

# VIRTUAL AWARDS CEREMONY FEBRUARY 24, 2022

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# CONGRATS!

#### **TO ALL CYNOPSIS BEST OF THE BEST AWARD WINNERS**

# INCLUDING OUR OWN TEAM!

#### WINNER OF

**Best Ad Tech Solution** 





# Welcome to the 2022 Best of the Best and Rising Star Awards Program!

We are delighted to be celebrating your accomplishments over the past year—especially considering how challenging a year it was for so many. You deserve the praise, the spotlight, and the chance for you and your team to be honored.

Today we are presenting accolades to the Best of the Best in national TV programming, marketing campaigns, people, tech, and more. Also being recognized are the Rising Stars of our industry: stand-out performers, innovators and emerging leaders in the media space — 35 years old or younger – who have the passion, talent and creativity to take the industry to new heights. We thank you for being the change agents and inspirational voices who are carving new pathways.

What was evident to us, as we read your entries, was the effort that comprised the campaigns and content you put forward. It reminded me of a quote from Stephen King: "What separates the talented individual from the successful one is a lot of hard work."

Whether you're a winner or honorable mention, this is a group that has put in a lot of hard work. We look forward to cheering you on as you continue to excel in 2022 and beyond. Well done!

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Robbie Caploe VP, Group Publisher Cynopsis Media

# GREAT GREAT HONORS

Velocity congratulates our very own Ashley Ako, Emily Burke, Katie Franc, Jordan Levy and Brittany McKinnon and all the Rising Star honorees. You never cease to amaze.







# **2022 RISING STAR HONOREES**



**Ashley Ako** Paramount, Velocity



Natalie Beach TLC



Danielle Bonnett New York Jets



Seth Bradley New York Jets



**Chris Brady** WarnerMedia



**Emily Burke** Paramount, Velocity



**Colleen Cahill** Fox Corporation



Natalie Camarda Paramount



**Meei Chai** Wavemaker



Daniel Church Beachfront Media



Lindsey Colven Horizon Media



Brian Cook Horizon Media



Renee Credendino Fox News Media



**Gina Cucci** Paramount



Padmini Dey Wavemaker



Marie Dilemani MSNBC



Erin Durbin Paramount



Sam Edmiston Scout Sports and Entertainment



Katie Franc Paramount, Velocity



Stephanie Gaynor Mindshare



# **2022 RISING STAR HONOREES**



**Joe Gerbino** MTV Entertainment Group



Brandon Gomez CNBC



Kathryn Green Effectv



Kerri Hayes UP Entertainment



Lacey Heggem WarnerMedia



Antonia Hylton NBC News & MSNBC



Megan Jones Horizon Media



**Shaina Rae Julian** Crown Media Family Networks



Breena Kelly Horizon Media



**Jordan Levy** Paramount, Velocity



Brad May Reach Agency



Sydni McCutchen CSM Sport & Entertainment



Anna McDonald MTV Entertainment Group



Robert McDougall UP Entertainment



Kirsten McKenna WarnerMedia



Brittany McKinnon Paramount, Velocity



**Gina Meza** Crown Media Family Networks



Alana Milazzo Horizon Media



**Tania Paul** Horizon Media



**Ricardo Perez-Selsky** FOX Sports



# **2022 RISING STAR HONOREES**



Kirsten Polley WWE



Ashley Robinson TLC



Sahar Saleem PepsiCo



**Tom Scheuer** Horizon Media



Jill Schulz Dotdash.



