AJAs announces 2019 Winners

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The Atlantic Journalism Awards (AJAs) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 competition.

“Despite having to cancel the gala awards night due to Coronavirus, the AJAs’ board of directors felt it was essential to continue with the competition this year,” said Fred Hutton, chair of AJAs. “The importance of high-quality journalism has never been more apparent as journalists and media outlets work to inform Atlantic Canadians about Coronavirus, and to tell the stories that are important to us all. The AJAs celebrate the highest achievement in journalism each year and we congratulate the winners on their excellent work.”

“We are also pleased to induct three well-known journalists into the AJAs’ Hall of Fame, which recognizes journalism builders who have made a significant contribution to the profession,” said Hutton. “This year’s Hall of Fame inductees are Glen Carter, NTV News; Vernon Oickle, Bridgewater Bulletin; and David Cadogan, Miramichi Leader.”

The complete list of finalists and winners is below.

Winners have also been announced on the AJAs’ social media accounts: Facebook (@AtlanticJAwards) and Twitter (@atlanticJawards).

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And the winners are:

**Photojournalism News**

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Keith Corcoran – LighthouseNOW Progress Bulletin – Bridgewater, NS – Crash Scene Drunk Driving Arrest.

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Keith Gosse – The Telegram – St. John’s, NL – Serious moose collision.
Photojournalism Portrait/Feature

- **GOLD WINNER**

- **SILVER WINNERS**

Atlantic Magazine Article

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Ben Goldfarb – Atlantic Salmon Journal – Chamcook, NB – Too hot to handle, Summer 2019

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Stephen Kimber – Atlantic Business Magazine – St. John’s, NL – Bonavista’s Master of Flip
  Jim Gourlay – Saltscapes – Halifax, NS – A Toxic Legacy

Atlantic Magazine: Best Cover

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Content Team – Atlantic Books Today – Halifax, NS – Atlantic Books Today Edition #90

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Carolyn Green – Atlantic Business Magazine – St. John’s, NL – Top 50 CEO Awards.
  Shawn Dalton – Saltscapes – Halifax, NS – Saltscapes Cover

Atlantic Magazine: Best Profile Article

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Stephen Kimber – Atlantic Business Magazine – St. John’s, NL – We were the three beeothes.

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Jenn Thornhill Verma – Newfoundland Quarterly – St. John’s, NL – Accordian to Don.
  Anne Calder – Saltscapes – Halifax, NS – Aubrey’s story.

Breaking/Spot News Reporting: Newspaper

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Rosie Mullaley – The Telegram – St. John’s, NL – Inmate death at HMP.

- **SILVER WINNER**
  Keith Corcoran – LighthouseNOW Progress Bulletin – Bridgewater, NS – Crash Scene Drunk Driving Arrest.

Breaking News: Radio

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Fred Hutton – VOCM – St. John’s, NL – FISH-NL Raids FFAW Meeting.
Breaking News/Spot News: Television

- **GOLD WINNER**

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Équipe du Téléjournal Acadie – Radio-Canada Acadie – Moncton, NB – Couverture de la tragédie touchant la famille Barho à Halifax
  Colleen Jones – CBC Nova Scotia – Halifax, NS – Hurricane Dorian coverage

Excellence in Digital Journalism: Breaking News

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Aly Thomson – CBC NS – Halifax, NS – Hurricane Dorian coverage.

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Victoria Battcock, Earl Noble – VOCM – St. John’s, NL – Hotel Mount Pearl Destroyed by Fire.
  Alix Villeneuve – Radio-Canada Acadie – Caraquet, NB – Éoliennes à Anse-Bleue : « si j’avais su, je n’aurais pas signé »

Enterprise Reporting: Newspaper

- **GOLD WINNER**

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Ashley Fitzpatrick – The Telegram – St. John’s, NL – Muskrat Falls Inquiry.

Enterprise Reporting: Radio

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Information Morning (Christina Harnett/Portia Clark/Louise Renault) – CBC NS – Halifax, NS – CBC Information Morning

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Maggie Rahr – CBC NS – Halifax, NS – Carrie Low
  Dan Ahlstrand – News 95.7 – Halifax, NS – Hurricane Dorian Special Coverage

Enterprise Reporting: Television

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Carolyn Ray, David Laughlin – CBC NS – Halifax, NS – The Cost of Breathing

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Ariana Kelland – CBC NL – St. John’s, NL – Cops on Camera
  Ryan Cooke – CBC NL – St. John’s, NL – St. John’s panhandler stuck in cycle of court appearances he can’t remember
Excellence in Digital Journalism: Enterprise/Longform

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Lindsay Jones – Topic Magazine – Halifax, NS – Mothering Without Limits

- **SILVER WINNERS**

**Feature: Newspaper**

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Andrew Bethune – The Coast – Halifax, NS – Health care's exhausted pain reliever.

