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**THE ALLIANCE ANNOUNCES 2020 EDITORIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS FOR  
LEADING BUSINESS PUBLICATIONS**

**NORWALK, CT**—The Alliance of Area Business Publishers (AABP) presented 124 Editorial Excellence awards to newspaper and magazine business periodicals on June 25, 2020, at the closing celebration of its four-day annual Virtual National Conference.

With 448 entries from 34 publications in the U.S., Canada and Australia, the competitive field was both impressive and diverse.

“The high-quality journalism being done by these publications keeps readers thoroughly up-to-date and, importantly, includes a lot of data, context and historical perspective that are especially important as truth increasingly gets drowned in a flood of social media snippets,” said Reuben Stern, who coordinated the judging by faculty members at the University of Missouri School of Journalism. “The winning entries once again combine solid research, great sourcing, excellent on-the-ground reporting, deep community knowledge, and creative thinking.”

The annual AABP Editorial Excellence competition recognizes excellence in journalism, photography and design achieved by regional business publications. Twenty-four judges, faculty members from the University of Missouri School of Journalism, bring their expertise to the selection process.

Some highlights from this year’s awards include: Best Magazine to **Hawaii Business**; Best Newspaper: Small Tabloids to **San Fernando Valley Business Journal**; Best Newspaper: Medium Tabloids to **Worcester Business Journal**; Best Newspaper: Large Tabloids to **Crain’s Chicago Business**; Best Cover: Magazines to **Twin Cities Business**; Best Front Page: Newspapers to **Crain’s Cleveland Business**; Most Improved Publication to **Delaware Business Times**; Best Website to **BizTimes Milwaukee**; Best Daily E-mail to **Arkansas Business**; and Best Specialty E-newsletter to **Des Moines Business Record**. A complete list of award winners and the awards presentation can be found at [www.bizpubs.org/awards](http://www.bizpubs.org/awards).

Headquartered in Norwalk, CT, the Alliance is a nonprofit national organization representing 55 independent magazine and newspaper members in the United States, Canada and Australia. For more information about the Alliance, call 203-515-9294 or visit [www.bizpubs.org](http://www.bizpubs.org).

## 2020 EDITORIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

### **DESIGN CATEGORIES**

#### **1. Best magazine cover**

Bronze: *Hawaii Business*

Silver: *D CEO*

Gold: *Twin Cities Business*

#### **2. Best feature layout – magazine**

Bronze: *dbusiness*

Silver: *Hawaii Business*

Gold: *D CEO*

#### **3. Best overall design – magazine**

Bronze: *dbusiness*

Silver: *Hawaii Business*

Gold: *D CEO*

#### **4. Best front page – newspaper**

Bronze: *BizWest*

Silver: *Crain's Chicago Business*

Gold: *Crain's Cleveland Business*

#### **5. Best feature layout – newspaper**

Bronze: *Crain's Detroit Business*

Silver: *BizTimes Milwaukee*

Gold: *Crain's Chicago Business*

#### **6a. Best overall design: small tabloids**

Bronze: *Greater Wilmington Business Journal*

Silver: *Daily Herald Business Ledger*

Gold: *San Fernando Valley Business Journal*

#### **6b. Best overall design: medium tabloids**

Bronze: *Mainebiz*

Silver: *Worcester Business Journal*

Gold: *BizTimes Milwaukee*

**6c. Best overall design: large tabloids**

Bronze: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Silver: *Crain's Detroit Business*

Gold: *Crain's Chicago Business*

**7a. Best Use of Photography/Illustrations Newspapers**

Bronze: *Crain's Cleveland Business*

Silver: *Crain's Detroit Business*

Gold: *Crain's Chicago Business*

**7b. Best Use of Photography/Illustrations Magazines**

Bronze: *Hawaii Business*

Silver: *Insight on Business*

Gold: *D CEO*

**ONLINE CATEGORIES**

**8. Best use of multimedia**

Bronze: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Silver: *Des Moines Business Record*

Gold: *Crain's Chicago Business*

**9. Best daily email**

Bronze: *Des Moines Business Record*

Silver: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Gold: *Arkansas Business*

**10. Best specialty e-newsletter**

Bronze: *Crain's Chicago Business*

Silver: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Gold: *Des Moines Business Record*