Meredith Porscha Scott Wavemaker



Marisa Silversmith Fox Corporation



**TJ Smith** Tubi



Dan Szpakowski New York Jets



Aisha Ude Xandr



Danielle Wager MTV Entertainment Group



Stephanie Wiernik ENGINE



Allison Wolfe TLC



**Jiachuan Wu** NBC News Digital



Laura Wu Beachfront Media



**Kimmy Yam** NBC Asian America



Shanique Yates UP Entertainment



Saif Zureikat Google



# **NEW & NOTEWORTHY**

#### BEST ADVENTURE REALITY SERIES/SPECIAL

The Great Food Truck Race Food Network

#### **BEST APP FOR KIDS**

HappyKids Future Today

BEST AVOD SERVICES Crackle Plus

BEST AWARENESS CAMPAIGN: CHILDREN-FOCUSED

Nick Stands - Vision Board for America Nickelodeon

BEST BRANDED INTEGRATION FOR DIGITAL PLATFORM

> NHL & KHL on Portable.TV T&R Productions

#### BEST BUSINESS/FINANCE-BASED REALITY SERIES/SPECIAL

Money Court CNBC

#### BEST COMPETITION-BASED REALITY SERIES FEATURING KIDS

Kids Baking Championship Food Network

#### BEST COVID AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Wavemaker x DoorDash Open For Delivery Wavemaker

#### BEST DIRECT-TO-CONSUMER CAMPAIGN

**Top Gear America on MotorTrend** MotorTrend Group

#### BEST FAMILY-FOCUSED REALITY SERIES/SPECIAL

Jay Leno's Garage CNBC

#### **BEST GEN Z SERIES**

**MTV's Following: Bretman Rock** MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount

BEST MULTIPLATFORM BRANDED CAMPAIGN

> MLB at Field of Dreams presented by GEICO

Scout Sports and Entertainment

BEST MULTIPLATFORM CAMPAIGN FOR A CONSUMER PRODUCT

Anheuser-Busch Throwback NBA Can Launch - Battle of the Cans Scout Sports and Entertainment

#### BEST PROGRAMMING COMPANION APP

Nickelodeon's Screens Up App Nickelodeon

#### **BEST SOCIAL GOOD PARTNERSHIP**

ATTN: x TikTok For Good ATTN:/TikTok

#### **BEST SOCIAL GOOD SERIES**

Mastercard Five R&CPMK



# **NEW & NOTEWORTHY**

#### BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

THE CROWN ACT, Dove and JOY Collective Joy Collective

#### BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE DOCUMENTARY SERIES

**Growing Up Black** MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount

#### BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE PROGRAMMING

Forgotten Genocides: The Sin of Silence RT AMERICA

#### BEST SPORTS-RELATED DOCUMENTARY SPECIAL

Big House, The Pearl, and The Triumph of Winston-Salem State CBS Sports

#### **BEST SVOD SERVICES**

UP Faith & Family UP Entertainment

#### **BEST TIK TOK CAMPAIGN**

**Trending: VMAs** MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount

#### BEST TRUE CRIME REALITY SERIES/ SPECIAL

Super Heists CNBC

#### COMPANY WITH THE BEST WORK-FROM-HOME STRATEGY

Work From Anywhere NVE Experience Agency



#### CONTENT

#### BEST BROADCAST-FROM-HOME PROGRAMMING/ SPECIAL

- » Camp TV, The WNET Group
- » Season 4 of Cetting Younger Your Younger After Show, Paramount
- » The Lockdown Awards, LiveXLive

#### **BEST CHEF-BASED FOOD REALITY SERIES/SPECIAL**

- » Barefoot Contessa: Modern Comfort Food, Food Network
- » Delicious Miss Brown, Food Network
- » Girl Meets Farm, Food Network
- » The Kitchen, Food Network
- » The Pioneer Woman, Food Network

#### BEST COMPETITION-BASED REALITY SERIES/SPECIAL

- » BBQ Brawl, Food Network
- » Beat Bobby Flay, Food Network
- » Guy's Grocery Games, Food Network
- » The Pit Stop (RuPaul's Drag Race Season 13 + All Stars 6), MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount
- » Worst Cooks in America, Food Network

#### BEST COVID-RELATED PROGRAMMING

- » Restaurant Hustle 2020: All on the Line, Food Network
- » Roll Up Your Sleeves Presented by Walgreens, Produced by ATTN: and NBC, ATTN:
- » SiriusXM and NYU Langone Health "Doctor Radio Reports: Coronavirus", SiriusXM
- » Verywell COVID-19 Vaccine Sentiment Tracker, Dotdash.Meredith

#### BEST FOOD REALITY SERIES/ SPECIAL

- » Bobby and Giada in Italy, discovery+
- » Cocktails and Tall Tales With Ina Garten and Melissa McCarthy, discovery+
- » Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives, Food Network
- » Luda Can't Cook, discovery+
- » Well Done with Sebastian Maniscalco, discovery+

#### BEST HOLIDAY/STUNT PROGRAMMING

- » Chocolate Meltdown: Hershey's After Dark, Food Network
- » Halloween Baking Championship, Food Network
- » Halloween Wars, Food Network
- » RuPaul's Drag Race LGBTQ Herstory Month, Paramount
- » You'll Be Home For Christmas, Glass Entertainment Group and Crybaby Media

