Honoring 2009's best in newspapers, alt-weeklies, magazines, online, television and radio 2010
**GENERAL EXCELLENCE**

1ST PLACE: Staff, Montana Quarterly
2ND PLACE: Staff, Seattle Metropolitan
3RD PLACE: Leslie Helm, Chris Winters, Seattle Business

**MAGAZINE DEPARTMENTS**

1ST PLACE: James Ross Gardner, Seattle Metropolitan
Mudroom
2ND PLACE: Kathryn Robinson, Seattle Metropolitan
Back Fence
3RD PLACE: Staff, Alaska Airlines Magazine
Journal

**TRAVEL REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Kathryn Robinson, Seattle Metropolitan
You Know, For Kids
2ND PLACE: Eric Lucas, Alaska Airlines Magazine
Anchorage Bound
3RD PLACE: Nick Jans, Alaska Airlines Magazine
Island Adventures

**LEISURE AND LIFESTYLE REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Jessica Voelker, James Ross Gardner, Christopher Werner, Metropolitan
The Smart Drinker's Guide to Seattle
2ND PLACE: Staff, Seattle Metropolitan
Sweet Science
3RD PLACE: Staff, Metropolitan
13 Burgers That Will Change Your Life

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

1ST PLACE: Jim Gullo, Horizon Air Magazine
The Puppet Master
2ND PLACE: Matthew Halverson, Seattle Metropolitan
The Movie Seattle Saved

**HUMOROUS WRITING**

1ST PLACE: Dana Neuts
The Other Woman
2ND PLACE: Chris Winters, Seattle Business
Final Analysis: The MBA Final Exam (Revised)
3RD PLACE: David Volk
Journey: No Dog Left Behind

**BUSINESS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Bryan Corliss, Seattle Business
Boeing Boeing... Gone
2ND PLACE: Cynthia Nims, Horizon Air Magazine
Our Cup of Tea
3RD PLACE: Eric Scigliano, Seattle Metropolitan
Indecent Appraisal

**SPORTS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Chuck Luce, Arches
Ahead of the game
2ND PLACE: Josh Whitling, South Sound Magazine
Ladies on Skates

**EDITORIAL AND COMMENTARY**

1ST PLACE: Marianne Scholl, Seattle Woman Magazine
Even After All These Years
2ND PLACE: Heija Nunn
Voice: On Medina's New Surveillance Cameras

**COLUMNS AND ESSAYS**

1ST PLACE: Knute Berger, Seattle Magazine
Six Things You Can't Say in Seattle
2ND PLACE: Knute Berger, Seattle Magazine
Seattle Mayor: a Dead-end Job
3RD PLACE: Nancy O'Connell, Leo Garibaldi, Horizon Air Magazine
Dude, Mom-Let's Roll
**HEADLINES**

1ST PLACE: Staff, Seattle Woman Magazine
2ND PLACE: Staff, Alaska Airlines Magazine
3RD PLACE: Staff, 425 Magazine

**GENERAL NEWS/FEATURE REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: James Ross Gardner, Seattle Metropolitan
   Heist
2ND PLACE: Eric Lucas, Alaska Airlines Magazine
   World Heritage Sites
3RD PLACE: Eric Scigliano, Seattle Metropolitan
   5 Days in Seattle That Shook the World

**COVER DESIGN**

1ST PLACE: Staff, South Sound Magazine
2ND PLACE: Benjamen Purvis, Seattle Metropolitan

**FEATURE DESIGN**

1ST PLACE: Melissa Robinson, Benjamen Purvis Seattle Metropolitan
   Adult Education 101
2ND PLACE: Benjamen Purvis, Seattle Metropolitan
   Meltdown Survival Handbook
3RD PLACE: Melissa Robinson, Seattle Metropolitan
   Sweet Science

**SPREAD DESIGN**

1ST PLACE: Benjamen Purvis, Seattle Metropolitan
   Heist
2ND PLACE: Benjamen Purvis, Seattle Metropolitan
   5 Days in Seattle That Shook the World
3RD PLACE: Melissa Robinson, Seattle Metropolitan
   Premier Crew

**CARTOONS AND ILLUSTRATIONS**

1ST PLACE: Jon Marmor, Eric McHenry, Sue Brockmann, Paul Rucker, Ken Shafer, Columns Magazine
   Sneaker Swim
2ND PLACE: Dennis Wunsch, Scotsman Guide (comm.)
   Let’s Get Physical
3RD PLACE: Dennis Wunsch, Scotsman Guide (comm.)
   When Green Isn’t What It Seems

**SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHY**

1ST PLACE: Horizon Air Magazine
   Boise Day and Night
2ND PLACE: Tom Hauck/Getty Images, Alaska Airlines Magazine
   Pac-10 Primer

**FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY**

1ST PLACE: John Keatley, Seattle Metropolitan
   Atmospheric Disturbances
2ND PLACE: Lindsay Borden, Seattle Metropolitan
   10 Best Restaurants 2009
3RD PLACE:
   Angie Norwood Browne, Seattle Metropolitan
   Sweet Science

**PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHY**

1ST PLACE: Jose Mandojana, Seattle Metropolitan
   Worried Man: Paul Giamatti
2ND PLACE: John Keatley, Seattle Metropolitan
   Annie Leibovitz

**PHOTO ESSAY OR PAGES**

1ST PLACE: Kristin Giordano, Bond Huberman, Emily Busey, City Arts
   Far From Home: A Tacoma Photographer in Modern-Day Qatar
2ND PLACE: Nancy O’Connell, Horizon Air Magazine
   Showcase 2009
PORTFOLIO PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: John Keatley, Seattle Metropolitan
2ND PLACE: Ingrid Pape-Sheldon, Seattle Woman Magazine

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Matthew Halverson, Seattle Metropolitan
Fine. Call Me a Dictator
2ND PLACE: Matthew Halverson, Seattle Metropolitan
He Did It His Way

CONSUMER REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Jane Hodges, Horizon Air Magazine
Learning How to Fund Your Graduate-School Education
2ND PLACE: Matthew Halverson, Seattle Metropolitan
Home Tweet Home
3RD PLACE: Matthew Halverson, Seattle Metropolitan
Buy? Sell? Or Hold on for Dear Life?

SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS
1ST PLACE: Eric Scigliano, Seattle Metropolitan
2ND PLACE: David Laskin, Seattle Metropolitan
Atmospheric Disturbances
3RD PLACE: Tara Hayes Constant, Seattle Woman Magazine
UW’s Nurse Scientists

SOCIAL ISSUES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Eric Scigliano, Seattle Metropolitan
Gangland
2ND PLACE: Scott Driscoll, Horizon Air Magazine
Nature and Nurture
THIRD PLACE: Lia Steakley Dicker, Seattle Metropolitan
The Tribe That Would Not Die

MINORITIES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Eric Scigliano, Seattle Metropolitan
Coming to America
2ND PLACE: Lia Steakley, Seattle Metropolitan
The Tribe That Would Not Die

PERSONALITIES
1ST PLACE: Mike Ullmann, Seattle Business
The Man Who Saved Washington Wine
2ND PLACE: Tera Schreiber, Seattle Woman Magazine
Decorating Her: Women Tattoo Artists in Seattle
3RD PLACE: Karen Rathe, Seattle Woman Magazine
Eyes on the Prize

PERSONAL SERVICE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Wenda Reed, Seattle Woman Magazine
IBS Series
2ND PLACE: Matthew Halverson, Laura Cassidy, Jessica Voelker, Seattle Metropolitan
Meltdown Survival Handbook
3RD PLACE: Wenda Reed, Seattle Woman Magazine
Weighing in on Genetic Testing
GENERAL EXCELLENCE
1ST PLACE: Staff, Issaquah Press
2ND PLACE: Staff, Puget Sound Business Journal
3RD PLACE: Staff, Sammamish Review

PERSONALITIES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Terry McGuire, Catholic Northwest Progress
Three powerful words: ‘I forgive you’
2ND PLACE: Rosette Royale, Real Change Newspapers
A fast for peace, recounted in number and deed
3RD PLACE: Lauren Thompson, Enterprise Newspapers
Road warrior

LIFESTYLES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Kevin Birnbaum, Catholic Northwest Progress
The church in the Information Age
2ND PLACE: Lorie Palmer, Idaho County Free Press
Students enjoy farm tour
3RD PLACE: P: Jill Russell, Tacoma Weekly
“Muralist brings family’s ‘Green Monster’ to life”

ARTS REPORTING AND CRITICISM
1ST PLACE: Cydney Gillis, Real Change Newspapers
“Pike Place Market artists losing designated lofts”
2ND PLACE: David Hayes, Issaquah Press
Metal Man

SPORTS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Michael Dashiell, Sequim Gazette
Concussions hit home with Sequim family
2ND PLACE: Megan Managan, Mercer Island Reporter
Paddles Up: Locals showcase paddle surfing this weekend
3RD PLACE: Dustin Toms, The Easterner
Eastern’s field to bleed red

EDITORIAL AND COMMENTARY
1ST PLACE: Ari Cetron, Sammamish Review
2ND PLACE: Warren Kagarise, Issaquah Press

COLUMN WRITING
1ST PLACE: Frances Wood
2ND PLACE: Roger Harnack, The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
3RD PLACE: Tom Scanlon, North Coast News

PAGE DESIGN
1ST PLACE: Jenny O’Brien, Dan Schlatter, Steve Goldsmith, Puget Sound Business Journal
2ND PLACE: Robert Kelton, The Towhee
3RD PLACE: Sarah Burk, Liberty Lake Splash

HEADLINES
1ST PLACE: Steve Goldsmith, Puget Sound Business Journal

NEWS PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: Damian Mulinix/Staff Photojournalist, The Chinook Observer
Accused murderer arraigned
2ND PLACE: Nicole Davis, The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
Lightning Strikes Again
3RD PLACE: Al Camp, The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
Blaze destroys home near Omak
FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: Brady Minow Smith, The Boulder Monitor
Bucking Horse Sale photo

2ND PLACE: Chris Goodenow, Enterprise Newspapers
Playing in puddles isn’t just for kids anymore

3RD PLACE: Chris Goodenow, Enterprise Newspapers
Ruling in the pool: One armed U.S.-record holder swims with her whole heart

GENERAL NEWS COVERAGE
1ST PLACE: Kirsten Grind, Alwyn Scott, Puget Sound Business Journal
WaMu’s Final Days

2ND PLACE: Les Bowen, Lake Chelan Mirror
Records detail ongoing payments to CEO at Lake Chelan Community Hospital

3RD PLACE: Lindsay Larin, Joshua Adam Hicks, Bellevue Reporter
‘I can’t believe he didn’t kill ME’: Eastside woman had dinner with killer the night he murdered his girlfriend

SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: Al Camp, The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle
Omak goes down fighting

2ND PLACE: Greg Farrar, Issaquah Press
Baton Handoff_track

3RD PLACE: Chad Coleman, Bellevue Reporter
Pride of Katy, Texas

PHOTO PORTFOLIO
1ST PLACE: Damian Mulinix/Staff Photojournalist, The Chinook Observer

2ND PLACE: Al Camp, The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle

3RD PLACE: Chad Coleman, Bellevue Reporter

SPOT NEWS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: J.B. Wogan, Sammamish Review
City rescues wily coyotes

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Matt Phelps, Carrie Wood, Kirkland Reporter
REPORTER EXCLUSIVE: Council candidate Martin Morgan has criminal record, owes city $20,000

2ND PLACE: Sue Ellen White, The Whidbey Examiner
Hospital CEO search kept under wraps

3RD PLACE: Warren Kagarise, Issaquah Press
Candidates turn to Facebook, Twitter to connect

EDUCATION REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Cydney Gillis, Real Change Newspapers
Parents call changes at Seattle’s Indian Heritage School a whitewash

2ND PLACE: Laura Geggel, SnoValley Star
Students happily return to boomerang lessons

HEALTH REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Erik Hansen, South Seattle Beacon
Getting to the root of America’s obesity epidemic

2ND PLACE: Cathy Herholdt, Journal Newspapers
Helping Hands: Local family opens their hearts, home â€” and arms â€” so Ethiopian boy can receive his own

3RD PLACE: Lorie Palmer, Idaho County Free Press
Family works through autism diagnosis

ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Chris Huber, Sammamish Review
Frogs versus Toads

2ND PLACE: Tammy Kimberley, Liberty Lake Splash
Phosphorus detergent ban turns 1

3RD PLACE: Harris Meyer
Puget Sound Business Journal: Clean tech – Eastern Washington abounds ...
BUSINESS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Kirsten Grind, Jeanne Lang Jones, Puget Sound Business Journal
Foreclosed: A week inside the crisis in King County
2ND PLACE: Greg Lamm, Puget Sound Business Journal
Shooting for Glory - Seattle University
3RD PLACE: Isaac Bonnell, Bellingham Business Journal
Alcoa suspends power deal as aluminum drops

SOCIAL ISSUES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Cydney Gillis, Real Change Newspapers
Affordable Rentals takes $250 from homeless couple
2ND PLACE: Terry McGuire, Catholic Northwest Progress
Crackdown on undocumented immigrants ‘ripping families apart’
3RD PLACE: J.B. Wogan, Sammamish Review
Affordable housing series
**GENERAL EXCELLENCE**

