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Division AA (News Staff of 16 or More)

Arts Feature
First Place
WNPR - Connecticut Public Radio - 6 Decades Later, This Atomic Vet Is Finishing His Music Education
Second Place
Wisconsin Public Radio - The Search for the Synthesizers Behind the "All Things Considered" Theme

Audience Engagement Program
First Place
Michigan Radio - How do you survive ‘pandemic parenting’?
Second Place

Breaking News
First Place
WBUR - ‘Massive Boston Rally For Racial Justice Devolves Into Chaos’
Second Place
Louisville Public Media - Law Enforcement Killing of David McAtee

Collaborative Effort
First Place
WGBH - Lives Remembered: A look back at some of the lives we’ve lost to COVID
Second Place
WBUR - "Mass. Election Prep"
Commentary
First Place
KUOW-FM - ‘Gracias por todo.’ Delivering food during the pandemic was worth it to hear my mom say these words
Second Place
KCFR - Colorado Public Radio - The Nuggets Are Making It OK To Feel Good Again

Continuing Coverage
First Place
Michigan Radio - COVID-19 pandemic continuing coverage
Second Place
Louisville Public Media - Louisville Protests

COVID-19 Feature
First Place
Chicago Public Radio/WBEZ - As Chicago Reopens, Is It Time To Let My Parents Meet Their Grandchildren?
Second Place
St. Louis Public Radio - At This Coronavirus-Plagued St. Louis County Hospital, The Pandemic Takes Its Toll

Enterprise
First Place
KERA - 90.1 Dallas - The Asylum Trap
Second Place
KJZZ 91.5 FM - Rising Violence Tests Sonora

Feature
First Place
KUT 90.5 FM - The Godfather of Clubbing
Second Place
WBUR - ‘A Community Theater Leader Disappears And Leaves A Trail Of Deception In His Wake’

Interview
First Place
Second Place
Vermont Public Radio - Everest Asian Market: Feeding Vermont’s Hunger For International Flavors
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Investigative Reporting
First Place
WBUR - 'Dying On The Sheriff's Watch'
Second Place
KCFR - Colorado Public Radio - Shots Fired: An investigation that reveals trends in police shootings in Colorado

Long Documentary
First Place
WHYY - FM - 'Why did this just happen?' Philly's escalating protests
Second Place
KCFR - Colorado Public Radio - The Long Lonely Lake

Multi-Media Presentation
First Place
Minnesota Public Radio - Making George Floyd's Square
Second Place
WBUR - "Dying On The Sheriff's Watch"

News Feature
First Place
WBUR - 'Boston Police Working Overtime Still Do Not Wear Body Cameras, Despite City's Pledge A Year Ago'
Second Place
Michigan Radio - Tax foreclosure lawsuit asks: How much can government take from property owners?

News/Public Affairs Program
First Place
Texas Public Radio - KSTX - The Meanest, Dirtiest, Low-down Stuff'; Texas, The State Of Voter Suppression
Second Place
Chicago Public Radio/WBEZ - Chicago Police Union President Pushes Back Against Calls For Reform

Newscast
First Place
Louisville Public Media - WFPL Newscast
Second Place
KCFR - Colorado Public Radio - CPR News newscast
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Podcast
First Place
WESA - Land & Power
Second Place
WAMU - Call Your Landlord

Series
First Place
KUOW-FM - Voices of the Pandemic
Second Place
WBUR - "Dying On The Sheriff's Watch"

Short Documentary
First Place
Chicago Public Radio/WBEZ - Starting College Behind
Second Place
WLRN News - Miami And County School Board Destroyed A Black Community To Build A Whites Only School

Social Justice Feature
First Place
St. Louis Public Radio - 'I Really Thought They Were Going To Kill Somebody': Business Owners Call For Police Accountability
Second Place
Louisville Public Media - Police Drones Capture 'Beautiful And Ugly Truths' Of Louisville Protests