#### BEST LIFESTYLE REALITY SERIES

- » MTV's Lifestyles of the Biggest Standoms, Paramount
- » Out of the Closet (Season 4), MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount
- » Sparking Joy with Marie Kondo, Netflix

#### BEST NATURE DOCUMENTARY SERIES/SPECIAL

- » Botswana: The Last Wildlife Paradise, Family Central Explorer, CONDISTA
- » Fear on the Savannah, Family Central Explorer, CONDISTA
- » Return of the Wolves, Family Central Explorer, CONDISTA



#### **BEST PODCAST**

- » Art Bust: Scandalous Stories of the Art World, Universal Studio Group
- » Artifactual, 1895 Films
- » Close to Death, USG Audio a division of Universal Studio Group
- » Do You Know Mordechai?, Universal Studio Group
- » The Followers: Madness of Two, Universal Studio Group

#### **BEST PRESCHOOL SERIES**

- » Blue's Clues & You, 9 Story Media Group
- » Ryan's Mystery Playdate, pocket.watch and Sunlight Entertainment
- » The Day Henry Met on Kids Street, CONDISTA
- » Wissper on Kids Street, CONDISTA
- » Word Party, The Jim Henson Company

#### **BEST SERIES FOR KIDS 5-11**

- » Bobby & Bill on Kids Street, CONDISTA
- » Club Mundo Kids, Exile Content Studio
- » Impossible Science, WonderFirst and Sony Pictures Television
- » NBC Nightly News: Kids Edition, NBC News
- » Ryan's Mystery Playdate, pocket.watch and Sunlight Entertainment

#### BEST SHORT FORM CONTENT (5-15 MINUTES)

- » A Face For Her People, CBS Sports
- » Byrdie Crowned, Dotdash.Meredith
- » Meaning in Music, Paramount
- » RuPaul's Drag Race S13 Live Finale Reaction, Paramount
- » **Younger: Written on Water,** Paramount

#### BEST SHORT FORM CONTENT (UP TO 5 MINUTES)

- » Fix Me a Plate, Food Network Digital
- » Nation's Oldest Park Ranger Remembers World War II Heroines, AccuWeather TV Network
- » Reaching Beyond Basketball, CBS Sports
- » The Juneteenth Menu, Food Network Digital
- » VMAnimation, MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount

#### BEST SOCIAL JUSTICE DOCUMENTARY SPECIAL

- » 144, ESPN Films/ESPN
- » Forgotten Genocides: The Sin of Silence, RT AMERICA
- » With One Voice: Fighting Hatred Together, Produced by ATTN: and MTV, ATTN:

#### BEST SPORTS-RELATED DOCUMENTARY SERIES

- #EmpowHER New York Jets High School Girls Flag Football Docuseries, New York Jets
- » In the Current, Tampa Bay Buccaneers
- » One Jets Drive Season 4, New York Jets



#### MARKETING

#### **BEST AD TECH SOLUTION**

- » Beachfront
- » Gamut
- » Innovid
- » Premion
- » Xandr Curate

#### BEST BRANDED CAMPAIGN FOR BROADCAST/CABLE TV

- » 2021 Kids' Choice Awards, Nickelodeon
- » Family Central Explorer Re-Brand, CONDISTA
- » Love It Like the First Time, beIN Sports
- » Tunnel to Towers Memorial Day Special, Fox News Media
- » Visible, R&CPMK

#### BEST BRANDED CAMPAIGN FOR DIGITAL PLATFORM

- » **CW WALKER: The Real Texas Rangers**, Fox News Media
- » NHL Campaign on Portable., TVT&R Productions
- » **#OldtheMovie Influencer Campaign**, Universal Pictures/Open Influence
- Tanqueray Sevilla Orange x Joe Jonas -'Today's Forecast: Sunshine in a Glass', NVE Experience Agency

#### BEST BRANDED INTEGRATION FOR BROADCAST/CABLE TV

- » "Christmas in Evergreen" Nestle Tollhouse Integration, R&CPMK
- » Love It Like the First Time, beIN Sports
- » Tunnel to Towers Memorial Day Special, Fox News Media

#### BEST DIVERSITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

- » **Convos with CEOs**, TARGET/ YouTube / Open Influence
- » Hulu x ATTN: Mom and Pop Stories, ATTN:
- » LGBTQ Vignettes, CBS Sports
- » Nick Stands Vision Board for America, Nickelodeon
- » Onyx Family Dinner, Pocket.Watch

