2024 STAR Awards Nominees

# Production: Commercial TV

MERIT AWARD WBTW-TV, 810 Bowling

 Credits: Amanda Cases

STAR AWARD WHNS-TV, Firefly Solar

 Credits: Steven Reeps, Rob Thomas

# Production: Commercial (Radio Small Ownership)

MERIT AWARD WUDE-FM, La Herradura

 Credits: Mike Johnson, Michelle Renew

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Lancaster County Stormwater

 Credits: Elizabeth Evans, Steven Stone, Jackson Taylor

# Production: Commercial (Radio Large Ownership)

STAR AWARD WTPT-FM, Rise Guys P1 Lager for Guys with Beards

 Credits: Mattman, Nine, Paige, J.D. Stone

# Production: Promo TV

MERIT AWARD WHNS-TV, Access Carolina: Grown Local Week

 Credits: Steven Reeps, Tim Strong

STAR AWARD WYFF 4, Decades of Trust

 Credits: Annie McCuen, Benjie Newman

# Production: Promo (Radio Small Ownership)

MERIT AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Boo-HaHa 2023

 Credits: Tyler Cupp, Steven Stone, Jackson Taylor

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Easter Egg Classic 2023

 Credits: Allan Miller, Steven Stone, Jackson Taylor

# Production: Promo (Radio Large Ownership)

MERIT AWARD WYRD-AM, 1,000 Show Promo

 Credits: Mark Hendrix

STAR AWARD WYRD-FM, Trump Move to the Left

 Credits: Mark Hendrix, Charlie James

# Production: PSA TV

MERIT AWARD WLTX-TV, Stuff-A-Bus: Memories

 Credits: Cecily Diaz, Robriguez Green, Johnathan Rabon

STAR AWARD WYFF 4, Moveville

 Credits: Kelly Hoffman, Benjie Newman

# Production: PSA (Radio Small Ownership)

MERIT AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Counseling Services of Lancaster

 Credits: Tyler Cupp, Beth Ghent, Matt Hiers

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Toys for Happiness

 Credits: Allan Miller, Steven Stone, Jackson Taylor

# Production: PSA (Radio Large Ownership)

STAR AWARD WROQ-FM, L.E.O. Santa

 Credits: Pete Gustin, J.D. Stone

# Production: Multi-Spot Campaign TV

MERIT AWARD WYFF 4, Today-Trust

 Credits: Benjie Newman, Joanna Wells

STAR AWARD WCSC-TV, We Are Charleston

 Credits: Mac Fail, Cambron Kiles

# Production: Multi-spot campaign (Radio Small Ownership)

MERIT AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Saltwater Markets

 Credits: Clint Boyd, Tyler Cupp

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, ChristmasVille 2023

 Credits: Allison Cleveland, Allan Miller, Steven Stone

# Production: Multi-spot campaign (Radio Large Ownership)

STAR AWARD WTPT-FM, Rise Guys P1 Lager

 Credits: Mark Hendrix, Mattman, Nine, J.D. Stone

# Best Use of Digital Platforms TV

MERIT AWARD WACH-TV, WACH FOX 57 Digital Platforms

 Credits: WACH FOX 57 Team

 STAR AWARD WCSC-TV, Best Digital Platforms: Live 5 News

 Credits: Steven Ardary, Marissa Lute, Patrick Phillips

# Best Use of Digital Platforms Radio

MERIT AWARD WTCB-FM 106.7

 Credits: Leo Baldwin, Kaylin Mozdzen, Blake Powers

STAR AWARD South Carolina Public Radio

 Credits: Sean Birch, Linda Nunez, Alfred Turner

# Convergence Coverage TV

MERIT AWARD SC ETV, Statewide 2024 Election Coverage

 Credits: Aimee Crouch, Gavin Jackson, Maayan Schechter

STAR AWARD WLTX-TV, The Alex Murdaugh Trial

 Credits: Tony Santaella

# Convergence Coverage Radio

MERIT AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, 6th Annual WRHI Football City USA Kickoff

