

The Associated Press Television-Radio Association announces the winners of its 2014 awards for excellence in broadcast journalism.

Denver’s KUSA-TV, 9 News wins the award for Television Station of the Year.

Seattle’s KOMO News Radio wins the award for Radio Station of the Year.

"The APTRA Awards represent the highest standards of broadcast journalism in the western 13 state region APTRA represents," said Coordinator Henry Mulak. "This year the APTRA Awards were more competitive than they have been in the past thanks to an increase in the numbers of entries, both on the individual and station level. "

Charlie Harger of KOMO, Seattle, Lance Orozco of KCLU, Ventura, Chris Daniels of KING, Seattle and Blake Essig of KTUU, Anchorage won awards for best reporter.

The APTRA Awards were judged by AP-member broadcasters in New York, Chicago, Florida and Texas.

Here’s a spread sheet with the complete list of winners in each category:

Circ Group(s)	Category Name	Award	Organization	Open Call Contestant	City	Entry Title	Credits
Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Spot News Story	First Place	KUSA		Denver	Ryan Stone: Kidnapping, Carjackings and a Chase	Staff
Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Best News Broadcast	First Place	KCLU	Lance Orozco	Thousand Oaks	"KCLU Morning News With Jim Rondeau"	Jim Rondeau

Television Class 1- Markets 1-50	Best Use of Social Media	First Place	KUSA	Denver	9NEWS Everywhere	Misty Montano, Megan Morris, Amanda Kesting, Blair Shiff
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Television Class 1- Markets 1-50	Best Assignment Team/Live Breaking News	First Place	KUSA	Denver	Ryan Stone Car Chase	Kris Mulholland, Paris Elliott, Kelly Sommariva
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Television Class 1- Markets 1-50	Rachel Ambrose Best News Website	First Place	KUSA	Denver	9NEWS.com - Colorado's news leader	Blair Shiff, Raquel Villanueva, Robert Garrison, Linda Kotsaftis, Allison Sylte
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Television Class 1- Markets 1-50	Best Live Coverage of a News Event	First Place	KUSA	Denver	Pilot Crashes Into His Former Home	Mark Koebrich, Kim Christiansen, Jennifer Marnowski, Bob Pusatory, Adele Arakawa
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Television	Best				5PM Newscast		
Class 2-	Anchor	Firs			October 30,		
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51+	Anchor	Plac		Kenne	Uretsky-		Kevin
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Radio		Firs					
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Radio	Best Use						
Class 1-	of	Firs					
Markets 1-	Sound-	t		San			
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	News	e	KCBSR	co	Free Speech		Doug Sovern

	Best Live	Firs		Lance		"Santa Paula	
	Coverag	t	KCLU	Orozco	Thousa	Fire"	Lance
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Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Radio Reporter of the Year	Firs t Plac e	KCLU	Lance Orozco	Thousa nd Oaks	"KCLU News With Lance Orozco"	Lance Orozco

			Californi a State Universi ty,			Tabletop Exercise: University prepares for active shooter situation.	
Student TV	Best General News (Student )	Firs t Plac e	Fresno & Comcas t Cable	Faith Soares Wilson	Fresno		Megan Rupe

Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Best News Writing	Firs t Plac e	KCLU	Lance Orozco	Thousa nd Oaks	"50 Years Of Beatledom"	Lance Orozco
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Television Class 1- Markets 1-	Best Produce r	Firs t Plac e	KUSA		Denver	July 23, 2014: A wild car chase & a big change for the Broncos	Will Swope
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Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Rachel Ambrose Best News Website	Firs t Plac e	KOLD	Marana	Tucsonnewsno w.com	Michelle Germano,Sean Fitzpatrick,John Ames,Jackie Kent
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Student Radio	Best Feature (Student )	Firs t Plac e	California a State Universi ty, Fresno & Comcas t Cable	Faith Soares Wilson	Fresno	California Drought Impact: Running out of Water	Martin Vargas
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Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50, Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Anchor or Anchor Team	Firs t Plac e	KCBSR	San Francis co	Stan Bunger and Susan L. Taylor - KCBS Morning Anchor Team	Stan Bunger,Susan L. Taylor
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Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best News Writing	Firs t Plac e	KGUN	Liz Kotalik	Tucson	Internet Hoax Envelops Mammoth	Liz Kotalik
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Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Use of Social Media	Firs t Plac e	KPCC		Pasade na	KPCC's Social Media Platforms	Staff
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Pat Davis Radio Reporter of the Year	Firs t Plac e	KOMOR			Charlie Harger	Charlie Harger
Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Spot News Story	Firs t Plac e	KCLU	Lance Orozco	Thousa nd Oaks	"Swept Into The Sea"	Lance Orozco
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50, Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Bill Stout Memori al Award for Excellen ce in Station Spot News	Firs t Plac e	KFBK		Sacram ento	Sacramento Area Crime Spree/Officer Involved Shooting	Amy Lewis & Mike Haggerty, Mike Simpson & Tim Lantz, KFBK Reporters & KFBK Producers, The KFBK NewsTeam , Mike Murray
Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Anchor or Anchor	Firs t Plac e	KUSA		Denver	Ryan Stone	Mark Koebrich, Kim Christiansen

