Here are the winners 2023 Associate Newspaper Contest

| Category | Winner | Writer or Photographer | Newspaper |
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| Graphics | 3rd Place | Randy Wrighthouse | Capital Press |
| Graphics | 2nd Place | Samuel Briggs III | Smoke Signals |
| Graphics | 1st Place | Samuel Briggs III | Smoke Signals |
| Design | 3rd Place | Matthew Vann | Seaside Signal |
| Design | 2nd Place | Justin Phillips | Smoke Signals |
| Design | 1st Place | Randy Wrighthouse | Capital Press |
| Best Editorial Column | 3rd Place | Carl Sampson | Capital Press |
| Best Editorial Column | 2nd Place | Joe Beach | Capital Press |
| Best Editorial Column | 1st Place | Editorial Board | Portland Tribune |
| Best Feature Writing | 3rd Place | Matthew Weaver | Capital Press |
| Best Feature Writing | 2nd Place | Mateusz Perkowski | Capital Press |
| Best Feature Writing | 1st Place | Sierra Dawn McClain | Capital Press |
| Best News Writing | 3rd Place | Sierra Dawn McClain | Capital Press |
| Best News Writing | 2nd Place | Danielle Harrison & Kamiah Koch | Smoke Signals |
| Best News Writing | 1st Place | Sierra Dawn McClain | Capital Press |
| Best News Photo | 3rd Place | Sierra Dawn McClain | Capital Press |
| Best News Photo | 2nd Place | Sarah Brown | Lebanon Local |
| Best News Photo | 1st Place | Timothy J. Gonzalez | Smoke Signals |
| Target Audience Publication General Excellence | 3rd Place | Staff | Lebanon Local |
| Target Audience Publication General Excellence | 2nd Place | Staff | Capital Press |
| Target Audience Publication General Excellence | 1st Place | Staff | Portland Tribune |

Congratulations to all our winners and thank you for participating in the 2023 Associate Member Publications Contest

Here are the winners of the 2023 Better Newspaper contest:

| Category | Division | Winner | Writer or Photographer | Newspaper |
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| Best Special Section or Issue | Group G | 1st Place | Staff | Malheur Enterprise |
| Best Special Section or Issue | Group F | 1st Place | Staff | Enterprise Wallowa County Chieftain |
| Best Special Section or Issue | Group E | 1st Place | Staff | Columbia Gorge News |
| Best Special Section or Issue | Group D | 1st Place | Staff | La Grande Observer |
| Best Special Section or Issue | Group B | 1st Place | Staff | The News-Review |
| | | | Chris Hansen, Adam Duvernay, | |
| Best Special Section or Issue | Group A | 1st Place | Chris Pietsch | Eugene Register-Guard |
| Best Coverage of Business or Economic Issue | Group G | 1st Place | Steven Mitchell | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |
| Best Coverage of Business or Economic Issue | Group F | 1st Place | Brit Allen | Sandy Post |
| Best Coverage of Business or Economic Issue | Group E | 1st Place | Ray Pitz | Beaverton - Tigard Times |
| Best Coverage of Business or Economic Issue | Group D | 1st Place | Mathew Brock | Newport News-Times |
| Best Coverage of Business or Economic Issue | Group B | 1st Place | John Tillman | The East Oregonian |
| Best Coverage of Business or Economic Issue | Group A | 1st Place | Mike Rogoway | The Oregonian |
| Best Editorial | Group F-G | 1st Place | Les Zaitz | Malheur Enterprise |
| Best Editorial | Group E | 1st Place | Tony Ahern | Madras Pioneer |
| Best Editorial | Group D | 1st Place | Steve Bagwell | The News-Register |
| Best Editorial | Group B | 1st Place | Andrew Cutler | The East Oregonian |
| Best Editorial | Group A | 1st Place | Helen Jung | The Oregonian |
| Best Editorial Page | Group E-G | 1st Place | Jason Chaney | The Central Oregonian |
| Best Editorial Page | Group D | 1st Place | Andrew Cutler | La Grande Observer |
| Best Editorial Page | Group A-B | 1st Place | Andrew Cutler | The East Oregonian |
| Best Educational Coverage | Group G | 1st Place | Justin Davis and Steven Mitchell | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |
| Best Educational Coverage | Group F | 1st Place | Brit Allen, Courtney Vaugh | Sandy Post |
| Best Educational Coverage | Group E | 1st Place | Mia Ryder-Marks | Lake Oswego Review |
| Best Educational Coverage | Group D | 1st Place | Dick Mason | La Grande Observer |
| Best Educational Coverage | Group B | 1st Place | Chris Bristol, Lauren Bishop | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| | | | Noelle Crombie, Beth Nakamura, | , |
| Best Educational Coverage | Group A | 1st Place | Samantha Swindler | The Oregonian |