#### BEST MARKETING CAMPAIGN FOR A TV SERIES, SPECIAL OR MOVIE

- » 2021 Kids' Choice Awards, Nickelodeon
- » AHS Night Bites Bakery, NVE Experience Agency/FX
- » Countdown to Christmas, Hallmark Channel/Crown Media Family Networks
- » Ultimate Cowboy Showdown Season 2, INSP
- » VH1's RuPaul's Drag Race Season 13, Paramount

#### BEST SOCIAL GOOD AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

- » FlyQuest Creates MeQuest to Build Positive Mental Health Habits, FlyQuest
- » Kid of the Year Campaign, Nickelodeon
- » **Stand-Up for Your Mental Health,** Comedy Central/MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount



#### BEST SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

- » 2021 Kids' Choice Awards, Nickelodeon
- » Countdown to Christmas
- » Hallmark Channel/Crown Media Family Networks, NBA's First-Ever Creator House
- » NVE Experience Agency/NBA, RuPaul's Drag Race All Stars 6- Queen RuVeal, Paramount
- » Wild 'N Out, Paramount

#### BEST USE OF VIDEO/SOCIAL PROMOTION

- » 2021 Kids' Choice Awards, Nickelodeon
- » JoJo Siwa: Over the RainBOW at Walmart, Paramount
- » Tanqueray Sevilla Orange x Joe Jonas -'Today's Forecast: Sunshine in a Glass', NVE Experience Agency
- » **The Challenge x Cameo Campaign,** Paramount
- » The Real World Opening Credits Generator, 8908 Paramount

#### PEOPLE

#### BEST DIVERSITY & INCLUSION PRACTICES

- » AccuWeather Inclusive Journalism Taskforce, AccuWeather TV Network
- » **MTV's Following: Bretman Rock,** MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount
- » NBCU News Group Coffee Chats, NBCU News Group
- » Wavemaker's Ildi Conrad for Best Diversity & Inclusion Practices, Wavemaker

#### BEST TV/VIDEO HOST FOR COMPETITION-BASED REALITY SERIES

- » Alex Guarnaschelli, Food Network
- » Anne Burrell and Carla Hall, Food Network
- » Bobby Flay, Food Network
- » Guy Fieri, Food Network
- » Trixie Mattel (RuPaul's Drag Race The Pit Stop Season 13 + All Stars 6), Paramount

#### BEST TV/VIDEO HOST FOR HOLIDAY/STUNT/SPECIAL

- » Devyn Simone: The Challenge Aftermath Live, Paramount
- » Eddie Jackson and Ree Drummond, Food Network
- » Hanna Dickinson: Stand-Up for Your Mental Health, Comedy Central/MTV Entertainment Group, Paramount
- » Jeff Ross, LiveXLive
- » Sunny Anderson, Food Network

# BEST USE OF AN INFLUENCER

- » Convos with CEOs, TARGET/ YouTube / Open Influence
- » **IKEA's Four Weeks of Wonder**, Wavemaker
- » Love, Diana, pocket.watch
- » Spring Shopper Program, Nickelodeon/ Paramount
- » Under the Influence of Sven Johnson, Comedy Central, Paramount

# **CYNOPSISMEDIA**

We invite you to join us at our events and awards ceremonies taking place throughout the year, to learn from and celebrate industry insiders paving the way in media, sports and esports.

PROGRAM	DATE	LOCATION
Best of the Best Awards	February 24, 2022	Virtual
OTT Virtual Conference	March 8, 2022	Virtual
Finally: End-to-End Media Workflow Solutions Debunked!	March 24, 2022	Virtual
Sports Media Awards	April 19, 2022	The New York Athletic Club
Esports Newfronts	May 4, 2022	Virtual
Esports CMO Summit	May 24, 2022	Virtual
Measurement and Data Conference	June 7, 2022	Edison Ballroom, New York City
Big TV Conference	September 29, 2022	Edison Ballroom, New York City
Top Women in Media Awards	October 11, 2022	Tribeca 360
Esports Business Summit	November 1, 2022	MGM Grand, Las Vegas
Tempest Awards	November 2, 2022	MGM Grand, Las Vegas
Digital Model D + It List	TBC November	New York City
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