



The San Francisco/Northern California Chapter of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Announces the Recipients of the 2022-2023 REGIONAL STUDENT PRODUCTION 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 2022-2023 Regional Student Television Production 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 2022-2023 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" is presented to each student in the form of a certificate. A total of 178 entries were received from 19 high schools.

11 Pillars for Excellence and 29 Certificates for Merit are being awarded.

"Our regional student production award-winners represent future broadcast journalists, filmmakers and entertainers, and our goal is to recognize their efforts and encourage their pursuit of excellence," said chapter Education Chair **Toby Momtaz**. "Once again, we express our gratitude for the third year in a row, as a generous couple has made a substantial donation to cover all the expenses of the contest."

Six high schools will receive Pillars of Excellence, **Buchanan High School**, Clovis; **Franklin High School**, Elk Grove; **Granite Bay High School**, Granite Bay; **Gunn High School**, Palo Alto; **Moanalua High School**, Honolulu, HI; and **Wai'anae High School** Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI.

Certificates of Merit also going to 11 high schools: **Abraham Lincoln High School**, San Jose; **Buchanan High School**, Clovis; **El Diamante High School**, Visalia; **Franklin High School**, Elk Grove; **Granite Bay High School**, Granite Bay; **Moanalua High School**, Honolulu, HI; **Palo Alto High School**, Palo Alto; **Redwood High School**, Visalia; **Tamalpais High School**, Academy of Integrated Humanities and New Media (AIM), Mill Valley; **Wai'anae High School** Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; and **Whitney High School** WCTV19, Rocklin.

The "Award of Excellence" Pillar recipients will move forward to a national competition between all 19 chapters of NATAS. National recipients will be announced in the Fall of 2023.

The Complete list of recipients follows:

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PROGRAMMING CATEGORIES

Newscast

EXCELLENCE: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "BNN 2023"

Jillian Leslie, Producer; Taylor Brunzell, Megan Hoopes, Anchors; Bono Bioco, Russell Bowman, Jacob Menz, Hayden Stockdale, Nathan Gettman, Editor/Camera Operators; Adam Smart, Makayla Wyckoff, Editors; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Wai'anae High School Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; "Searider News"

Denise Cabrera, Terrysa Uyeno, Producers; Dillon Catlett, Angela Dupa, Coco Palmer, Anchor; Lexie Kia Cox, Natasha Maafala, Haylee Silva, Avanoa Tillis, Terryann Uyen, Reporters' John Allen, Advisor

MERIT: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin; "Unleashed 1.25.23"

Julianna Hertzell, News Director; Noah Reed, Carly Saunders, Sports Producers; Matthew Marengo, Tyler Williams, Production Managers; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor

News Report - Serious News

EXCELLENCE: Wai'anae High School Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; "A Wave Goodbye" **Denise Cabrera, Dillon Catlett, Avanoa Tillis, Terrysa Uyeno**, Producers; **John Allen**, Advisor

Report - Light News

EXCELLENCE: Wai'anae High School Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; "Girls Lockers"

Coco Palmer, Reporter; Terryan Uyeno, Photographer; John Allen, Advisor

MERIT: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin; "Trying to Survive"

Nayeli Glaude, Reporter; Simone Dsouza, Photographer; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor

Video Essay

EXCELLENCE: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Coffee Cave"

Taylor Brunzell, Director; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Where Ice Cream and Community Meet"

Grace Persons, Producer; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

Non-Fiction - Short Form

MERIT: Abraham Lincoln High School, San Jose; "Art"

Clarissa Hill, Director; Daniel Resz, Advisor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Bear Spotlight - The Pianist"

Levi Hull, Photographer/Editor; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Wai'anae High School Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; "Institutional Bias"

Denise Cabrera, Reporter; Terrysa Uyeno, Photographer/Editor; John Allen, Advisor

Public Affairs/Community Service

EXCELLENCE: Gunn High School, Palo Alto; "Querido Mexico"

Pablo Schettino, Producer/Writer/Cinematographer/Editor; Edward Corpuz, Advisor

MERIT: Tamalpais High School, Academy of Integrated Humanities and New Media (AIM), Mill Valley; "In My Neighborhood"

Shaina Mandala, Zach Pollack, James Soenens, Filmmakers; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors

Arts and Entertainment/Cultural Affairs

MERIT: Tamalpais High School, Academy of Integrated Humanities and New Media (AIM), Mill Valley; "Forgotten Generations"