Sports Feature
First Place
KERA - 90.1 Dallas - Rodeos Take A Toll On Athletes; These Doctors Offer Free Care To Keep Them Healthy
Second Place
KUT 90.5 FM - Eyes of Texas History

Spot News
First Place
WBUR - 'Massive Boston Rally For Racial Justice Devolves Into Chaos'
Second Place
KERA - 90.1 Dallas - After 2 Workers Died, Dallas Meat Processing Plant Under Scrutiny For Not Closing Earlier
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Use of Sound
First Place
Chicago Public Radio/WBEZ - We The Graduates: A Commencement Speech Written By The Class of 2020
Second Place
KCUR - A Look Back At Three Weeks Of Black Lives Matter Protests In Kansas City

Writing
First Place
WBUR - "Definitely Brings Some Hope: A Snow Day In The Middle Of A Pandemic"
Second Place
WLRN News - It's A Slow Life, This Social Distancing Thing
Division A (News Staff of 8 to 15)

Arts Feature
First Place
WDET - Detroit Public Radio - A Monument to Malice Green Rises in Highland Park

Second Place
West Virginia Public Broadcasting - The Legacy Of The Upper Big Branch Disaster

Audience Engagement Program
First Place
WXXI AM - The debate over wiping out student loan debt

Second Place
America Amplified - America Amplified Election 2020 -- Your Voice Counts

Breaking News
First Place
VPM - Teargassing Incident

Second Place
The Public's Radio - Providence erupts in night of mayhem, 65 people arrested

Collaborative Effort
First Place
KNKX - Outsiders

Second Place
Nashville Public Radio - Left Without Care

Commentary
First Place
KNKX - 'Something to celebrate': One couple braces for a year to remember, in the face of uncertainty

Second Place
WUWM - Black Women & Size Stigma Essay

Continuing Coverage
First Place
The Public's Radio - Racial justice

Second Place
KNKX - School during a pandemic
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COVID-19 Feature
First Place
New Hampshire Public Radio - Pandemic Diaries: One Couple’s Story of Isolation and Love in a Nursing Home
Second Place
WFDD - NC Churches Embrace Innovation And Challenges Amid Pandemic

Enterprise
First Place
KPFA, KALW and The Intersection - Present meets Past at Burning Man
Second Place
KUNC - Ketamine In Colorado

Feature
First Place
West Virginia Public Broadcasting - Did West Virginia Inspire ‘Country Roads’? 50 Years Later, Here’s What We Know
Second Place
Indiana Public Broadcasting - Provocative Conservative Display In Goshen Becomes Microcosm For Political Tension

Interview
First Place
WUWM - Young Milwaukee Native Reflects On Death Of Ahmaud Arbery And Fight For Black Lives
Second Place

Investigative Reporting
First Place
New Hampshire Public Radio - N.H. Towns Pay Millions To Settle Claims Against Police; Details Often Hidden From Public
Second Place
Nashville Public Radio - Investigation: Black Female Police Officers In Nashville Say They Faced Retaliation For Criticizing The Department
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Long Documentary
First Place
New Hampshire Public Radio - *Outside/In: The Olive and the Pine*
Second Place
West Virginia Public Broadcasting - *Grandfamilies Of The Opioid Crisis*

Multi-Media Presentation
First Place
The Public's Radio - *The 2020 Gallery*
Second Place
Texas Standard - *Ofrenda: A Decimation Of People, A Celebration Of Life*

News Feature
First Place
KUNC - *For The West's Drinking Water, Wildfire Concerns Linger Long After Smoke Clears*
Second Place
American Homefront Project - *Far Away From Washington, Impeachment Means Little To U.S. Troops Providing Military Aid To Ukraine*

News/Public Affairs Program
First Place
KUER - *Ibram X. Kendi: How To Be An Antiracist*
Second Place
Texas Standard - *Texas Standard*

Newscast
First Place
WVXU - *Newscast: January 29, 2020*
Second Place
WFDD - *NEWSCAST MAY 19, 2020*

