



## **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

### **News 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"

**Amee Van**, Producer; **Zachary Weidkamp**, Advisor

### Fiction - Short Form

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

**Christopher Santiago**, Producer; **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; “Neon 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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