Teresa Knight, Hanlon Lee, Emily Osborn, Grace Whitty, Filmmakers; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors

Music Video

EXCELLENCE: Granite Bay High School, Granite Bay; "Take on Me"

Alex Carevic, Producer/Director; Sean Medvecki, Animation; Zachary Weidkamp, Teacher

MERIT: El Diamante High School, Visalia; "CAKE - Never There"

Isabella Saenz, Producer; **Lauren Crawford**, Director/Writer; **Sebastian Calvanese-Carter**, Writer,/Storyboard Artist; **Leandra Calvanese**, Cinematographer; **Thomas Martinez**, Editor;

Josslyn Caskey, Art Director; Dulce Ibarra-Martinez, Graphic Artist; Johannon Garcia, Sound Mixer;

Ellie Hebeert, Advisor

MERIT: Granite Bay High School, Granite Bay; "Writer's Block"

Zachary Weidkamp, Advisor

Fiction - Short Form

EXCELLENCE: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI; "Walt's First Birthday"

Christopher Santiago, Director; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor

MERIT: Wai'anae High School Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; "Breaking The Surface"

Rei Vasquez, Kaylah Kelly Weiss, Producers; ohn Allen, Advisor

MERIT: Wai'anae High School Searider Productions, Wai'anae, HI; "My Voice"

Kiana Eli, Franchelle May Gudoy, Producers; John Allen, Advisor

Sports Story or Segment

EXCELLENCE: Gunn High School, Palo Alto; "Skateboarding with Lara Botto"

Joshua Scheinman, Producer/Writer/Cinematographer/Editor; **Pablo Schettino:**, Cinematographer; **Edward Corpuz**, Teacher

MERIT: Redwood High School, Visalia; "Cowhide 67"

Nikko Gutierrez, Director/Editor; Grace Hyatt, Sports Reporter; Eddie Carino, Natalie McDonnell, Gabe

Alaniz, Videographers; Jacob Perch, Assistant Editor; William Henshaw, Advisor

MERIT: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin; "Wrestling more than his opponent"

Carly Saunders, Reporter; Kylin Paydock, Photographer; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor

Public Service Announcement (PSA)

MERIT: Franklin High School, Elk Grove; "F.O.G."

Miranda Gong, Writer/Animator; Brad Clark, Advisor

MERIT: Palo Alto High School, Palo Alto; "Dear Trees"

Morgan Greenlaw, Producer/Writer/Cinematographer/Editor; Edward Corpuz, Advisor

Commercial

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "The Healthy Vibe Commercial"

Noreen Marquez, Jillian Leslie, Producers; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Sprinkles Donuts commercial"

Luke D'Mello, Producer; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

CRAFT CATEGORIES

Animation/Graphics/Special Effects

EXCELLENCE: Franklin High School, Elk Grove; "Neo Heart"

Owen Winters, Dinil Wijetunga, Animators; Brad Clark, Advisor

Audio/Sound

EXCELLENCE: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Purgatory"

Taylor Brunzell, Sound Designer; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "John - Shortfilm"

Bono Bioco, Audio / Sound; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

Director

MERIT: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI; "Walt's First Birthday"

Christopher Santiago, Director; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor

Editor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Purgatory"

Taylor Brunzell, Editor; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI; "Walt's First Birthday"

Christopher Santiago, Editor; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor

Photographer

EXCELLENCE: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI; "Walt's First Birthday"

Christopher Santiago, Photographer; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "Excalibur - Breast Cancer Warrior"

Braden Estes, Director of Photography; Levi Hull, Camera Operator; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

MERIT: Buchanan High School, Clovis; "John - Shortfilm"

Bono Bioco, Hayden Stockdale, Photographers; Daniel Pearce, Advisor

Talent - News or Sports

MERIT: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin; "Talent Reel Makena Locsin"

Makena Locsin, Talent; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor

MERIT: Whitney High School WCTV19, Rocklin; "Anchor Reel Tyler Williams"

Tyler Williams, Talent; Ben Barnholdt, Advisor

Writer

MERIT: Moanalua High School, Honolulu, HI; "Walt's First Birthday"

Christopher Santiago, Writer; Mark Ikenaga, Advisor

MERIT: Tamalpais High School, Academy of Integrated Humanities and New Media (AIM), Mill Valley; "Where

I'm From by Mira Klein"

Mira Klein, Writer; Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors

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