| Best Enterprise Reporting | Group G | 1st Place | Les Zaitz, Pat Caldwell | Malheur Enterprise |
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| Best Enterprise Reporting | Group F | 1st Place | Holly Bartholomew | West Linn Tidings |
| Best Enterprise Reporting | Group E | 1st Place | Troy Shinn | Forest Grove News-Times |
| Best Enterprise Reporting | Group D | 1st Place | Paul Daquilante | The News-Register |
| Best Enterprise Reporting | Group B | 1st Place | Leslie Thompson | The Argus Observer |
| Best Enterprise Reporting | Group A | 1st Place | Staff | Bend Bulletin |
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| Best Feature Story General | Group G | 1st Place | Bennett Hall | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |
| Best Feature Story General | Group F | 1st Place | Bill Bradshaw | Enterprise Wallowa County Chieftain |
| Best Feature Story General | Group E | 1st Place | Alana Lackner | Columbia Gorge News |
| Best Feature Story General | Group D | 1st Place | Dick Mason | La Grande Observer |
| Best Feature Story General | Group B | 1st Place | John Tillman | The East Oregonian |
| Best Feature Story General | Group A | 1st Place | Douglas Perry | The Oregonian |
| | | | | |
| Best Feature Personality | Group G | 1st Place | Ron Hartman | The Chronicle |
| Best Feature Personality | Group F | 1st Place | Brit Allen | Sandy Post |
| Best Feature Personality | Group E | 1st Place | Jason Chaney | The Central Oregonian |
| Best Feature Personality | Group D | 1st Place | Andrew Cutler | La Grande Observer |
| Best Feature Personality | Group B | 1st Place | Kathleen Alaks | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best Feature Personality | Group A | 1st Place | Douglas Perry | The Oregonian |
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| Best Headline Writing | Group E-G | 1st Place | Staff | The Chronicle |
| Best Headline Writing | Group B-D | 1st Place | Scott Stoddard | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
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| Best Lifestyle Coverage | Group F-G | 1st Place | Bennett Hall | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |
| Best Lifestyle Coverage | Group E | 1st Place | Flora Gibson | Columbia Gorge News |
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| Best Lifestyle Coverage | Group D | 1st Place | Starla Pointer, Rachel Thompson | The News-Register |
| Best Lifestyle Coverage | Group B | 1st Place | Scott Stoddard | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best Lifestyle Coverage | Group A | 1st Place | Lizzy Acker | The Oregonian |
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| Best Local Column | Group F-G | 1st Place | Lyndon Zait | Keizertimes |
| Best Local Column | Group E | 1st Place | Wade Evanson | Forest Grove News-Times |
| Best Local Column | Group D | 1st Place | Kirby Neumann-Rea | The News-Register |
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| Best Local Column | Group B | 1st Place | Scott Stoddard | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
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| Best Local Column | Group A | 1st Place | Zach Urness | The Statesman-Journal |
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| Best Sports Story | Group G | 1st Place | Benny Westcott; Sarah Brown | The New Era |
| Best Sports Story | Group F | 1st Place | Andrew Dieckhoff | Wilsonville Spokesman |
| Best Sports Story | Group E | 1st Place | Anna Del Savio | Columbia County Spotlight |
| Best Sports Story | Group D | 1st Place | Jayson Jacoby | Baker City Herald |
| Best Sports Story | Group B | 1st Place | Shaun Hall | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best Sports Story | Group A | 1st Place | Edith Noriega | The Statesman-Journal |
| | | | Staff / Joey Cappelletti / Joshua | |
| Best Spot News Coverage | Group F-G | 1st Place | Manes | Keizertimes |
| Best Spot News Coverage | Group E | 1st Place | Lauren Bishop | Beaverton - Tigard Times |
| | | | Jayson Jacoby, Samantha | |
| Best Spot News Coverage | Group D | 1st Place | O'Conner | Baker City Herald |
| Best Spot News Coverage | Group B | 1st Place | Leslie Thompson | The Argus Observer |
| Best Spot News Coverage | Group A | 1st Place | Staff | Bend Bulletin |
| Best Writing | Group F-G | 1st Place | Isaac Wasserman | Malheur Enterprise |
| Best Writing | Group E | 1st Place | Jacob Bertram | Columbia Gorge News |
| Best Writing | Group D | 1st Place | Nicole Montesano | The News-Register |
| Best Writing | Group B | 1st Place | Scott Stoddard | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best Writing | Group A | 1st Place | Suzanne Roig | Bend Bulletin |
| Public Service Journalism | Open Division | 1st Place | Mike Rogoway | The Oregonian |
| Best Government Coverage | Group G | 1st Place | Steven Mitchell | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |
| Best Government Coverage | Group F | 1st Place | Holly Bartholomew | West Linn Tidings |
| Best Government Coverage | Group E | 1st Place | Troy Shinn | Forest Grove News-Times |
| Best Government Coverage | Group D | 1st Place | Kenneth Lipp | Newport News-Times |
| Best Government Coverage | Group B | 1st Place | Shaun Hall | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best Government Coverage | Group A | 1st Place | Hillary Borrud | The Oregonian |
| Best Page One Design | Group G | 1st Place | Randy Wrighthouse | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |
| Best Page One Design | Group F | 1st Place | Andy Nicolais | Enterprise Wallowa County Chieftain |