**1ST PLACE:** Staff, The Times-News

**2ND PLACE:** Staff, Bozeman Daily Chronicle

**3RD PLACE:** Fairbanks Daily News-Miner

**BUSINESS REPORTING**

**1ST PLACE:** Amanda Ricker, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*Family for hire*

**2ND PLACE:** Mike Johnston, Daily Record
*Stop the presses*

**3RD PLACE:** Steven Friederich, The Daily World
*Commercializing Kurt*

**SOCIAL ISSUES REPORTING**

**1ST PLACE:** Jodi Hausen, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*Preventing the final decision*

**2ND PLACE:** Tony Lystra, The Daily News
*Anything for Sative (three-day series)*

**3RD PLACE:** Staff, The Daily Astorian
*Hispanic Series (Four parts)*

**PERSONALITIES REPORTING**

**1ST PLACE:** Amy M.E. Fischer, The Daily News
*The Kalama Connection*

**2ND PLACE:** Rachel Hergett, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*The Bird Man of Bozeman*

**3RD PLACE:** Tony Lystra, The Daily News
*Locke the lie*

**LIFESTYLES REPORTING**

**1ST PLACE:** Ben Pierce, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*Jefferson River Float*

**2ND PLACE:** Vince Richardson, Skagit Valley Herald
*Steelhead Fever*

**3RD PLACE:** Zach Urness, Grants Pass Daily Courier
*Devils Punchbowl*

**SHORT FEATURE STORY**

**1ST PLACE:** Alfred Diaz, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
*Powwow shares tribe’s traditions, dances*

**2ND PLACE:** Jessica Musicar, The World
*Losing Stevie*

**3RD PLACE:** Rachel Thomson, The Daily World
*Haunted Harbor?*

**LONG FEATURE STORY**

**1ST PLACE:** Glenn BurnSilver, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner
*Polar bears*

**2ND PLACE:** Jennifer Moody, Albany Democrat-Herald
*Long-lost love*

**3RD PLACE:** Daniel Person, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*Hebgen earthquake: 50 years on*

**ARTS REPORTING**

**1ST PLACE:** Ralph Schwartz, Skagit Valley Herald
*Whimsey Writ Large*

**2ND PLACE:** Tony Lystra, The Daily News
*Freakiest show on Earth*

**3RD PLACE:** Nancy Raskauskas, Theresa, Novak, Scobel Wiggins, Corvallis Gazette-Times
*Homegrown Books*

**SPORTS REPORTING**

**1ST PLACE:** Gidal Kaiser, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*Hawk girls denied another Class AA title*

**2ND PLACE:** Rick Alvord, The Daily News
*Comeback kids*

**3RD PLACE:** Danny Martin, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner
*The firing of a hockey coach*

**SPORTS FEATURE STORY**

**1ST PLACE:** Will C. Holden, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*The 50-pound club*

**2ND PLACE:** Rick Alvord, The Daily News
*Answering the buzzer*

**3RD PLACE:** Tim Dumas, Bozeman Daily Chronicle
*Great Dane*
**COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE**

**1ST PLACE:** Jodi Hausen, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Comprehensive coverage of mental health issues in Gallatin County and the surrounding areas

**2ND PLACE:** Staff, Independent Record  
Continuum of Care

**3RD PLACE:** Staff, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner  
Yukon River flooding

**SPORTS COLUMN**

**1ST PLACE:** Will C. Holden, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Comprehensive coverage of mental health issues in Gallatin County and the surrounding areas

**2ND PLACE:** Rick Anderson, The Daily World  
Continuum of Care

**3RD PLACE:** Bradley Guire, The Times-News  
Continuum of Care

**EDITORIAL AND COMMENTARY**

**1ST PLACE:** John Doran, Independent Record  
State of Montana issues

**2ND PLACE:** Don Jenkins, The Daily News  
Bill seeks to shine light on spending by lobbyists etc.

**3RD PLACE:** Rod Boyce, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner

**COLUMN WRITING**

**1ST PLACE:** Brian Mittge, The Chronicle  
*When Stuck Up a Creek, We Depend on One Another: A Valentine’s Tale of Enduring Love: A Merry Musical Christmas*

**2ND PLACE:** Steve Crump, The Times-News  
“Old men, absent friends ...” “Have yourself a merry ...” “When the long knives comes out ...”

**3RD PLACE:** Todd Wels, Grants Pass Daily Courier  
Cronkite’s death leaves nation, industry poorer; Halloween’s the most boo-tiful time of year; Taking the time to check out your library worth it.

**PAGE DESIGN**

**1ST PLACE:** Doug Harvey, The News-Review  
Firefighters and EMTs at crash scene

**2ND PLACE:** Matt Baldwin, Independent Record  
Fish Perish in Mudslide

**3RD PLACE:** James Brooks, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner  
Cronkite’s death leaves nation, industry poorer; Halloween’s the most boo-tiful time of year; Taking the time to check out your library worth it.

**HEADLINES**

**1ST PLACE:** Julie Breslin, The Daily News  
Firefighters and EMTs at crash scene

**2ND PLACE:** Catherine J. Hicks, wire editor, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin  
Fish Perish in Mudslide

**3RD PLACE:** Staff, Grants Pass Daily Courier  
Cronkite’s death leaves nation, industry poorer; Halloween’s the most boo-tiful time of year; Taking the time to check out your library worth it.

**NEWS PHOTOGRAPHY**

**1ST PLACE:** Sean Sperry, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Firefighters and EMTs at crash scene

**2ND PLACE:** Dan Schreiber, The Chronicle  
Fish Perish in Mudslide

**3RD PLACE:** Dan Jackson, The Daily World  
Cronkite’s death leaves nation, industry poorer; Halloween’s the most boo-tiful time of year; Taking the time to check out your library worth it.

**FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY**

**1ST PLACE:** Erik Petersen, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Owl eating a mouse

**2ND PLACE:** Eric Engman, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner  
Bee Sting

**3RD PLACE:** Matthew B. Zimmerman, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin  
Policing Patchwork
**SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHY**

1st Place: Erik Petersen, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Rodeo Rider

2nd Place: Nick Wolcott, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Skiing

3rd Place: Pete Caster, The Chronicle  
You’re Out!

**PHOTO PAGE**

1st Place: E.J. Harris, Joe Duty, Joe Tierney, East Oregonian  
Round-Up Rodeo

2nd Place: Eric Engman, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner  
Yukon Quest

3rd Place: Jeff Horner, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin  
FALL FANTASTIC PANORAMA – pages 1 & 2

**PHOTO PORTFOLIO**

1st Place: Ben Pierce, Bozeman Daily Chronicle

2nd Place: Brian Myrick, Daily Record

3rd Place: Mark Ylen, Albany Democrat-Herald

**INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING**

1st Place: Danny Martin, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner  
The firing of a hockey coach

2nd Place: Meghan Walsh, The World  
Did he lie?

