



THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND SCIENCES
ANNOUNCES THE NOMINEES OF
THE 2017 NATIONAL STUDENT PRODUCTION AWARDS

Tom Bergeron to Host October 3rd Award Presentation at Emerson College in Los Angeles, CA

New York, NY, Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 – The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences today announced the nominees for The 2017 National Student Production Awards. Nominees were selected from high school student entries across the country in 23 programming and craft categories. The awards presentation will be live-streamed from the Los Angeles campus of Emerson College on Tuesday, October 3rd at noon, PDT and will be hosted by television personality, Tom Bergeron, star and host of ABC’s “Dancing with the Stars.” Viewing of the presentation can be seen at the following:

NATAS/National Student Production Awards: <https://www.facebook.com/NATASSPA>

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NATAS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TheEmmys>

Over 200 young professionals, culled from 19 regional chapters of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, were successfully narrowed down from a record breaking 1,500 entries, by judges selected from industry professionals to university professors, to advance to the national competition.

“The future of television is being passed on to these outstanding students who will one day become the leaders of innovation and programming for our industry in the 21st century,” said Bob Mauro, President & CEO, NATAS.

“The breadth and scope of the work created by these talented students continues to surprise and amaze us as we look to the future of this great industry,” said, NATAS Education Chair, Danielle Mannion. “We are very grateful to the hundreds of industry professionals who judged and critiqued these exceptional student productions and look forward to an exciting event hosted by Tom Bergeron at Emerson College’s west coast campus.”

Categories and nominees will be announced with pre-recorded messages from television personalities from across the industry prior to the announcement of honorees by Tom Bergeron. The honorees will receive a NATAS certificate and a crystal pillar award, emblazoned with the world famous EMMY® logo for their school.

The live-stream will be produced by David Michaels, NATAS SVP, Daytime, and Education Chair, Danielle Mannion with Nic Duggar, TNDV, directing. NATAS would like to thank and acknowledge their Sponsors, Warner Chappell Production Music (<http://www.warnerchappellpm.com/>), Nic Duggar, owner of TNDV (<http://www.tndv.com/>) and Emerson College (www.emerson.edu/) for its facility and participation in making these awards possible.

About The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences

The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) is a professional service organization dedicated to the advancement of the arts and sciences of television and the promotion of creative leadership for artistic, educational and technical achievements within the television industry.

It recognizes excellence in television with the coveted Emmy Award for News & Documentary, Sports, Daytime Entertainment, Daytime Creative Arts & Entertainment, Public & Community Service, and Technology & Engineering. NATAS membership consists of over 15,000 broadcast and media professionals represented in 19 regional chapters across the country. Beyond awards, NATAS has extensive educational programs including Regional Student Television and its Student Award for Excellence for outstanding journalistic work by high school students, as well as scholarships, publications, and major activities for both industry professionals and the viewing public. For more information, please visit the website at www.emmyonline.tv.

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NOMINEES FOR THE NATIONAL STUDENT PRODUCTION AWARDS

Newscast

The Buzz TV, Fort Mill High School (Southeast Chapter)

Zoe Cruz, Julian Masters
Karin McKerney, Advisor

WBHS 9 Dec. 16 Newscast, Brentwood High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

Rachel Ault, Morgan Yoder, Stephanie Steele, Reed Smith, Ryan Tyler, Katie Hart, Jack Burke, Matthew Willoughby
Ronnie Adcock, Advisor

Plymouth North School Newscast, Plymouth North High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Dan Riley
Michelle Terry, Advisor

BNN, Buchanan News Network, Buchanan High School, Clovis, CA (San Francisco / Northern California Chapter)

Sergio Chavez, Camryn Dietz, Taylor Wolfe, Sarah Forbis, Ryan Kish, Arianna Norvelle, Lauren Redmond, Rei Bioco, Lance Lamborn, Tristan Stulce, Bransen Pass
Daniel Pearce, Advisor

CPTV , Crown Point High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

Reece Grapenthien, Drew Zimmerman, Mitch Bolda, Kyle Gilson, Evan Holland
Brent Barber, Chris Gloff, Advisor

General Assignment - Serious News

A Whole New World, Hillcrest High School (Mid-America Chapter)

Josh Horned, Rachel Pfeifer
Dave Davis, Advisor

Active Shooter Drill, Barrington High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

Alex Gaul, Ben Pokorny
Jeff Doles, Advisor

Desegregation at GHS, Germantown High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

Deborah Noel, Andreas Williams, Wolfgang Stoltz
Leonid Mazor, Advisor

Domestic Abuse, Davison High School (Michigan Chapter)

Alesia Paxton, Bailey Talaska
Randy Scott, Advisor

Cruising Over Cancer, Parkland High School (Mid-Atlantic Chapter)

Mary Dalton, Graham Burrell
Dave Thomas, Advisor

General Assignment - Light News

Charlie's Path, Christopher Columbus HS, CCNN Live (Suncoast Chapter)

Christopher Ahrendt, Christopher Vazquez, Anthony Martinez, Antonio Castellanos
Christina Insua, Omar Delgado, Advisor