Podcast
First Place
KNKX - *Outsiders*
Second Place
VPM - *Resettled: Culture*
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Series
First Place
KUNC - Stolen: Stories of Art Taken, Returned and Reborn in Colorado
Second Place
KNKX - Death Investigation in Washington

Short Documentary
First Place
West Virginia Public Broadcasting - In Bluefield, City Leaders Address Broken Promise To Hold Police Accountable

Social Justice Feature
First Place
WDET - Detroit Public Radio - ‘Kneel With Us’: Four Nights In, Detroit Protestors, Police Fight For Narrative
Second Place
The Public's Radio - The protester and the police commander: How a tense standoff ended peacefully

Sports Feature
First Place
Texas Standard - The Last Days Of The Santa Maria Bullring
Second Place
WUSF - Rays Fans Hope World Series Improves Future Turnout

Spot News
First Place
WUSF - Undecided Voter Considers Choices At Trump Rally
Second Place
WFDD - One Year Later, John Neville's Death Prompts Change and Reflection

Use of Sound
First Place
KALW - Dancing Out Loud: Antoine Hunter Uses Dance To Express The Deaf Experience
Second Place
New Hampshire Public Radio - Outside/In: Cat of the Clouds
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Writing
First Place
KNKX - The true story of Tacoma's shopping mall gorilla not as rosy as Disney version
Second Place
WUSF - Iowa Democrats Will Caucus In Florida (And Lots Of Other Places)
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Division B (News Staff of 4 to 7)

Arts Feature
First Place
North Country Public Radio - *Painting to Protect the Park*
Second Place
WBHM - FM - *One Black Artist's Quest To Shake Up The Comics World*

Audience Engagement Program
First Place
WGLT - FM - *Living Black in Bloomington-Normal*
Second Place
KLCC - *The Friday Show On KLCC*

Breaking News
First Place
KUNM FM - *Protester Shot After Militiamen Raise Tensions At Oñate Monument*
Second Place
WVTF Public Radio - *Jackson Monument Removed*

Collaborative Effort
First Place
KTOO - *Breaking news coverage of deadly landslide in Haines, Alaska*
Second Place
KUNR - *KUNR Youth Media Programs 2020 Coverage*

Commentary
First Place
New England Public Radio - *Searching For Grace While Black And Blue*
Second Place
WCAI - *Restoration: One Veteran’s Search for Forgiveness*

Continuing Coverage
First Place
N-E-T Radio - *COVID-19 Pandemic Coverage*
Second Place
North Country Public Radio - *A crisis in child care*
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COVID-19 Feature
First Place
KBIA - FM - Shifting Guidance And Information Prompts Fear Among Workers At Triumph Plant
Second Place
WHRO - To Slay In The Age Of Coronavirus

Enterprise
First Place
KBIA - FM - You Don't Say
Second Place
WCAI - Toxic Ponds: The Struggle to Protect Public Health

Feature
First Place
North Country Public Radio - Returning to Auschwitz: Holocaust survivor from Plattsburgh travels back to ‘family cemetery’
Second Place
WILL - Farm Tools For Men, Redesigned By Women

Interview
First Place
WAER - Syracuse Muslim Youth Group Discusses Their Role In Protests And Local Politics
Second Place
WLVR - Norco GOP Party Chair Lee Snover says the only way Trump loses Pa. is voter fraud

Investigative Reporting
First Place
Wyoming Public Radio - Wyoming's 'Dark Money' Coal Campaign
Second Place
WKSU - FM - 10 Years After the Housing Bubble Burst, Hopeful Homeowners Deal with New Threat

Long Documentary
First Place
KBIA - FM - Show Me The State: The Fulton Flash
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Multi-Media Presentation
First Place
N-E-T Radio - COVID-19 Pandemic Coverage
Second Place
KUNR - KUNR's 2020 election coverage

News Feature
First Place
Boise State Public Radio KBSX - Where Help Is Far Away, Communities Are Taking It Upon Themselves To Tackle Suicide
Second Place
WYPR - Maryland Foster Children Stay in Hospitals Because They Have Nowhere Else To Go