**SPOT NEWS REPORTING**

1st Place: Callie White, The Daily World  
Rough crossing north of Hoquiam

2nd Place: Barbara LaBoe, Amy M.E. Fischer, The Daily News  
South Kelso evacuated Coweeman threatens to breach levee

3rd Place: Kira Cox, Staff, Bellingham Herald  
Whatcom Middle School Fire

**CRIME AND JUSTICE REPORTING**

1st Place: Tahlia Ganser, Skagit Valley Herald  
Missing dog trainer’s life a tangle of contradictions

2nd Place: Jacob Jones, The Daily World  
“I will find my daughter”

3rd Place: Chelsea Krotzer, Daily Record  
Not Guilty

**GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS REPORTING**

1st Place: Jared Hopkins, The Times-News  
“Legislature of hard knocks”

2nd Place: Barbara LaBoe, The Daily News  
One-stop commanding

3rd Place: Ralph Schwartz, Skagit Valley Herald  
The rising price of justice

**EDUCATION REPORTING**

1st Place: Cheryl Hatch, Corvallis Gazette-Times  
Goodbye, Dr. J

2nd Place: Amy M.E. Fischer, The Daily News  
The $141,000 student

3rd Place: Gail Schontzler, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Outgoing Montana State University President Geoff Gamble is a hard act to follow

**HEALTH REPORTING**

1st Place: Gail Schontzler, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Kids living with cancer find grace under the Big Sky

2nd Place: Bennett Hall, Corvallis Gazette-Times  
“Making the Rounds”

WW01 Place: Brian Mittge, The Chronicle  
A Joyful Life, a Race for the Cure

**ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE REPORTING**

1st Place: Ariel Hansen, The Times-News  
“Formerly human-fed elk herd causing struggles in Elkhorn subdivision”

2nd Place: Greg Garrison, The Daily News  
Ecology meets economy

3rd Place: Ben Pierce, Bozeman Daily Chronicle  
Pine Beetle Outbreak
GENERAL EXCELLENCE

1ST PLACE: Staff, Billings Gazette
2ND PLACE: Staff, The Daily Herald (Everett)
3RD PLACE: Staff, Statesman Journal

BUSINESS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Chris Henry, Tara Garcia Mathewson, Kitsap Sun
Making the Arrangements for a World Market

2ND PLACE: Courtney Sherwood, Courtney Sherwood
The Columbian: Lending a Bad Hand

3RD PLACE: Michelle Dunlop, The Daily Herald
Signs were clear Boeing wasn’t tied to location

BUSINESS COLUMN

1ST PLACE: Julia Anderson, The Columbian

2ND PLACE: Mike Benbow, The Daily Herald

SOCIAL ISSUES REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Ruth Liao, Statesman Journal
Raising a Community: School Readiness

2ND PLACE: Melissa Sanchez, Yakima Herald-Republic
Mixteco-speaking immigrants struggle to make a life

3RD PLACE: Melissa Sanchez, Yakima Herald-Republic
At a loss

PERSONALITIES REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Josh Farley, Kitsap Sun
Kingston Couple Died as They Lived... Together

2ND PLACE: Donna Healy, Billings Gazette
A surrogate’s journey

3RD PLACE: Theresa Goffredo, The Daily Herald
Memories that never fade

LIFESTYLES REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Jane Gargas, Yakima Herald-Republic
Living lightly on earth

2ND PLACE: Paris Achen, Mail Tribune
Fashion Sense (Fashion during the recession)

3RD PLACE: Melissa Sanchez, Yakima Herald-Republic
Viva la Centinela - Mexican-style rodeo

SHORT FEATURE STORY

1ST PLACE: Debra Smith, The Daily Herald
The Only Wish Left: To a dying father, a tattoo wasn’t just ink

2ND PLACE: Andy Rathbun, The Daily Herald
Prison-yard artists learn a Native American craft

3RD PLACE: Barbara Curtin, Statesman Journal
In memory of dad's honor

LONG FEATURE STORY

1ST PLACE: Melissa Sanchez, Yakima Herald-Republic
No escape

2ND PLACE: Alandra Johnson, The Bulletin
Making visits meaningful

3RD PLACE: Kaitlin Manry, The Daily Herald
Sacia’s promise

ARTS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Barbara Curtin, Statesman Journal
In the business of magic

2ND PLACE: Adam Kispert, Kitsap Sun
‘Best of the Decade’ album reviews
SPORTS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Scott Spruill, Yakima Herald-Republic
End of an era

2ND PLACE: Gary Horowitz, Jim Day, Statesman Journal
Rose Bowl coverage

3RD PLACE: Sanne Specht, Mail Tribune
Grants Pass racing season turns deadly

SPORTS FEATURE STORY

1ST PLACE: Nathan Joyce, Kitsap Sun
For Jake Beitinger, It's Been a Long and Winding Basketball Road

2ND PLACE: Scott Sandsberry, Yakima Herald-Republic
Life Force - A new opponent for Lynden Christian coach Curt De Haan

3RD PLACE: Mike Cane, The Daily Herald
Local boy finds hope in football

COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE

1ST PLACE: Lily Raff, The Bulletin
A mystery illness, a spirited fight

2ND PLACE: Alan Gustafson, Statesman Journal
Oregon State Hospital coverage

3RD PLACE: Scott North, The Daily Herald
The strange tale of Shawna Forde

SPORTS COLUMN

1ST PLACE: Greg Jayne, The Columbian

2ND PLACE: Bill Speltz, Missoulian

3RD PLACE: Roger Underwood, Yakima Herald-Republic

EDITORIAL AND COMMENTARY

1ST PLACE: Carol MacPherson, The Daily Herald

2ND PLACE: Gary Nelson, Mail Tribune

3RD PLACE: Tom Koenninger, The Columbian

COLUMN WRITING

1ST PLACE: Sanne Specht, Mail Tribune

2ND PLACE: Julie Muhlstein, The Daily Herald

PAGE DESIGN

1ST PLACE: Katie Mayer, The Daily Herald
Rollover Trap

2ND PLACE: Jeremy Dutton, Tri-City Herald
Honor Guard Flag

3RD PLACE: Jennifer Montgomery, The Bulletin
Octoberfest

NEWS PHOTOGRAPHY

1ST PLACE: Kai-Huei Yau, Tri-City Herald

2ND PLACE: Mark Mulligan, The Daily Herald

3RD PLACE: Kobbi R. Blair, Statesman Journal

FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY

1ST PLACE: Kurt Wilson, Missoulian
Eagle Liftoff

2ND PLACE: Bob Pennell, Mail Tribune
Natural Baby Food

3RD PLACE: Rob Kerr, The Bulletin
Watermelon Hat

SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHY

1ST PLACE: Dan Bates, The Daily Herald
Motocross Racer

2ND PLACE: Rob Kerr, The Bulletin
Grand Slam

3RD PLACE: Gordon King, Yakima Herald-Republic
Rodeo miss
PHOTOPAGE
1ST PLACE: Sara Gettys, Yakima Herald-Republic
Bringing Evan home
2ND PLACE: Kurt Wilson, Missoulian
Unexpected Joy
3RD PLACE: James Woodcock, Billings Gazette
Womens Prison Sweat Lodge

PHOTO PORTFOLIO
1ST PLACE: Dan Bates, The Daily Herald
2ND PLACE: Paul Ruhter, Billings Gazette
3RD PLACE: Sara Gettys, Yakima Herald-Republic