Cole Bryant Named Student Coach, KCBY-TV Coppell High School (Lone Star Chapter)

Kiley Wecker, Nick Wilson
Irma Lazos-Kennedy, Advisor

Special Education, Central High School (Mid-America Chapter)

Emily Beach, Emma Steingraber
Josh Cantrell, Advisor

Immigration, Plymouth North High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Michelle Terry, Advisor

Arts and Entertainment/Cultural Affairs

Backstreet Community Arts, Central Education Center (Southeast Chapter)

Skylar Nicholson, Katarina Sibley

Michael Britt, Advisor

Dominican Republic Mission Trip, Burnsville High School (Upper Midwest Chapter)

Scott Tinkham

Tyler Krebs, Advisor

Storytellers, Ruth Asawa San Francisco School of the Arts, San Francisco, CA (San Francisco / Northern California Chapter)

Ethan Bresnick, Avidan Novogrodsky-Godt, Theo Haber

Scott Berhardt, Advisor

Jacob's Story, Springdale District TV (Mid-America Chapter)

Max Roeder, Esdras Valdez

Trent Jones, Advisor

Annie, Franklin High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

Jacob Ferguson

Keri Thompson, Advisor

Music Video

Chatta Who, Alpharetta High School (Southeast Chapter)

Michael Masi, Eric Traugott, Kyle Monahan

Tracy Misner, Advisor

Be Free, William G. Enloe High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

Laurn Bledsoe, Owen Tadych, Robert Smith, Spencer Rouse, Eneko Zubizarreta, Evan Davenport

Bill Notarnicola, Advisor

Music Video, Athens TV - Troy Athens High School (Michigan Chapter)

Alana Richardson, Claire Davis, Eleri Watkins

Adam Burns, Advisor

Another Day of Sun, Middleborough High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Leanne Robinson

Adam Pelletier, Advisor

One Minute to Midnight, Delaware Area Career Center (Ohio Valley Chapter)

Connor McGovern, Nate Martin, Aidan Garling, Jeff Butcher, Jake Marzluf, Rachel Wyatt

Josh Gallagan, Advisor

Short Form - Fiction

Evol, Mesquite ISD Technology Excellence Center (Lone Star Chapter)

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Shonda Tindall, Advisor

Aliens Without a Planet, Dekalb School of the Arts (Southeast Chapter)

Giovanni Tortorici

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Comeback, Ballard High School (Northwest Chapter)

Skala Leake, Avery Davis, Aaron Miller, Cameron Miller

Matt Lawrence, Advisor

A Case of Depression, Lexington High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Tian Xu

Mary Pappas, Advisor

Oregano, Olentangy Orange High School (Ohio Valley Chapter)

Jake Metzger, Garrett Dahn, Samuel DeCillis, Dominic Fleshman

Brian Nicola, Advisor

Short Form - Non-Fiction

The Luc Show, Bemidji High School (Upper Midwest Chapter)

Luc Berard
Bryan Hammitt, Advisor

Dear Meghan, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Michael Sargent, Jeffrey Szynal
Drew Furtado, Advisor

Becoming Callie, Homewood-Flossmoor High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

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Mark Ciesielski, Advisor

Courage Award Noah McLaughlin, Summit High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

Morgan Haymer
Patrick Nichols, Advisor

Perpetual Peace, NW Documentary (Northwest Chapter)

Alexa Block, Cheyenne Kelly, Kara Fosso
Sam Gaty, Advisor

Long Form - Fiction

Resisting Rest, Roswell High School (Southeast Chapter)

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Captive, Taunton High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

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Out of Nothing, Delaware Area Career Center (Ohio Valley Chapter)

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Josh Gallagan, Advisor

Long Form - Non-Fiction

9066, Ballard High School (Northwest Chapter)

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Project Shield, Belen Jesuit Preparatory School (Suncoast Chapter)

Andres Dones
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Proof of Life: A documentary, Christopher Columbus HS, CCNN Live (Suncoast Chapter)

Christopher Ahrendt, Antonio Castellanos, Alejandro Basalo, Christopher Vazquez, Anthony Martinez, Danyel DeVilliers, Jose Fernandez
Christina Insua, Omar Delgado, Advisor

Jerrad, Burnsville High School (Upper Midwest Chapter)

Scott Tinkham, Jerrad Solberg
Tyler Krebs, Advisor

Cuba. The Story of My Father, PCTV - Pine Crest School (Suncoast Chapter)

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Sports

This is Ultimate, East Chapel Hill High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

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Bemidji Boys Basketball 2016-2017, Bemidji High School (Upper Midwest Chapter)

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Barrington vs. Conant, Barrington High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

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The Season: Oxford Football - Episode Six, Oxford High School (Southeast Chapter)

Merrick McCool, Andrew Gardner, Eli Hartnett
Diala Chaney, Advisor

Sports-Live Event

Wildcat Sports Network: Har-ber vs. Springdale, Har-Ber High School (Mid-America Chapter)

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