News/Public Affairs Program
First Place
KUNM FM - No More Normal: The Real Crime
Second Place
Wyoming Public Radio - Open Spaces: Stories About Race

Newscast
First Place
WCAI - Newscast May 19, 2020

Podcast
First Place
KBIA - FM - Show Me The State: The Fulton Flash
Second Place
WSHU Public Radio - Everytown: The Hamptons

Series
First Place
North Country Public Radio - A child care crisis
Second Place
KBIA - FM - Missouri Health Talks
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Short Documentary
First Place
N-E-T Radio - Remote Learning in Remote Nebraska
Second Place

Social Justice Feature
First Place
North Country Public Radio - A new Black leader works to build a more diverse, inclusive Adirondacks
Second Place
KUNR - Black Lives Matter Protest In Douglas County Ends Early Due To Hostility From Counter-Protesters

Sports Feature
First Place
N-E-T Radio - High School Football Takes The Field; An Attempt At Normal During Pandemic
Second Place
Yellowstone Public Radio - Weather Hobbles Montana Skijoring Season

Spot News
First Place
WYPR - Nerves And Excitement As Voters Wait At Camden Yards
Second Place
WILL - Hundreds Protest Peacefully In Urbana, Champaign In Response To Killing Of George Floyd

Use of Sound
First Place
WGLT - FM - 911 Calls Show COVID Outbreak Unfolding In Real Time
Second Place
Wyoming Public Radio - Historic Buffalo Transfer Shows An Alternative To Yellowstone’s Annual Cull

Writing
First Place
WBHM - FM - A Visit With Santa? It’s Still Happening Despite The Pandemic
Second Place
KLCC - New Wave Of Social Justice Finds Black And Indigenous Activists United
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Division C (News Staff of 1 to 3)

Arts Feature
First Place
KAZU - Artist Brings Spanish Language Bookstore To Santa Cruz
Second Place
WYSO Public Radio - Xenia Area Community Theater Staging Ohio Premiere Of 'The Face Of Emmett Till'

Audience Engagement Program
First Place
North State Public Radio - Hunger in the Burn Scar
Second Place
WFUV - Mental Health Check-in with NAMI-NYC

Breaking News
First Place
WCMU-FM/CMU Public Radio - 500-Year Flood During a Global Pandemic
Second Place
WBGO - Former NYC Mayor David Dinkins Dies

Collaborative Effort
First Place
WFUV - Bronx Connections: 2020 Election Local Lens
Second Place
KGNU - (Un)Housed

Commentary
First Place
WYSO Public Radio - West Dayton Stories: Looking To Ancestors For Solace And Inspiration
Second Place
WUGA - FM - Athens 1918

Continuing Coverage
First Place
KAZU - Four Major Wildfires Engulf California’s Central Coast
Second Place
North State Public Radio - COVID-19 Special Coverage
COVID-19 Feature
First Place
Jefferson Public Radio - *In The Wake Of The Wildfires, Some Children Are Suffering From Extreme Stress And Anxiety*

Second Place
WKMS - *Senior Send-Off: How Murray Created A New Graduation Tradition*

Enterprise
First Place
WSCL/WSDL - *The Virus & The Undocumented*

Second Place
Jefferson Public Radio - *County Alert System Left Many Without Notifications During The Almeda Fire*

Feature
First Place
WCMU-FM/CMU Public Radio - *Sanford Residents Hope For Federal Aid After Devastating Flood*

Second Place
WYSO Public Radio - "*A Bright Light On The Corner:" Gem City Market’s Potential Goes Beyond Fresh Groceries*

Interview
First Place
WBGO - *Steve Adubato on the Passing of His Father "Big Steve"*

Second Place
WFUV - *Child of 9/11 Pens Memoir*

Investigative Reporting
First Place
WKNO - FM - *The Waiting Decade: Rape Victims Still Seek Justice*