Team

Television Class 1- Markets 1-50  
 Best Light Feature  
 First Place  
 KMXB  
 Bandidos Indomables/Untamable Bandits  
 Oswaldo Borraez,Andres Pruna,Arturo Quezada

Television Class 2- Markets 51+  
 Best Spot News Story  
 First Place  
 KGMB  
 Honolulu  
 Hurricane Iselle  
 Hawaii News Now Staff

Television Class 2- Markets 51+  
 Best Evening News Broadcast  
 First Place  
 KGMB  
 Honolulu  
 Hawaii News Now 5pm: Deadly Plane Crash  
 Scott Humber,Mark Platte,Anthony Ferreira,Brenda Salgado,Andy Sugg

Television Class 1- Markets 1-50  
 Chris Harris Reporter of the Year Award  
 First Place  
 KING TV  
 Chris Daniels  
 Seattle  
 Chris Daniels Reports  
 Chris Daniels

Television Class 1- Markets 1-50  
 Best Evening News Broadcast  
 First Place  
 KTVU  
 Oakland  
 The Ten O'Clock News  
 Darren Zulberti,Michael Kelly,Frank Somerville,Heather Holmes,Clarke Dempsey

Television  
 Best News Promo  
 First Place  
 KXRM  
 We Share Your Stories  
 James Muller

Class 2- Markets 51+		e							
Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Sports Reportin g	Firs t Plac e	KVOA	Tucson	"One Tough Cat" : Teen's Battle With Cystic Fibrosis & Inspiration From AZ Wildcat Football Team	Paul Cicala,Paul Hanke			
Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Light Feature	Firs t Plac e	KTUU	Anchor age	Bobby Hill, Alaska Aces Unofficial Mascot	Blake Essig,Kenny Knutson			
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best News Promo	Firs t Plac e	KCBSR	San Francis co	Earthquake!	Ed Cavagnaro			
Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Coverag e of an Ongoing Story	Firs t Plac e	KRCC	Colorad o Springs	Railroad West	Andrea Chalfin,Martha Perez- Sanz,Maggie Spencer,Shann a Lewis,Bente Birkeland			
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best News Broadca st	Firs t Plac e	KOMOR		KOMO Newsradio - March 18	Staff			
	Best Use of Sound-	Firs t Plac	KGO	San Francis co	15-Seconds That Changed Everything	Bret Burkhart			

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Blake  
Essig,David  
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Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Special Program	Firs t Plac e	KTVN Channel 2 News, Reno	Kristen Remin gton	Reno	Road 2 Recovery	Kristen Remington, Bra d Horn, Jason Pasco, Jason Nez, Mackenzie Miller
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Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Editing	Firs t Plac e	KUSA	Chris Hanse n	Denver	The Columbine Link	Chris Hansen, Nelson Garcia
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Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Videogr aphy of Sports	Firs t Plac e	KNXV	Mark Oltz	Phoeni x	The List - Foot Golf	Mark Oltz, Randy Lane
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Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50, Televisi on Class 2- Markets 51+	Bill Stout Memori al Award for Excellen ce in Station Spot News	Firs t Plac e	KGMB		Honolul u	Hawaii News Now 2014	Rick Blangiardi, Scot t Humber , Mark Platte, Andy Sugg, Ryan Wilson
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Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50, Radio Class 2- Markets 51+, Televisi on Class 1- Markets 1-	Station of the Year	Firs t Plac e	KOMOR			KOMO Newsradio - Seattle	Staff
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 51+

Television Class 2-  
 Markets 51+ Best Live  
 Coverage of a  
 News Event  
 First Place  
 KOLD  
 Marana  
 Monsoon Hits  
 Southern  
 Arizona  
 Michelle  
 Germano,Chris  
 Francis,KOLD  
 Staff