| Best Page One Design | Group E | 1st Place | Staff | Lake Oswego Review |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Best Page One Design | Group D | 1st Place | David Wray | La Grande Observer |
| Best Page One Design | Group B | 1st Place | Andy Nocolais | The East Oregonian |
| Best Page One Design | Group A | 1st Place | Staff | Eugene Register-Guard |
| | | | | |
| Best Graphics | Group B-G | 1st Place | Logan Turbes | Keizertimes |
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| Best Feature Photo | Group G | 1st Place | Bob Williams | The Chronicle |
| Best Feature Photo | Group E | 1st Place | Jacob Bertram | Columbia Gorge News |
| Best Feature Photo | Group D | 1st Place | Jeremy Burke | Newport News-Times |
| Best Feature Photo | Group B | 1st Place | Yasser Marte | The East Oregonian |
| Best Feature Photo | Group A | 1st Place | Mark Graves | The Oregonian |
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| Best News Photo | Group G | 1st Place | Scott Swanson | The New Era |
| Best News Photo | Group E | 1st Place | Mark Gibson | Columbia Gorge News |
| Best News Photo | Group D | 1st Place | Jeremy Burke | Newport News-Times |
| Best News Photo | Group B | 1st Place | Scott Stoddard | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best News Photo | Group A | 1st Place | Brian Hayes | The Statesman-Journal |
| | | | Staff, Benny Westcott, Sarah | |
| Best Photo Essay | Group F-G | 1st Place | Brown | The New Era |
| Best Photo Essay | Group E | 1st Place | Lon Austin and Jason Chaney | The Central Oregonian |
| Best Photo Essay | Group D | 1st Place | Rusty Rae | The News-Register |
| Best Photo Essay | Group B | 1st Place | Scott Stoddard, Bea Ahbeck | Grants Pass Daily Courier |
| Best Photo Essay | Group A | 1st Place | Dean Guernsey | Bend Bulletin |
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| Best Sports Photo | Group E-G | 1st Place | Lon Austin | The Central Oregonian |
| Best Sports Photo | Group D | 1st Place | Rusty Rae | The News-Register |
| Best Sports Photo | Group B | 1st Place | Kathy Aney | The East Oregonian |
| Best Sports Photo | Group A | 1st Place | Chris Pietsch | Eugene Register-Guard |
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| Best Overall Web Site | Group B-G | 1st Place | Staff | The Argus Observer |
| Best Overall Web Site | Group A | 1st Place | The Oregonian/OregonLive staff | The Oregonian |
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| Best Web Project | Group A | 1st Place | Rob Davis, Mark Friesen, Beth Nakamura | The Oregonian |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|------------------------------|
| Best Online Multimedia Element | Group E-G | 1st Place | Bobby Stevens | The Chronicle |
| Best Online Multimedia Element | Group A-B | 1st Place | SAMANTHA SWINDLER | The Oregonian |
| Best Online Coverage of Breaking News | Group A-G | 1st Place | Savannah Eadens, Franziska Klemens | The Oregonian |
| Best Story of the Year | Group G | 1st Place | Tony Chiotti | John Day Blue Mountain Eagle |

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