMMUNITY HONORS OFFICER JAKE WALLIN | **WDAY**
DANA MOGCK, ANCHOR

HONORING FALLEN OFFICER JAKE WALLIN | **KVLY**
RENEE NYGREN, PRODUCER

WDAY LIVE FROM NATIONAL POLICE WEEK IN WASHINGTON, D.C. | **WDAY**
KERSTIN KEALY, ANCHOR

WRAPPING 7 HOURS OF BREAKING NEWS | **KVLY**
RENEE NYGREN, PRODUCER

NEWSCAST – EVENING (MARKETS 1-75)

A FINAL FAREWELL | **WCCO**
LEAH HENRY, PRODUCER

FIRST RESPONDERS KILLED | **WCCO**
LARRY BROWN, PRODUCER

FOX 9 NEWS AT 6 – FALLEN HEROES FAREWELL | **KMSP**
AMBER MEYER, PRODUCER

KARE 11 NEWS AT 10 | **KARE**
JENNIFER GRIFFIN, PRODUCER

KCCI 8 NEWS AT 5:00 JANUARY 4, 2024 | **KCCI**
TISA TOLLENAAR, PRODUCER

DOCUMENTARY – CULTURAL

ANAHITA – A MOTHER’S JOURNEY | **BELLTOWER PICTURES**
MARTIN MONTGOMERY, PRODUCER

SHIFT: THE RAGBRAI DOCUMENTARY | **DES MOINES REGISTER**
COURTNEY CROWDER, DIRECTOR

THE ELECTRIC INDIAN | **TWIN CITIES PBS**
LEYA HALE, DIRECTOR

DOCUMENTARY – HISTORICAL

BADGER CLARK, POET AMONG THE PINES | 1856 PRODUCTIONS
BRAD DUMKE, PRODUCER

EIGHT WOMEN TOGETHER ALONE | PIONEER PBS
DANA CONROY, PRODUCER

JESSE VENTURA SHOCKS THE WORLD | TWIN CITIES PBS
KEVIN DRAGSETH, PRODUCER

REFUGEES WELCOME | VERY LOCAL
LAURA LING, PRODUCER

DOCUMENTARY – TOPICAL

A SEA CHANGE FOR SUPERIOR | PBS NORTH
STEVEN ASH, PHOTOGRAPHER

BROKEN PROMISES | KARE
A.J. LAGOE, PRODUCER

CITIZEN DIPLOMACY | IOWA PBS
DAVID MILLER, PRODUCER

DREAM.STATE. WARROAD | MINNESOTA WILD HOCKEY CLUB
MATT HUSSEY, PRODUCER

PROFE | TWIN CITIES PBS
SERGIO RAPU, PRODUCER

COMMUNITY SERVICE

**BLACK ENTREPRENEURS DAY AT THE MINNESOTA STATE CAPITOL |
SHELETTAMAKESMELAUGH.COM**
SHELETTA BRUNDIDGE, EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

COVID CONFESSIONS: FOOD SYSTEMS | FISCHR MEDIA
ALEC FISCHER, PRODUCER

KARE 11 COMMUNITY | KARE
ALEXIS ROGERS, EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

MOCK CAR CRASH 2024 – SHORT FILM – FOREST LAKE MN | LAKES AREA TV
PAUL PETERSON, PRODUCER

SPORTS EXCELLENCE

MIDCO SPORTS | MIDCO SPORTS
CRAIG DEWIT, GENERAL MANAGER

VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK | VIKINGS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK
BRYAN HARPER, EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

NEWS EXCELLENCE

5 EYEWITNESS NEWS – A YEAR OF NEWS EXCELLENCE | KSTP
KIRK VARNER, NEWS DIRECTOR

DAKOTA NEWS NOW | KSFY/KDLT
KEVIN KING, NEWS DIRECTOR

KARE 11 NEWS | KARE
STACEY NOGY, NEWS DIRECTOR

KCCI 8 NEWS | KCCI
ALLISON SMITH, NEWS DIRECTOR

KMSP FOX 9 | KMSP
KELLY HUFFMAN, NEWS DIRECTOR

WDAY-TV NEWS | WDAY
JEFF NELSON, NEWS DIRECTOR

OVERALL EXCELLENCE

KARE 11 | KARE
DOUG WIEDER, GENERAL MANAGER

KCCI – IOWA'S NEWS LEADER | KCCI
BRIAN SATHER, GENERAL MANAGER

KMSP FOX 9 | KMSP
MARIAN KESSLER, GENERAL MANAGER

THANK YOU!

The Upper Midwest Emmy® Chapter Awards Committee would like to thank our colleagues across the region who helped judge our 2022 Student Production Award entries, as well as Regional Emmy® entries from Central Great Lakes, Ohio Valley, Mid-Atlantic, New York, Southeast, and Suncoast NATAS Chapters. We sincerely appreciate the time and dedication these volunteers gave our chapter to maintain the judging “Standard of Excellence” which is vital to the integrity of the awards.

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Do Your Part, Become A Judge!

As you enjoy an evening celebrating the work of your friends and colleagues, keep in mind there is one way to show your support – become a judge!

The REGIONAL EMMY® Awards program counts on professionals like you to serve as judges. This year's entries were reviewed by colleagues from NATAS Chapters across the country. In return, many Upper Midwest Chapter members do their part each year and judge entries from other chapters. But we can always use more judges. Remember, when you submit an entry, you agree to serve as a judge when asked... it's part of our rules!

What does it take to become a judge?

All judges must have at least two years of hands-on experience in television/video production, programming, or other related media. A judge should also only evaluate entries where they have experience. For example, a reporter could easily evaluate the work of other reporters. But they likely would not have much experience with promotional image campaigns, and therefore shouldn't sign up to evaluate those categories.

Virtually anyone in the television newsrooms, production departments, creative services can be a judge. But you don't have to work at a television station to help. For example, many former media pros will sign up to judge entries. We're always on the lookout for professionals in related fields who have video production experience. That includes those who work in advertising agencies, video production companies, or even organizations with video production departments. Print journalists who have hands-on video experience also make great judges!

Tonight, is a chance to honor a year of amazing work across our region. But tomorrow there will be another Chapter preparing for their gala, with entries that need to be evaluated. Can we count on you to help? I hope you'll consider giving your time to give back to an organization we all care about.

Where can a family like mine turn?

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