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APA Media Awards Magazine Contest Winners Announced

Birmingham, AL (June 26, 2021) – Winners of the 2021 Alabama Press Association Media Awards were announced by Dee Ann Campbell, chairman of the AMA Contest Committee. This year, 19 publications submitted 298 entries in the annual contest. The South Carolina Press Association membership judged the entries.

First place awards in many categories and divisions were presented in conjunction with the 2021 APA Summer Convention banquet awards program.

Congratulations to all of the winners!

Cat. 01 Magazine of the Year

- 1st Place: Jackson Monthly
2nd Place: Tuscaloosa magazine
3rd Place: Lake Magazine

Cat. 02 Best Single Feature Story

- 1st Place: Mountain Brook Magazine for *"In sickness and in health"* by Madoline Markham, Mary Fehr
2nd Place: Tuscaloosa magazine for *"My neighbor's keeper"* by Edwin Stanton, Gary Cosby Jr., Ron Dulek
3rd Place: LiveLee (Opelika) for *"2nd Chance"* by Will Crews, Hannah Lester

Cat. 03 Best Personality Profile

- 1st Place: Homewood Life Magazine for *"The Jesus Man"* by Melanie Peeples, C.W. Newell
2nd Place: DeKalb Living for *"The Long and Winding Path"* by Steven Stiefel
3rd Place: LiveLee (Opelika) for *"Dr. Joanne Smith T"* by Ann Clipperly

Cat. 04 Best Business Feature

- 1st Place: Jackson Monthly for *"The Art of Collecting"* by Annabelle Parrish, Amber Huston
2nd Place: Lake Magazine for *"Below the Rock"* by Betsy Iler, Kenneth Boone
3rd Place: LiveLee (Opelika) for *"Twice Baked"* by Will Crews, Hannah Lester

Cat. 05 Best Photo Essay

- 1st Place: Homewood Life Magazine for *"Alabama the Beautiful"* by Stuart Franco, Madoline Markham
2nd Place: Lake Martin Living for *"Poultry Pets"* by Katy Shelton, Audra Spears
3rd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for *"At Last Light"* by Stephen Stair, Madoline Markham

Cat. 06 Best Single Photo

- 1st Place: Jackson Monthly for *"Church Under Starlight"*
2nd Place: Lake Martin Living for *"Guards at the Gate"*
3rd Place: LiveLee (Opelika) for *"Class of 2020"*

Cat. 07 Best Individual Website

- 1st Place: Birmingham Parent for birminghamparent.com
2nd Place: Homewood Life Magazine for homewoodlife.com
3rd Place: Mountain Brook Magazine for mountainbrookmagazine.com

Cat. 08 Best Single Ad

- 1st Place: Jackson Monthly for *"EDM Beauty"*
2nd Place: Jackson Monthly for *"Beatrice at The Glover"*
3rd Place: Shelby Living for *"Rinehart Agency"*

Cat. 09 Best Ad Campaign or Series

- 1st Place: Shelby Living for *"LaPaz"*
2nd Place: Hoover's Magazine for *"Freedom Soap"*
3rd Place: Peach Living (Clanton) for *"Debra Hubbard"*

Cat. 10 Best House Ad or Self-Promotion

- 1st Place: Birmingham Parent for *"2021 Family Favorites Awards"*
2nd Place: Peach Living (Clanton) for *"Real Estate "*
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly for *"12 Issues a Year"*

Cat. 11 Best Overall Design

- 1st Place: Tuscaloosa magazine
2nd Place: Jackson Monthly
3rd Place: Lake Martin Living

Cat. 12 Best Cover Photo or Illustration

- 1st Place: Lake Martin Living for *"Annual Art and Photography Contest"*
2nd Place: Mountain Brook Magazine for *"Pie Chef"*
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly for *"Tigers for Tomorrow"*

Cat. 13 Best Themed Issue

- 1st Place: DeKalb Living for *"Bridal"*
2nd Place: Lake Magazine for *"Builders and Buyers"*
3rd Place: Mountain Brook Magazine for *"2020 Weddings"*

Cat. 14 Best Travel Feature

- 1st Place: Lake Magazine for *"Lake Martin boat mechanic climbs El Capitan"*
2nd Place: The Messenger for *"Bennett Farms"*
3rd Place: Lake Magazine for *"The Origin of Pirate Island"*

Cat. 15 Best Culinary Feature

- 1st Place: Jackson Monthly for *"Ole Gin"*
2nd Place: LiveLee (Opelika) for *"Twice Baked"*
3rd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for *"Dread River Distilling Co."*

Cat. 16 Best Column

- 1st Place: Tuscaloosa magazine for *"Home"* by Becky Hopf
2nd Place: Lake Magazine for *"Big Catches"* by Greg Vinson
3rd Place: LiveLee (Opelika) for *"To the Graduating Class of 2020"* by Michelle Key