Television Class 1-  
 Markets 1-  
 50 Best Serious  
 Feature  
 First Place  
 KOMO  
 Katie  
 Stern  
 Seattle  
 ALS Voice  
 Banking  
 Katie  
 Stern,Eric  
 Johnson,Darrin  
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Television Class 1-  
 Markets 1-  
 50 Best Weather  
 Segment  
 First Place  
 KPIX  
 Robert  
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 Pleasanton  
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 Weather -  
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Television Class 2-  
 Markets 51+ Best  
 Videography of  
 a News Feature  
 First Place  
 KOLD  
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Television Class 2-  
 Markets 51+ Best  
 Investigative  
 Reporting  
 First Place  
 KVOA  
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Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Sports Reportin g	Firs t Plac e	KMEX	Los Angeles	HOPE ON THE SOCCER FIELD	ANTONIO VALVERDE,RO SALIA SOZA,FRANCIS CO VASQUEZ
Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Special Program	Firs t Plac e	KDTV	San Francis co	Niños de la Frontera	Staff
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50,Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Bill Stout Memori al Award for Excellen ce in Enterpri se News Coverag e	Firs t Plac e	KTXL	Sacram ento	Drone Dilemma	Marin Austin ,Darren McQuade
Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Dick Terry Videogr apher of the Year	Firs t Plac e	KTVU	JACOB JIMEN EZ	Martin ez JIMENEZ COMPOSITE	Jacob Jimenez
Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best News Writing	Firs t Plac e	KUSA	Denver	Vanderveen Writing Composite	Chris Vanderveen
Television Class 1- Markets 1-	Best Investiga tive	Firs t Plac	KNTV	San Jose	"SUBSTATION INSECURITY"	Tony Kovaleski,Eliza beth



Radio Class 2-Markets 51+	Best Use of Sound-Feature	First Place	KUNR		Horses are Helping Adults with Depression, Anxiety	Michelle Bliss
Television Class 1-Markets 1-50, Television Class 2-Markets 51+	Bill Stout Memorial Award for Excellence in Enterprise News Coverage	First Place	KUSA	Denver	#justStopCO	Chris Vanderveen, Nicole Vap, Anna Hewson, Chris Hansen, Burt Hubbard
Radio Class 1-Markets 1-50	Best Serious Feature	First Place	KXJZ	Sacramento	The 'Deepest Straw Wins' in Central Valley Scramble for Groundwater	Pauline Bartolone, Marnette Federis
Television Class 2-Markets 51+	Best Use of Social Media	First Place	KTUU	Anchor age	KTUU/Channel 2 Social Media Platforms	Channel 2 Staff
Television Class 2-Markets	Best Videography of Hard News	First Place	KTUU	Anchor age	Kuba Wuls Compilation	Kuba Wuls

51+

Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Videogr aphy of Sports	Firs t Plac e	KTUU	Anchor age	Willow Rainbow Trout	Kari Bustamante,D avid Brooks
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Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Chris Harris Reporter of the Year Award	Firs t Plac e	KTUU	Anchor age	Blake Essig Reporter	Blake Essig
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Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Dick Terry Videogr apher of the Year	Firs t Plac e	KTUU	Anchor age	Kuba Wuls Compilation	Kuba Wuls
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Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Rachel Ambros e Best News Website	Firs t Plac e	KPCC	Pasade na	SCPR.org	Staff
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	Best Videogr aphy of	Firs t Plac	KMEX	Los Angeles	FRANCISCO VASQUEZ - BEST	FRANCISCO VASQUEZ
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Television Class 1- Markets 1- 50	a News Feature	e					VIDEOGRAPHY OF A NEWS FEATURE	
Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Sports Segment	Firs t Plac e	KGMB		Honolul u	Hawaii's Heisman Hopeful		Chris Tanaka,Jon Suyat,Scott Humber,Mark Platte,Andy Sugg
Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Coverag e of an Ongoing Story	Firs t Plac e	KTVN Channel 2 News (Reno)	Kristen Remin gton	Reno	Road 2 Recovery Series		Kristen Remington,Bra d Horn,Jason Pasco,Jason Nez,Mackenzie Miller
Television Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Editing	Firs t Plac e	kgun 9 tv	Alfons o Sahagu n	Tucson	Mammoth		Alfonso Sahagun
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Spot News Story	Firs t Plac e	KCBSR		San Francis co	Berkeley Protests		Bob Butler
Radio Class 1- Markets 1- 50	Best Light Feature	Firs t Plac e	KXJZ		Sacram ento	Sacramento Traffic 'Calming' Takes Many Forms		Ed Joyce
Radio Class 2- Markets 51+	Best Sports Reportin g	Firs t Plac e	KUNR			One Snowboarder's Story of Healing		Michelle Bliss

Radio Class 2-Markets 51+	Best Use of Sound-Hard News	First Place	KUNR			Scientists Grapple with Decline in Clarity and Species around Tahoe's Near Shore	Will Stone
Radio Class 2-Markets 51+	Best Light Feature	First Place	Jefferson Public Radio		Ashland	A Hot Shower For Ashland's Homeless	Liam Moriarty
Radio Class 2-Markets 51+	Best Investigative Reporting	First Place	KCLU	Lance Orozco	Thousand Oaks	"The Hidden Threat"	Lance Orozco
Radio Class 1-Markets 1-50	Best Special Program	First Place	Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB)	Mary Kilgore	Portland	Class of 2025	Rob Manning, Eve Epstein, Amanda Peacher, Michael Clapp, John Rosman
Radio Class 2-Markets 51+	Best Serious Feature	First Place	Hawaii Public Radio	Molly Solomon	Honolulu	Preserving Honouliuli: An Internment Camp Almost Forgotten	Molly Solomon