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APA Media Awards Magazine Contest Select Category Winners Announced

Birmingham, AL (June 26, 2022) – Winners in select categories of the 2022 Alabama Press Association Media Awards have been announced by Dee Ann Campbell, chairman of the AMA Contest Committee. This year, 16 publications submitted 250 entries in the annual magazine contest. The Illinois Press Association membership judged the entries.

First place awards in select (to be announced) categories and divisions were recognized at the 2022 APA Summer Convention banquet awards program.

Congratulations to all of the winners!

Cat. 02 Best Single Feature Story

- 1st Place: Tuscaloosa magazine for *"Let's Hear it for the Good Boy"* by Edwin Stanton
2nd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for *"A Mission in High Gear"* by Madoline Markham
3rd Place: Tuscaloosa magazine for *"Restoring Soles"* by Becky Hopf

Cat. 03 Best Personality Profile

- 1st Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for *"A Family Man"* by Madoline Markham, Blair Ramsey
2nd Place: Homewood Life Magazine for *"Everyone's Favorite Mailman"* by Melanie Peebles, Kathryn Bell
3rd Place: DeKalb Living for *"Lord, let me watch my children grow"* by Bonnie Walters

Cat. 04 Best Business Feature

- 1st Place: Hoover's magazine for *"A Clean Start"* by Amy Ferguson
2nd Place: DeKalb Living for *"Grumpy Ole Goat"* by Cinthia Rico
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly for *"If these walls could talk"* by Hunter Jones, Amber Huston, Elizabeth Law

Cat. 05 Best Photo Essay

- 1st Place: Shelby County Living for *"Running Free"* by Denise George, Madoline Markham
2nd Place: Shelby County Living for *"In the Dark"* by Klint Rhodes, Madoline Markham
3rd Place: Lake Magazine for *"Clay Humphries"* by Clay Humphries, Audra Spears

Cat. 06 Best Single Photograph

- 1st Place: Tuscaloosa magazine for *"Chimes Against Nature"* by Gary Cosby Jr.
2nd Place: LIVE Lee (Opelika) for *"A Hidden Beauty"* by Krisan Hood
3rd Place: Lake Magazine for *"Whoa - Kane Ward"* by Kenneth Boone

Cat. 07 Best Individual Website

- 1st Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for www.vestaviahillsmagazine.com by staff
2nd Place: LIVE Lee (Opelika) for www.liveleemagazine.com by Hannah Lester
3rd Place: Lake Magazine for www.lakemagazine.life by Audra Spears, Angela Mullins

Cat. 08 Best Single Ad

- 1st Place: Jackson Monthly for *"Burns Bluff"* by Elizabeth Law
2nd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for *"Collective & Co."* by staff
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly for *"Cutie Petooties"* by Elizabeth Law

Cat. 09 Best Advertising Campaign or Series

- 1st Place: LIVE Lee (Opelika) for *"Glynn Smith"* by Michelle Key
2nd Place: DeKalb Living for *"Hometown Banking Wherever You Are"* by Linda Stiefel, Emily Wooten

Cat. 10 Best House Ad or Self-Promotion

- 1st Place: Peach Living (Clanton) for *"Real Estate House Ad"* by Zack Bates
2nd Place: DeKalb Living for *"Model Call"* by Steven Stiefel, Emily Wooten
3rd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for *"Subscribe Now"* by staff

Cat. 11 Best Overall Design

- 1st Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine
2nd Place: Lake Magazine by Audra Spears, Kenneth Boone
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly by Elizabeth Law

Cat. 12 Best Cover Photo or Illustration

- 1st Place: LIVE Lee (Opelika) for "*Health and Wellness issue*" by Hannah Lester
2nd Place: Lake Magazine for "*June issue*" by Kenneth Boone
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly for "*The Wedding issue*" by Ashley Colon, Elizabeth Law

Cat. 13 Best Themed Issue

- 1st Place: Hartselle Living for "*Bridal 2021*" by staff
2nd Place: Lake Martin Living for "*Art & Photography Contest Issue*" by Kenneth Boone, Audra Spears, Brittany Smith
3rd Place: DeKalb Living for "*Trick or Treat issue*" by staff

Cat. 14 Best Travel Feature

- 1st Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for "*Rediscover Gatlinburg*" by Christiana Roussel
2nd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for "*The Great Carolina Outdoors*" by Christiana Roussel
3rd Place: LIVE Lee (Opelika) for "*Go Climb A Tree*" by Hannah Lester

Cat. 15 Best Culinary Feature

- 1st Place: Lake Martin Living for "*Shop like a Chef*" by Brittany Smith, Audra Spears
2nd Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine for "*Cookie Cheer*" by Sara Guven, Karen Askins
3rd Place: Jackson Monthly for "*Food for the Soul*" by Danielle W. Kirkland, Amber Huston, Elizabeth Law

Cat. 16 Best Column

- 1st Place: Lake Martin Living for "*Look out boys...the girls are coming*" by Dave Jennings
2nd Place: Lake Martin Living for "*Winter Feeding*" by Shane Harris, Martha Tucker, Audra Spears
3rd Place: Lake Magazine for "*The Indian is still crying*" by John Thompson

Magazine of the Year

- 1st Place: Vestavia Hills Magazine
2nd Place: Jackson Monthly
3rd Place: Lake Magazine