



**The San Francisco/Northern California Chapter of
The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences
Announces the Recipients of the 2015-16
REGIONAL STUDENT TELEVISION AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE**

The Board of Governors of the San Francisco/Northern California Chapter of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2015-16 Regional Student Television Awards for Excellence.

Entries were submitted by High Schools with media programs in the chapter's region, Visalia to the Oregon border including Reno, Nevada and Hawaii, for work done during the 2015-16 school year. The "Award for Excellence," an engraved glass pillar, is presented to the school with each student recipient receiving a certificate. The "Award for Merit" each student receives a certificate. A total of 61 entries from 14 high schools were entered.

A record 13 Pillars for Excellence 13 Certificates for Merit were awarded. **Wai'anae High School**, Wai'anae, HI, broke all records with eight Pillars and two Merit awards. The Academy of Integrated Humanities and New Media, **Tamalpais High School**, Mill Valley received three Pillars and two Merit awards. **Franklin High School**, Elk Grove and **Moanalua High School**, Honolulu, HI had a Pillar and Merit award each. **Maui High School**, Kahului, HI and **Whitney High School**, Rocklin each received three Merit awards. **Sheldon High School**, Sacramento has a Merit Award.

NATAS Education chair, **Steve Shlisky**, KTVU FOX 2, said "Each year the High School entries show a marked improvement - a testament to the high quality media programs taught in the Northern California, Hawaii and Nevada. I cannot wait to see what is in store for next year. Check with our website soon to see this year's outstanding work – www.emmysf.tv, click on students."

New this year, the Pillar recipients "Award of Excellence," will move forward to a national competition between all 19 chapters of NATAS.

The Complete list of recipients follows:

High School - Newscast

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "Searider News," Crystal Cebedo, Diamond Tuisano, Producers; Jazmine Calixtro, Sports Editor; Jaena Campos, Wainani Wetter, Reporters; Tyler Bright, Deana Goslin, Anthea Hamilton, Jazlyn Puaoi, Olivia Quismondo, Maria Rallojay, Cheralei Tokunaga-Williams, Elizabeth Ufi, Amy Vitale, Hiilani Yin, Chloe Yniguez, Reporter/Photographers; Tyler Chanthakham, Head Photographer; Mahealani Nieto Lopes, Chrisann Rabanes, Photographers; Cayla Paulo, Web; John Allen III, Advisor.

Award of Merit: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin, CA, "Unleashed," Unleashed Staff; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor.

News Story - Serious News

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "Without Home," Diamond Tuisano, Reporter; Cayla Paulo, Writer; Tyler Chanthakham, Photographer; Crystal Cebedo, Editor; John Allen III, Advisor.

Award of Merit: Maui High School, Kahului, HI, "Loud and Cheer," Sydney Green, Reporter/Writer/Photographer; June Isomura, Photographer; Kasey David, Editor; Clint Gima, Advisor.

Award of Merit: Maui High School, Kahului, HI, "No Game Plan," Zoe Whitney, Producer/Editor; Giel Tolentino, Reporter/Photographer; Sage Sodetani, Photographer; Yasha Ronquillo, Editor; Clint Gima, Advisor.

Award of Merit: Maui High School, Kahului, HI, "Taking a Tumble," Sydney Dempsey, Director; Roxanne Agtang, Writer; Shanell Pugal, Giel Tolentino, Photographers; Jada Chang, Editor; Clint Gima, Advisor.

News Story - Light News

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "On the Roll," Cayla Paulo, Writer; Tyler Chanthakham, Photographer; John Allen III, Advisor;

Award of Merit: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin, CA, "Blackberry Farms," Faith Abercrombie, Reporter; Emily Brumley, Photographer; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor.

Arts and Entertainment/Cultural Affairs

Award of Excellence: AIM/Tamalpais High School, Mill Valley, CA, "Unconventional," Linh Huynh, Mirabel Levine, Nick Smiley, Marley Townsend, Filmmakers; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors.

Award of Merit: AIM/Tamalpais High School, Mill Valley, CA, "Zio," Travis Allen, Elliot Grant, Katie Hawkins, Jackie O'Boyle, Filmmakers; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors.