 Credits: Tyler Cupp, Chris Miller, Steven Stone

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Keep Pounding Classic

 Credits: Matt Hiers, Chris Miller, Chet Tucker

# Best Sports Special Television

MERIT AWARD WCSC-TV, Quest for Perfection

 Credits: Kevin Bilodeau, Thomas Gruel, Summer Huechtker

STAR AWARD WMBF-TV, The Final Stretch

 Credits: Hunter Boenau, George Hanson, Ian Klein

# Best Sports Show/Sports Talk Show (Radio)

MERIT AWARD WNKT-FM, The Game 107.5

 Credits: Bill Gunter, Jennifer Jensen, Preston Thorne

STAR AWARD WYRD-AM, The Rob Brown Show

 Credits: Rob Brown, Lonzo

# Best Radio Promotion

MERIT AWARD WXST-FM, Mix 95.5 Great Grocery Grab

 Credits: Brian Cleary, Stephen Crumbley

STAR AWARD WARQ-FM, Live 93.5’s “Ticket Surveillance Balloon” Takes Flight

 Credits: Brendan Croghan, Brooke, Jeffrey

# Best TV Weather/Science Reporting

MERIT AWARD WBTW-TV, Hannah Rahner

 Credits: Hannah Rahner

STAR AWARD WCSC-TV, Plant Emissions Spark Community Concerns, Lawsuit

 Credits: Caitlin Ashbaugh, Michal Higdon

# Best TV Weather Coverage Television

MERIT AWARD WHNS-TV, January 9th Flooding

 Credits: FOX Carolina News

STAR AWARD WPDE-TV, Nor’easter Tornado

 Credits: WPDE ABC 15

# Best Radio Public Affairs Show

MERIT AWARD WZMJ-FM, Midlands Matters

 Credits: Tony Clyburn, Brent Johnson

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Straight Talk

 Credits: Manning Kimmel, Sheilah Kimmel

# Best News Talk Show Radio

MERIT AWARD WYRD-FM, Straight Talk with Bill Frady

 Credits: Bill Frady, Lonzo

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Palmetto Mornings

 Credits: Palmetto Mornings Team

# TV Local Programming (News and Non-News)

MERIT AWARD WYFF 4, Chronicle: State of Mind

 Credit: John Hendon, Jennifer Mihalic, Jenni Williams

STAR AWARD WMBF-TV, The Revolving Door of Addiction

 Credit: Emily Akiyama, Ashley Boles, George Hansen, Dana Tilley

 Best Morning Newscast of the Year Television

MERIT AWARD WCSC-TV, Overnight Fires, Breaking News, and Dangerous Heat

 Credit: Brittany Arndt, Nick Reagan, Shelbey Roberts

STAR AWARD WPDE-TV, Good Morning Carolinas – Fred Hopkins Sentencing Day

 Credit: WPDE ABC 15

# Best Evening Newscast of the Year Television

MERIT AWARD WCSC-TV, Blocked by the Sheriff: What Jailhouse Videos Reveal in Deadly DUI Case