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Mackenzie Ryan, Statesman Journal
Oregon’s Financial Gamble
2ND PLACE: Scott North, Jackson Holtz, The Daily Herald
Devotion & Doubts. Pasado's Safe Haven is a force for animals, but critics question its tactics and tangled finances
3RD PLACE: John Trumbo, Tri-City Herald
A pastor's cloudy past

SPOT NEWS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Jackson Holtz, Diana Hefley, The Daily Herald
Officer charged in killing
2ND PLACE: John Branton, The Columbian
Man gets 120 years for shooting at police
3RD PLACE: Stacey Barchenger, Statesman Journal
Marion County sheriff resigns

CRIME AND JUSTICE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Stacey Barchenger, Statesman Journal
Ivan Cam familiar face in jail
2ND PLACE: Greg Tuttle, Billings Gazette
Murder of Billings woman unsolved after 10 years
3RD PLACE: Melissa Sanchez, Yakima Herald-Republic
Illegal immigrants, unlawful activities

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Erik Robinson, The Columbian
Washed Away
2ND PLACE: Pat Muir, Yakima Herald-Republic
E-mails show outside influence
3RD PLACE: Tracy Loew, Statesman Journal
WESD financial and management investigation

EDUCATION REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Mackenzie Ryan, Statesman Journal
The Experience Factor
2ND PLACE: Amy Rolf, The Daily Herald
Back to School
3RD PLACE: Chelsi Moy, Missoulian
Recruiting on the rez: UM appeals directly to American Indian students

HEALTH REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Amie Thompson, Great Falls Tribune
Lethal Legacy, a three-day series
2ND PLACE: Scott Hewitt, The Columbian
Baby Steps Toward Recovery
3RD PLACE: Sharon Salyer, The Daily Herald
Fight for Life After Dog Bite Evolves Into Battle To Regain Mobility

ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Bill Sheets, The Daily Herald
Hostile Waters
2ND PLACE: Phil Ferolito, Yakima Herald-Republic
Burial the natural way in cemetery near Goldendale
3RD PLACE: Michael Andersen, The Columbian
An Agricultural Mystery
GENERAL EXCELLENCE
1ST PLACE: Staff, The Oregonian
2ND PLACE: Staff, The Seattle Times
3RD PLACE: Staff, The Spokesman-Review

BUSINESS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Hal Bernton, The Seattle Times
   *The Struggle for Power Aboard the Doomed Alaska Ranger*
2ND PLACE: Sharon Pian Chan, The Seattle Times
   *Microsoft interns get perks, pay, play*
3RD PLACE: Nick Perry, The Seattle Times
   *Collapse still haunts former WaMu workers*

BUSINESS COLUMN
1ST PLACE: Bill Virgin, Bill Virgin
2ND PLACE: Rami Grunbaum, The Seattle Times
3RD PLACE: Jon Talton, The Seattle Times

SOCIAL ISSUES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Nicholas K. Geranios, The Associated Press
   *Stain of Aryan Nations remains in Idaho*
2ND PLACE: Erik Lacitis, The Seattle Times
   *It’s the end after 32 years for Renton’s last general bookstore*
3RD PLACE: Lornet Turnbull, The Seattle Times
   *Martin Luther King and Barack Obama*

PERSONALITIES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Scott Fontaine, The News Tribune
   *L. Dan*
2ND PLACE: Carol M. Ostrom, The Seattle Times
   *Dr. Sigvard Hansen challenged assumptions and helped turn around trauma care*
3RD PLACE: Gabriel Campanario, The Seattle Times
   *Time with Real Change hawker well spent*

LIFESTYLES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Kevin Graman, The Spokesman-Review
   *Beyond the veil*
2ND PLACE: Erik Lacitis, The Seattle Times
   *Dog owner says rules stink*
3RD PLACE: Karen Gaudette, Karen Gaudette, Seattle Times
   *Picnics in the Northwest happen rain or shine*

SHORT FEATURE STORY
1ST PLACE: Lewis Kamb, Lewis Kamb
   *SeattlePI.com: Last Deadline Cuts Like Knife*
2ND PLACE: Katy Muldoon, The Oregonian
   *Portland couple built a love that lasted*
3RD PLACE: Nicole Tsong, The Seattle Times
   *“After Mine That Bird’s Kentucky Derby upset, Issaquah woman looks forward to Preakness”*

LONG FEATURE STORY
1ST PLACE: Brent Walth, The Oregonian
   *The Blast*
2ND PLACE: Randi Bjornstad, The Register-Guard
   *Going Back*
3RD PLACE: Nicole Tsong, The Seattle Times
   *Shelter provides help for women in Bellevue*

ARTS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Marty Hughley, The Oregonian
   *Behind the scenes, a war of words*
2ND PLACE: Misha Berson, The Seattle Times
   *Seattle’s professional actors feeling squeezed off local stages*
3RD PLACE: Michael Upchurch, The Seattle Times
   *Cornish College musicians re-create historic John Cage, Lou Harrison performances*

SPORTS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Rachel Bachman, The Oregonian
   *Kenny Wheaton’s run to daylight*
2ND PLACE: Rachel Bachman, The Oregonian
   *The big bucks*
3RD PLACE: Mark Baker, The Register-Guard
   *The brain behind the bill*
SPORTS FEATURE STORY
1ST PLACE: Jason Quick, The Oregonian
   Snoozing â€” to stop losing
2ND PLACE: Mason Kelley, The Seattle Times
   Long Road Home
3RD PLACE: Rob Moseley, The Register-Guard
   Unbreakable Bond

COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE
1ST PLACE: Dominic Gates, Mike Siegel, Rami Grunbaum, The Seattle Times
   First flight of the Dreamliner
2ND PLACE: Staff, The Seattle Times
   Ambush slaying of Seattle police officer
3RD PLACE: Lewis Kamb, Reporter, Rita Hibbard, Editor, Hearst Investigations Team, Seattle Post-Intelligencer
   Chain Saw Scouting

SPORTS COLUMN
1ST PLACE: John Canzano, The Oregonian
2ND PLACE: John McGrath, The News Tribune
3RD PLACE: Larry Stone, The Seattle Times

EDITORIAL AND COMMENTARY
1ST PLACE: Jamie Tobias Neely, Jamie Tobias Neely
2ND PLACE: Susan Nielsen, The Oregonian
3RD PLACE: Ryan Blethen, The Seattle Times

COLUMN WRITING
1ST PLACE: Danny Westneat, The Seattle Times
2ND PLACE: Steve Duin, The Oregonian
3RD PLACE: Kathleen Merryman, The News Tribune

PAGE DESIGN
1ST PLACE: Rich Boudet, The Seattle Times
2ND PLACE: Geoff Pinnock, The Spokesman-Review
3RD PLACE: Staff, The News Tribune

HEADLINES
1ST PLACE: Jim McNett, The Oregonian
   Snoozing â€” to stop losing
2ND PLACE: Karly Imus, The Oregonian
3RD PLACE: Amy Reifenrath, The Oregonian