Award of Merit: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin, CA, "Healing with Humor," Sydney Brandt, Reporter; Kayla Daughters, Photographer; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor.

Music Video

Award of Excellence: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI, "Music 101," Landon Mauricio, Director/Photographer/Editor/Original Score; Jordan Greene, Trevor Harris, Rizelle Lumang, Logan Mauricio, Actors; Camryn Tabiolo, Photographers; Kaye Anne Labtingao, Malia Ignacio, Jessica Kalen, Kacie Kimoto, Analyssa Camacho, Grips; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor.

Long Form - Fiction

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "That's Not It," Kamalulilani Suan-Alensonorin, Actress; Alennox Anduha, Director of Photography; Jiovanni Magofna, Camera Assistant; Aimee Nitta, Editor; Rachmaninoff Yeazus, Audio Engineer; Nakili Cachola, Gena Martin, Oliver Risi, Production Assistants; John Allen III, Advisor.

Award of Merit: AIM/Tamalpais High School, Mill Valley, CA, "The Lonely Wheel," Bennett Gates, Danil Cuffe, Trixie Bowden, Patrick Shore, Filmmakers; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors.

Award of Merit: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "The Tale of Maui," Abigail Mae Calara, Head Animator; Aukele Ching, Jamie-Ann Delos Reyes, Kayla Goss, April Joy Bucaneg, Elmarie Manuel, Daisy Monderen, Javen Towne, Jaren Ulu, Animators; John Allen III, Advisor.

Long Form - Non-Fiction

Award of Excellence: AIM/Tamalpais High School, Mill Valley, CA, "Tiny Houses," Emma Schnee, Eliza Ross, Addy Ball, Filmmakers; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors.

Award of Merit: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "Push to the Max," Diamond Tuisano, Producer/Writer; Tyler Chanthakham, Photographer/Editor; John Allen III, Advisor.

Sports

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "Parental Guidance," Jazmine Calixtro, Reporter; Chrisann Rabanes, Writer; Jaena Campos, Photographer; Mahealani Nieto-Lopes, Editor; John Allen III, Advisor.

Public Service Announcement (PSA)

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "Ask Siri," Taylor Gabriel, Producer; Shanna Nansen, Director; Jeffrey Jones, Actor; Jaylin Pacheco, Wardrobe; Ivy Wilson, Prop Design; John Allen III, Advisor.

Public Affairs/Community Service

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "Waianae Strong," Aimee Nitta, Producer/Editor; Rachmaninoff Yeazus, Director; Nakili Cachola, Director of Photography; Alennox Anduha, Jiovanni Magofna, Gena Martin, Kamalulilani Suan-Alensonorin, Camera Assistants; John Allen III, Advisor.

Animation/Graphics/Special Effects

Award of Excellence: Searider Productions Wai'anae High School, Wai'anae, HI, "The Tale of Maui," Abigail Calara, Head Animator; Aukele Ching, April Joy Bucaneg, Daisy Monderen, Jamie Ann Delos Reyes, Elmarie Manuel, Kayla Goss, Javen Towne, Jaren Ulu, Animators; John Allen III, Advisor.

Award of Merit: Franklin High School, Elk Grove, CA, "Rising Up," Brenda Vang, Animator; Brad Clark, Advisor.

Award of Merit: Sheldon High School K9 Studios, Sacramento, CA, "Shoe Wars," Austin Jenkins, Head of 3D; Mark Hamel, Shelby Misasi, David Nonamaker, 3D Modelers; Brandon Jedlowski, Hieu Le, Adrian Ridgeway, Brock Welch, Makena Bajar, Coyanne Cocoa Granderson, Sylvia Guerra, Animator; Don Nguyen, Animators; Shawn Sullivam, Advisor.

Photography

Award of Excellence: Franklin High School, Elk Grove, CA, “Adrian Espinoza Reel,”
Adrian Espinoza, Cinematography; Brad Clark, Advisor.

Writing

Award of Excellence: AIM/Tamalpais High School, Mill Valley, CA, “Unbroken,”
Kaleigh Fae Jones, Writer; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors;

Award of Merit: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI, “Concrete Jungle,”
Camryn Tabiolo, Writer; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor.

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