Second Place

Long Documentary
First Place
WUFT FM - *Four Days, Five Murders*

Second Place
Siouxland Public Media KWIT-KOJI - *The Exchange: Chief Standing Bear*
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**Multi-Media Presentation**
First Place
WUFT FM - *Four Days, Five Murders*

**News Feature**
First Place
Jefferson Public Radio - *Police As Social Workers: Critics Question Officers' Role In Addressing Homelessness*
Second Place
WMUK-FM - *The Morrow Dam Drawdown Is Polluting The Kalamazoo River*

**News/Public Affairs Program**
First Place
Siouxland Public Media KWIT-KOJI - *"Going Viral: Lessons Learned During the Pandemic"*
Second Place
WBGO - *WBGO Journal 5/23/2020*

**Newscast**
First Place
Spokane Public Radio - *August 7, 8:04 am*
Second Place
WUKY - *WUKY Newscast May 19, 2020*

**Podcast**
First Place
WKMS - *Middle of Everywhere: IM GOD*
Second Place
YR Media - *Working Through My ISH / Adult ISH*

**Series**
First Place
WMUK-FM - *What Happens After the Protests*
Second Place
Alabama Public Radio - *"Pain persists ten years after the BP oil spill"*

**Short Documentary**
First Place
WKNO - FM - *The Waiting Decade: Rape Victims Still Seek Justice*
Second Place
Alabama Public Radio - *"Oil and Water: 10 Years Later"*
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Social Justice Feature
First Place
Northeast Indiana Public Radio - Sundown Towns in Indiana: How a Legacy of 'Whites-Only' Towns Rose and Continues to Affect Today
Second Place
Jefferson Public Radio - Ashland Grapples With Shooting Death Of 19-Year-Old Aidan Ellison

Sports Feature
First Place
WIUM/WIUW - FM - Special Olympians Staying Active During Pandemic
Second Place
KAZU - Celebrities Carry On Charity Tradition At The Pro-Am

Spot News
First Place
WBGO - Steven Van Zandt's TeachRock Fundraiser
Second Place
WMUK-FM - Youth Protest Calls For End to Police Violence

Use of Sound
First Place
WPSU - FM - First Night State College Ukulele Class Offers Chance To Strum In The New Year
Second Place
WBGO - "Gold Shaw Farm" Podcast Quack Up Fans

Writing
First Place
WUGA - FM - Proposed Historic District Opposed by Some
Second Place
KAZU - Businesses Reopening In California Face Red Flags, Red Tape And Red Ink
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Division D (Student)

Student Hard Feature
First Place
WLRN News - *Generation Z Tackles Racial Injustice Online - And It's Not Just For The Likes*
Second Place
KUNR - *Many Latinx Voters Say Candidates Need 'Cultural Competency'*

Student Multi-Media Presentation
First Place
WFDD - *School, Interrupted*
Second Place
WFUV - *Is COVID-19 Forcing Displacement in Low-Income Areas?*

Student Newscast
First Place
WFUV - *Chris Boccia Newscast 11-19-20*

Student Soft Feature
First Place
WFDD - *What It's Like For Us Every Day*
Second Place
North Carolina Public Radio - WUNC - *Durham Artists, Activists Call For New Ways To Police The Community*

Student Spot News
First Place
WILL - *U Of I Athletes Lead Black Lives Matter March Through Champaign*
Second Place
WKMS - *Stewart Co. Protester Says Sheriff's Office Liked Facebook Threats & Accusations Against Him*
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Independent Division

Podcast
First Place
NATAL - NATAL: Roots of the Black Birthing Crisis
Second Place
Out There - A Series of Unlikely Events
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Nationally Edited - All Divisions

Nationally Edited Feature
First Place
WILL - *Retired University Of Illinois Mascot Still Stands For Some Fans*

Second Place
KERA - 90.1 Dallas - *Texas Cities Experience Disparities In Access To The Coronavirus Testing*

Nationally Edited News Coverage
First Place
KUOW-FM - *Now what? Young Latinos struggle post-election to find their place in US*

Second Place
WUWM - *Wisconsin Election Continuing Coverage*