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Lindsay Jones – Freelancer Lindsay Jones for the Globe and Mail – Halifax, NS – ‘It’s up to us’: A Mi’kmaq mother’s killing drives Cape Breton community to action.  
  Juanita Mercer – The Telegram – St. John’s, NL – Remembering Rudy.

**Feature: Radio**

- **GOLD WINNER**

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Peter Gullage – CBC NL – St. John’s, NL – Crow Gulch Was Here.

**Feature: Television**

- **GOLD WINNER**

- **SILVER WINNERS**
  Jen White – CBC NL – St. John’s, NL – This Is My Story.

**Business Reporting: Any Medium**

- **GOLD WINNER**

- **SILVER WINNERS**

**Sports Reporting: Any Medium**

- **GOLD WINNER**
  Mathieu Massé – Radio-Canada Acadie – Moncton, NB – La littératie physique en diminution chez les jeunes
• **SILVER WINNERS**
  François Le Blanc – Radio-Canada Acadie – Moncton, NB – Le casse-tête de Simon
  Mark Dwyer – NTV – St. John’s, NL – On the Mark – Chasing a Dream

**Arts and Entertainment Reporting: Any Medium**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  Marjorie Simmins – Saltscapes – Halifax, NS – Rockin' the blues.

• **SILVER WINNERS**

**Commentary: Any Medium**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  El Jones – Halifax Examiner – Halifax, NS – In praise of First Girls.

• **SILVER WINNERS**
  Stephen Kimber – Halifax Examiner – Halifax, NS – Coming to terms with the Complicated legacy of Gerald Regan.

**Video Journalist: Television**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  Kelly-Anne Roberts – NTV – St. John’s, NL – Show of work.

• **SILVER WINNERS**
  Leila Beaudoin – NTV – St. John’s, NL – Show of work.

**Best Community Newspaper News Story**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  Paul Pickrem – The Valley Harvester – Kingston, NS – The Wolfville Farmers' Market: Behind the Scenes

• **SILVER WINNER**
  Keith Corcoran – LighthouseNOW Progress Bulletin – Bridgewater, NS – Cystic Fibrosis Breakthrough Therapy

**Editorial Cartooning**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  Michael de Adder - The Chronicle Herald/Brunswick News – Show of work.

**Best Information News Radio Program (Selected Program)**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  The Sheldon MacLeod Show December 11, 2019: Cracked Armor – News 95.7 – Halifax, NS.
• **SILVER WINNERS**
  VOCM News December 18, 2019: On Target St. John's Christmas Traditions – VOCM – St. John’s, NL.

**Best Radio Newscast (Selected Newscast)**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  VOCM News at Noon With Brian Madore, September 20th 2019 – VOCM – St. John’s.

• **SILVER WINNERS**
  The Afternoon News, September 10, 2019 – News 97.5 – Halifax, NS.
  Ici le midi, 16 décembre 2019 – Radio-Canada Acadie – Moncton, NB.

**Best Television News Broadcast**

• **GOLD WINNER**

• **SILVER WINNERS**
  CBC News Here & Now – October 2, 2019 – CBC NL – St. John’s, NL.

**Best Student Journalism**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  University of King's College School of Journalism (The Coast/Pictou Advocate/the Reporter) – The Signal/The Coast – Halifax, NS – Foreclosed.

• **SILVER WINNERS**
  University of King’s College School of Journalism – The Signal/Ku'ku'kwes News – Halifax, NS – Searching for the meaning of ‘moderate livelihood’.
  University of King's College School of Journalism – The Signal – Halifax, NS – Standing Still.

**The Jim MacNeill New Journalist Award**

• **GOLD WINNER**
  Malone Mullin – CBC NL – St. John’s, NL – Show of work.

• **SILVER WINNERS**
  Kelly-Anne Roberts – NTV – St. John’s, NL – Show of work.
  John Woodside – allNewfoundlandLabrador – St. John’s, NL – Show of work.

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