NEWS PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: Alan Berner, The Seattle Times
   Amanda Knox Guilty On All Counts
2ND PLACE: Alan Berner, The Seattle Times
   Gov. Gregoire: We Will Remember Them Always
3RD PLACE: Beth Nakamura, The Oregonian
   Neighbors watch school burn

FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: Drew Perine, The News Tribune
   Training Wheels
2ND PLACE: Alan Berner, The Seattle Times
   Adapting To The Situation
3RD PLACE: Drew Perine, The News Tribune
   Farewell, Mrs. Tromsness

SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHY
1ST PLACE: Kevin Clark, The Register-Guard
   Faceoff at the finish line
2ND PLACE: Christopher Anderson, The Spokesman-Review
   C27 Bat Shatter
3RD PLACE: Alan Berner, The Seattle Times
   Lost In Space

PHOTOPAGE
1ST PLACE: Alan Berner, The Seattle Times
   The Gift of An Arm
2ND PLACE: Erika Schultz, The Seattle Times
   In Cuba, life is finding work and making do
3RD PLACE: Ross William Hamilton, The Oregonian
   The end of a long, valiant fight
PHOTO PORTFOLIO

1ST PLACE: Thomas Boyd, The Oregonian
2ND PLACE: Jamie Francis, The Oregonian
3RD PLACE: Drew Perine, The News Tribune

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Drew DeSilver, David Heath, James Neff, The Seattle Times
   Inside the collapse of Washington Mutual
2ND PLACE: Justin Carinci, The Daily Journal of Commerce
   City stimulus package

SPOT NEWS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Seattle Times staff, The Seattle Times
   Suspect shot as city mourns slain officer
2ND PLACE: Jennifer Sullivan, Steve Miletich, The Seattle Times
   Drive-by shooting of Seattle officer
3RD PLACE: Kevin Graman, Sara Leaming, Jody Lawrence-Turner, The Spokesman-Review
   Field trip for escapee flies in face of ruling

CRIME AND JUSTICE REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Nicholas K. Geranios, The Associated Press
   Criminally insane live among us
2ND PLACE: Bob Young, Christine Clarridge, Lynn Thompson, The Seattle Times
   The Culture of Youth Violence
3RD PLACE: Seattle Times staff, The Seattle Times
   Slaying of Seattle police officer

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Jim Brunner, Jonathan Martin, The Seattle Times
   Joe Mallahan: Candidate built a reputation as T-Mobile’s idea man
2ND PLACE: Keith Ervin, Steve Miletich, The Seattle Times
   Forgery allegations follow candidate
3RD PLACE: David Steves, The Register-Guard
   An Aging Population

EDUCATION REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Steve Miletich, The Seattle Times
   Drama professor: provocative or bully?
2ND PLACE: Linda Shaw, The Seattle Times
   Make no mistake: Seattle schools chief is decisive, driven, direct
3RD PLACE: Nick Perry, The Seattle Times
   Caught in the college arms race, students and parents pay more and more

HEALTH REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Carol M. Ostrom, The Seattle Times
   Northwest primary care medicine: Curing what ails us
2ND PLACE: Mark Baker, The Register-Guard
   Determined to heal

ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Sandi Doughton, The Seattle Times
   Can Wolves Restore an Ecosystem?
2ND PLACE: Nicholas K. Geranios, The Associated Press
   Bootleg detergents on the rise in Spokane
3RD PLACE: Sandi Doughton, The Seattle Times
   Darwin’s fishes: The three-spine stickleback of the Pacific Northwest

ALLIRCATIONS TOGETHER

GRAPHICS AND ILLUSTRATIONS

1ST PLACE: Andy Zeigert, The Bulletin
   Our weather makes sense
2ND PLACE: Judy Stanley, The Daily Herald
   Judy Stanley Graphics
3RD PLACE: Sandy Salas, The Times-News
   “Ready, aim, hunt”
LIFESTYLES REPORTING

Child's Gambit

2ND PLACE: Jonathan Kauffman, Seattle Weekly
And You Will Know Us by the Trail of German Butterballs

3RD PLACE: Assunta Ng, Northwest Asian Weekly
Dim sum made easy: From seasoned veterans to first-timers, there's a restaurant in Seattle for everyone

PERSONALITIES REPORTING

Practical Jokes

2ND PLACE: Casey Jarman, Willamette Week
Battlestar Illmaculate

3RD PLACE: Mike Seely, Seattle Weekly
The Leon Hendrix Experience

CRITICISM

Art History of Violence

2ND PLACE: Suzi Steffen, Eugene Weekly
Red Hot Mess

3RD PLACE: Molly Templeton, Eugene Weekly
Defining Her Future

BUSINESS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Nina Shapiro, Seattle Weekly
Intelius and the Dubious Art of Post-Transaction Marketing

2ND PLACE: Aaron Mesh, Willamette Week
Here's The Pitch

3RD PLACE: Rick Anderson, Seattle Weekly
Post Post-Intelligencer

SPORTS REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Jacob H. Fries, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
Wasteland

2ND PLACE: Rafe Bartholomew, Seattle Weekly
Nate Robinson, Little King

3RD PLACE: Damon Agnos, Seattle Weekly
Spoiling for a Fight

EDITORIAL AND COMMENTARY

1ST PLACE: Stacy Nguyen, Northwest Asian Weekly
2ND PLACE: Stacy Nguyen, Northwest Asian Weekly
3RD PLACE: Mark Lee, Northwest Asian Weekly

SPECIAL SECTION

1ST PLACE: Ben Waterhouse, Willamette Week
Restaurant Guide

2ND PLACE: Molly Templeton, Todd Cooper, Eugene Weekly
The State of Suds

3RD PLACE: Suzi Steffen, Todd Cooper, Eugene Weekly
Oregon Bach Festival 2009 Guide

PAGE DESIGN

1ST PLACE: Willamette Week Production Staff, Willamette Week

2ND PLACE: Chris Bovey, The Pacific Northwest Inlander

3RD PLACE: Chris Bovey, The Pacific Northwest Inlander

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING

1ST PLACE: Laura Onstot, Seattle Weekly
Pipe Schemes

2ND PLACE: Rick Anderson, Seattle Weekly
Death's Door
GRAPHICS AND ILLUSTRATIONS
1ST PLACE: Hawk Krall, Willamette Week
2ND PLACE: Chris Bovey, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
3RD PLACE: Stacy Nguyen, Northwest Asian Weekly

CRIME AND JUSTICE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: James Pitkin, Willamette Week
   To Catch A Stoner
2ND PLACE: Rick Anderson, Seattle Weekly
   Smooth Jailing
3RD PLACE: Matt Davis, The Portland Mercury
   The Secrets Behind The Secret List

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Kevin Taylor, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
   A Delicate Proposition
2ND PLACE: Alex Sakariassen, Missoula Independent
   Questioning conservatism
3RD PLACE: Nina Shapiro, Seattle Weekly
   Judge Betty’s Revenge

ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Erika Fredrickson, Missoula Independent
   Alone on the Range
2ND PLACE: Skylar Browning, R.C. Hooker, Missoula Independent
   Dying to go Green
3RD PLACE: Leah Sottile, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
   Great White

HEALTH REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Nina Shapiro, Seattle Weekly
   Terminal Uncertainty
2ND PLACE: Nicholas Deshais, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
   Misdiagnosed
3RD PLACE: Matthew Frank, Missoula Independent
   The War at Home

SOCIAL ISSUES REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Kevin Taylor, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
   Saving Salish
2ND PLACE: Vernal Coleman, Seattle Weekly
   A Child Left Behind
3RD PLACE: Beth Slovic, Willamette Week
   Cheerless

EDUCATION REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Beth Slovic, Willamette Week
   Left Out
2ND PLACE: Camilla Mortensen, Eugene Weekly
   Retaliation? Did the UO fire a professor for alleging racism?
3RD PLACE: Daniel Walters, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
   State of Debate

ARTS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Erika Fredrickson, Missoula Independent
   Missoula’s vibrant arts community could hold the key to an economic turnaround
2ND PLACE: Michael Bowen, The Pacific Northwest Inlander
   Put Your Finger on It
3RD PLACE: Aaron Mesh, Willamette Week
   Suspended Animation
**GENERAL EXCELLENCE**

1ST PLACE: KULR-8 News, KULR
2ND PLACE: Margo Papke, KEPR
KEPR Action News
3RD PLACE: Heather Reese, Jackie Watanabe, KIMA
KIMA Action News

**SPOT NEWS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Melissa Wagner, Nick Campfield, KIMA
Ellensburg Flooding
2ND PLACE: Ryan Simms, Nick Campfield, KIMA
Fire at the Mill

**GENERAL NEWS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Sarah Gravlee, KULR
American Police Force
2ND PLACE: Molly Kelleher, KEPR
Snow Removal Cuts
3RD PLACE: Peter Bukowski, Nick Campfield, KIMA
Rockslide Victims

**FEATURE NEWS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Allison Martin, KOHD
Life Interrupted
2ND PLACE: David Klugh, KIMA
Police Explorers
3RD PLACE: Kyle Trompeter, KEPR
Cancer Survivor Celebrates

**INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Jonathan Athens, Justin Boyes, Brandon Hanson, KTVM
Password Scandal Part One and Part Two
2ND PLACE: Chelsea Kopta, KEPR
Digging Into Daycare Safety
3RD PLACE: Holly Zuluaga, KEPR
Taco Truck Safety

**SPECIAL REPORT/DOCUMENTARY**

1ST PLACE: Bruce Reichert, Idaho Public Television
Outdoor Idaho: Wolves in Idaho
2ND PLACE: Marcia Franklin, Jay Krajic, Idaho Public Television
Outdoor Idaho: Let Me Be Brave
3RD PLACE: John Crancer, Chuck Cathcart, Jay Krajic, Idaho Public Television
Outdoor Idaho: Pathways of Pioneers

**SPORTS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Dave Griffiths, KWYB
Sideline Reporting Coverage of Montana State vs. Northern Arizona Football on 10/10/09
2ND PLACE: Jason Nitschke, KFBB/KHBB-TV
2009 Big Sky ProRodeo Roundup Live Preview Coverage
3RD PLACE: Patrick Noland, Joe Gorchow, KNDU
Sports Finale

**PHOTOJOURNALISM**

1ST PLACE: Paul S. Humphrey, KTVQ
Team River Runner tackles Montana whitewater
2ND PLACE: Dan Thesman, Reporter/Photographer, Blue Mountain Television
Sentimental Journey
3RD PLACE: Katie Artist, KULR
Montana’s Singing Cowboy
**SPOT NEWS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Abbey Gibb, Devon Haskins, KREM
*Mental Patient Escapes*

2ND PLACE: KVAL Staff, KVAL
*Stephanie Condon Remains Found*

**GENERAL NEWS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Linda Byron, Kellie Cheadle, Steve Douglas, KING
*Bank Robberies*

2ND PLACE: Mike Murad, KBCI
*Cold Case*

3RD PLACE: Mike Murad, Clyn Richards, KBCI
*Teen Crime, Adult Time*

**FEATURE NEWS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Nick Krupke, KVAL
*Losing Baseball Team*

2ND PLACE: Chris Daniels - Reporter, Ron Sanford - Photojournalist/Editor, KING
*Man in a Ditch*

3RD PLACE: Michelle Esteban, Jon Knorr, Dan Liberator, KOMO
*Sail Power*

**INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: Linda Byron, Kellie Cheadle, Steve Douglas, KING
*Deception For Sale: Sono Bello*

2ND PLACE: Susannah Frame, Reporter, Steve Douglas, Photographer, Kellie Cheadle, Producer, KING
*State of Injustice*

3RD PLACE: Jennifer Winters, Rob Woodward, KVAL
*Ambulance Across Parking Lot*

**SPORTS REPORTING**

1ST PLACE: KVAL Sports Staff, KVAL
*Rose Bowl Bound*

2ND PLACE: Chris Daniels - Reporter, Gary Burckhardt - Photojournalist, KING
*The World Police and Fire Games*

3RD PLACE: Nick Krupke, KVAL
*Return of Distance*

**PHOTOJOURNALISM**

1ST PLACE: Roger Hatcher, KREM
*Spokane 48 Hour Film Fest*

2ND PLACE: Brett Allbery, William Pitts, KREM
*World Record Rubik's Cube*

3RD PLACE: Nick Krupke, KVAL
*Special Olympic Golfers*
GENERAL EXCELLENCE
1ST PLACE: Staff, KPAM
KPAM News

SPOT NEWS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Staff, KIRO
97.3 KIRO FM “Officers Murdered”
2ND PLACE: Tim Hohl, Terry Travis, Mark Provost, KPAM
“School Fire then Office Shooting”
3RD PLACE: Adam Cotterell, Boise State Radio
Manwill Search

GENERAL NEWS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Staff, KIRO
Continuing Coverage of Officers Murdered
2ND PLACE: Adam Cotterell, Boise State Radio
Dairy Crisis Part 1 and 2
3RD PLACE: April Baer, reporter, Beth Hyams, editor, Oregon Public Broadcasting (radio)
Discovery of Opium Poppies Has Law Officers Concerned

FEATURE NEWS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Amanda Loder, Spokane Public Radio
Iraq doesn't hinder local woman’s career plans
2ND PLACE: John Ryan, reporter, Jim Gates, editor, KUOW
Researchers Explore Link Between Skagit Bay and North Korea
3RD PLACE: Heather Bosch, KIRO
Soldier Song

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Mark Provost, KPAM
“Stolen Innocence”
2ND PLACE: Austin Jenkins, Chris Lehman, Northwest News Network
Data Center Debate: Despite High Costs, I.T. Facilities Get Little Scrutiny
3RD PLACE: Samantha Wright, Boise State Radio
Debt Collectors Are People Too Part 1 and 2