**JOURNALISM CATEGORIES**

## **11. Best scoop**

SMALL

Silver: *Vermont Business*

Gold: *Corridor Business Journal*

MEDIUM

Silver: *Business North Carolina*

Gold: *Journal of Business*

LARGE

Silver: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Gold: *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*

## **12. Best feature**

SMALL

Silver: *dbusiness*

Gold: *Corridor Business Journal*

MEDIUM

Silver: *Ottawa Business Journal*

Gold: *Virginia Business*

LARGE

Silver: *Crain's New York Business*

Gold: *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*

## **13. Best personality profile**

SMALL

Silver: *dbusiness*

Gold: *South Sound Business*

MEDIUM

Silver: *Virginia Business*

Gold: *Business North Carolina*

LARGE

Silver: *D CEO*

Gold: *Crain's Detroit Business*

## **14: Best body of work, single writer**

SMALL

Silver: *Greater Wilmington Business Report*

Gold: *dbusiness*

MEDIUM

Silver: *Business North Carolina*

Gold: *BizTimes Milwaukee*

LARGE

Silver: *Hawaii Business*

Gold: *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*

### **15. Best recurring feature**

SMALL

Silver: *Greater Wilmington Business Journal*

Gold: *Corridor Business Journal*

MEDIUM

Silver: *Biz New Orleans*

Gold: *Hartford Business Journal*

LARGE

Silver: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Gold: *Hawaii Business*

### **16. Best coverage of local breaking news**

SMALL

Silver: *Greater Wilmington Business Journal*

Gold: *Vermont Business Magazine*

MEDIUM

Silver: No Award

Gold: *Arkansas Business*

LARGE

Silver: *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*

Gold: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

### **17. Best investigative reporting**

SMALL

No awards.

MEDIUM

Silver: *BizWest*

Gold: *Worcester Business Journal*

LARGE

Silver: *Crain's Detroit Business*

Gold: *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*

### **18. Best explanatory journalism**

SMALL  
Silver: *dbusiness*

Gold: *Biz 417*

MEDIUM  
Silver: *Twin Cities Business*

Gold: *Hartford Business Journal*

LARGE  
Silver: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Gold: *Hawaii Business*

### **19. Best local coverage of a national business/economic story**

SMALL  
Silver: *The Business Journal, Fresno*

Gold: *dbusiness*

MEDIUM  
Silver: *Hartford Business Journal*

Gold: *Arkansas Business*

LARGE  
Silver: *Hawaii Business*

Gold: *Crain's Detroit Business*

### **Category 20: Best ancillary publication**

SMALL  
Silver: *Insight on Business*

Gold: *Delaware Business Times*

MEDIUM  
Silver: *BizTimes Milwaukee*

Gold: *Arkansas Business*

LARGE  
Silver: *Crain's Detroit Business*

Gold: *Greater Baton Rouge Business Report*

### **21. Best bylined commentary**

SMALL  
Silver: *Corridor Business Journal*

Gold: *dbusiness*

MEDIUM  
Silver: *Arkansas Business*

Gold: *Twin Cities Business*

LARGE

Silver: *Crain's Chicago Business*

Gold: *Florida Trend*

**22. Best editorial**

SMALL

Silver: *Vermont Business*

Gold: *dbusiness*

MEDIUM

Silver: *BizWest*

Gold: *Worcester Business Journal*

LARGE

Silver: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Gold: *Crain's Detroit Business*

**BEST OF SHOW CATEGORIES**

**23. Most improved publication**

Winner: *Delaware Business Times*

**24. Best website**

Bronze: *Providence Business News*

Silver: *Crain's Chicago Business*

Gold: *BizTimes Milwaukee*

**25. Best magazine**

Bronze: *Florida Trend*

Silver: *D CEO*

Gold: *Hawaii Business*

**26A. Best newspaper: small tabloids**

Bronze: *Corridor Business Journal*

Silver: *Greater Wilmington Business Journal*

Gold: *San Fernando Valley Business Journal*

**26b. Best newspaper: medium tabloids**

Bronze: *BizWest*

Silver: *BizTimes Milwaukee*

Gold: *Worcester Business Journal*

**26C. Best newspaper: large tabloids**

Bronze: *Indianapolis Business Journal*

Silver: *Crain's Detroit Business*

Gold: *Crain's Chicago Business*