SPECIAL REPORT
1ST PLACE: Christy George, producer, Steven Kray, Sound Engineer, Morgan Holm, editor, Oregon Public Broadcasting (radio)
The Denmark Project

NEWS SERIES
1ST PLACE: Anna King, Northwest News Network
Hidden Religions
2ND PLACE: Jennifer Wing, Liam Moriarty, Keith Seinfeld, KPLU
A No-Newspaper Town?
3RD PLACE: Sadie Babits, Northwest News Network
Starting Over: Refugees Struggle In Down Economy

SPORTS REPORTING
1ST PLACE: Staff, KPAM
“Duck Punch”
2ND PLACE: Adam Cotterell, Boise State Radio
Iron Dad
3RD PLACE: Doug Nadvornick, Northwest News Network
Community College Basketball Players Find Lessons On And Off Court
**SPOT NEWS**

**1ST PLACE:** staff, SeattlePI.com  
*spot news seattlepi.com*

**2ND PLACE:** KTUU.com staff, KTUU  
*Redoubt erupts after months of anticipation*

**3RD PLACE:** Andrew Hinkelman, Lori Tipton, KTUU  
*Palin announcement an early start to weekend fireworks*

**INNOVATION AWARD**

**1ST PLACE:** Staff, Independent Record  
*Continuum of Care*

**2ND PLACE:** Gabriel Campanario, The Seattle Times  
*Seattle Sketcher*

**3RD PLACE:** Paul Balcerak, Dennis Box, Covington/Maple Valley Reporter  
*Black Diamond: Investigations, firings, resignations - Everything you need to know*

**BEST SITE - GENERAL NEWS**

**1ST PLACE:** The Olympian, The Olympian  
*Best Site - The Olympian*

**2ND PLACE:** Staff, The Oregonian  
*OregonLive.com*

**3RD PLACE:** Staff, The Seattle Times  
*Seattletimes.com*

**BEST SITE - SPECIALIZED SUBJECT**

**1ST PLACE:** Chris Dunagan, Kitsap Sun  
*Watching Our Water Ways (blog)*

**2ND PLACE:** Doug Ramsey, Doug Ramsey  
*Rifftides*

**3RD PLACE:** Joan Cartan-Hansen, Rick Penticoff, Stephanie Dickey, Idaho Public Television  
*D4K Website*

**BEST ONLINE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**1ST PLACE:** Mike Green, Ashland Daily Tidings  
*Connect Ashland*

**2ND PLACE:** Staff, SeattlePI.com  
*Seattlepi.com staff on Facebook & Twitter*

**3RD PLACE:** KVAL Staff, KVAL  
*KVAL Social Media*

**BEST WEB DESIGN**

**1ST PLACE:** Kitsap Sun staff, Kitsap Sun  
*Kitsapsun.com*

**2ND PLACE:** KVAL Web Staff, KVAL  
*KVAL.com*

**3RD PLACE:** Staff, KING5.com  
*KING5.com*

**BEST NEW SITE**

**1ST PLACE:** Betsy Hammond, Bill Graves, Wendy Owen, The Oregonian  
*Chalk It Up: The Oregonian's new local education site*

**2ND PLACE:** Cody Thompson, Casey Grove, KTUU  
*GoToAK.com*

**3RD PLACE:** Han Bui, Stacy Nguyen, Northwest Asian Weekly  
*Northwest Asian Weekly's Web site*

**BEST SITE - SPECIALIZED GEOGRAPHY**

**1ST PLACE:** Justin Carder, CHS Capitol Hill Seattle Blog  
*CHS Capitol Hill Seattle*

**2ND PLACE:** Doree Armstrong, Dale Steinke, Kate Bergman, Next Door Media  
*PhinneyWood.com*

**3RD PLACE:** KVAL Web Staff, KVAL  
*KVAL Communities*

**BEST PARENT SITE**

**1ST PLACE:** Staff, SeattlePI.com  
*Seattlepi.com*

**2ND PLACE:** Chris Kornelis, Staff, Seattle Weekly  
*SeattleWeekly.com*

**3RD PLACE:** Staff, The Spokesman-Review  
*The Spokesman-Review*
SPECIAL REPORT/ENTERPRISE

1ST PLACE: Staff, The Seattle Times
*Local foreclosures soar threefold in two years*

2ND PLACE: Lewis Kamb, Gilbert Arias, Daniel Lathrop, Lewis Kamb
*SeattlePI.com: Chain Saw Scouting*

3RD PLACE: Staff, Kitsap Sun
*Remembering Pearl Harbor*

ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT/ LIFESTYLE

1ST PLACE: Travis Hay, Ear Candy
*Pearl Jam at KeyArena*

2ND PLACE: Rachel Beck, Andy Cripe, Corvallis Gazette-Times
*From farm to market*

3RD PLACE: Travis Hay, Crosscut.com Public Media
*Discovering Nirvana’s Lost Treasures*

BUSINESS

1ST PLACE: Knute Berger, Knute Berger
*Crosscut: Seven Steps for Saving Pioneer Square*

2ND PLACE: Melinda Fulmer, MSN Real Estate
*Is your suburb the next slum?*

3RD PLACE: Marilyn Lewis, MSN Real Estate
*5 ways homebuyers are kept in the dark*

SPORTS

1ST PLACE: Larry Cathey, Kevin Laumius, Travis Moore, Grants Pass Daily Courier
*Reviving roller derby*

2ND PLACE: Staff, The Spokesman-Review
*John Stockton, hall of famer*

3RD PLACE: Glenn Nelson, Chris Hansen, Staff, HoopGurlz.com, HoopGurlz,

COMMENTARY

1ST PLACE: Judy Lightfoot, Crosscut.com:
*Gerald keeps his job*

2ND PLACE: Peter Jackson, Crosscut.com Public Media
*Drawing the Line on Everett Landmarks*

3RD PLACE: Terrence Nowicki, Jr., http://thisishistorictimes.com/
*This is Historic Times*

SLIDESHOW

1ST PLACE: Paul Ruhter, Billings Gazette
*Natasha’s Story*

2ND PLACE: Danny Gawlowski, Photo department, The Seattle Times
*Lakewood police memorial service*

3RD PLACE: Eric Engman, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner
*Yukon Quest*

VIDEO

1ST PLACE: Chris Pietsch, The Register-Guard
*Historic Civic*

2ND PLACE: Colin Mulvany, Kevin Graman, The Spokesman-Review
*In the Realm of Fairies*

3RD PLACE: Colin Mulvany, Kevin Graman, The Spokesman-Review
*Beyond the Yellow Ribbon*

INTERACTIVE GRAPHIC OR RESOURCE

1ST PLACE: Staff, The News Tribune
*SoundInfo Databases*

2ND PLACE: Staff, Mail Tribune
*Rogue River Guide*

3RD PLACE: Judy Stanley, The Daily Herald
*Killer Whales of the Pacific Northwest*