 Credit: Thomas Cassidy, Michal Higdon, Emily Johnson

STAR AWARD WYFF 4, WYFF News 4 at 5pm

 Credit: Julie Loeper, Hannah Nelson, Anne Newman

# TV Broadcast News: Spot News

MERIT AWARD WLTX-TV, Remembering Firefighter James Muller

 Credit: Peyton Lewis, Sharranda Neal, Sam Perez

STAR AWARD WCSC-TV, Mass Shooting on the Isle of Palms Beach

 Credit: Cameron Bopp, Rey Llerena, Ann McGill

# Radio Morning Show Broadcast Personality or Team

MERIT AWARD WYRD-AM, Rob Brown Show

 Credit: Rob Brown, Lonzo

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Palmetto Mornings

 Credit: Palmetto Mornings Team

# TV Broadcast News: Series

MERIT AWARD WCSC-TV, Series Coverage: Murdaugh Murder Trial

 Credit: Live 5 News

STAR AWARD WMBF-TV, This Is Carolina

 Credit: George Hansen, Loren Korn

# Best Music Show Radio

MERIT AWARD SC Public Radio, Sonatas and Soundscapes

 Credit: Sean Birch, Bradley Fuller

STAR AWARD WLXC-FM, Saturday Night Juke Joint

 Credit: Chris Connors, Johnny Green

# TV Broadcast News: Feature/Franchise

MERIT AWARD WMBF-TV, The Story of Jamestown

 Credit: George Hansen, Derrion Henderson, Dana Tilley

STAR AWARD WIS-TV, The Strongest Man

 Credit: Greg Adaline, Devon Jennings

# TV Broadcast News: Investigative Reporting

MERIT AWARD WCSC-TV, Investigation Reveals Sealed Windows Contributed to Fire Deaths

 Credit: Blair Sabol

STAR AWARD WCSC-TV, Blocked by the Sheriff: What Jailhouse Videos Reveal in a Deadly DUI Case

 Credit: Michal Higdon, Emily Johnson, Blair Sabol

# Best News Coverage of the Murdaugh Trails Radio

MERIT AWARD WYRD-FM, Murdaugh Trials Update

 Credit: Charlie James, Rob Jones, Tara Servatius

STAR AWARD SC Public Radio, Murdaugh Trials Coverage

 Credit: Victoria Hansen

# Best News Coverage of the Murdaugh Trials TV

MERIT AWARD WCSC-TV, Murdaugh Murder Trial

 Credit: Live 5 News

STAR AWARD WIS-TV, The Trial of the Century

 Credit: WIS 10

# TV Producer of the Year

MERIT AWARD Jackson Fields, WHNS-TV

STAR AWARD Thomas Cassidy, WCSC-TV

# TV Reporter of the Year

# MERIT AWARD Rashad Willians, WYFF 4

STAR AWARD Sam Perez, WLTX-TV

# Radio Reporter of the Year

MERIT AWARD Thelisha Eaddy, SC Public Radio

STAR AWARD Victoria Hansen, SC Public Radio

# TV Director of the Year

MERIT AWARD Sarah Pettigrew, WMBF-TV

STAR AWARD Patrick Duffie, WHNS-TV

# TV Photographer of the Year

MERIT AWARD Gena McMahon, WYFF 4

STAR AWARD George Hansen, WMBF-TV

# TV Sportscaster of the Year

MERIT AWARD Brandon Dunn, WPDE-TV

STAR AWARD Chandler Mack, WLTX-TV

# Radio Sportscaster of the Year

MERIT AWARD Rob Brown, WYRD-AM

STAR AWARD Chris Miller, WRHI-AM/FM

# TV Weathercaster of the Year

MERIT AWARD Chris Justus, WYFF 4

STAR AWARD Kendra Kent, WHNS-TV

# Radio Personality of the Year

MERIT AWARD Brent Johnson, WZMJ-FM

STAR AWARD Kaylin Mozdzen, WTCB-FM

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# Television Personality of the Year

MERIT AWARD Intisar Faulkner, WIS-TV

STAR AWARD Ava Braatz, WHNS-TV

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# Television Anchor of the Year

MERIT AWARD Ashley Garrett, WHNS-TV

STAR AWARD Greg Adaline, WIS-TV

# Radio Show of the Year

MERIT AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Palmetto Mornings

 Credit: Palmetto Mornings Team

STAR AWARD WYRD-FM, The Charlie James Show

 Credit: Will Asbury, Charlie James

# Uray Service Project of the Year Television

MERIT AWARD WIS-TV, Families Helping Families 2023

 Credit: WIS 10, Nell Killoy, Charles Lin

STAR AWARD WYFF 4, Year 4 Giving: Feed It Forward

 Credit: Will Dillard, Kelly Hoffman, John Humphries

# Uray Service Project of the Year Radio

MERIT AWARD WCRE-AM/FM, WCRE 70th Anniversary $70,000 Giveback

 Credit: Jane Pigg

STAR AWARD WRHI-AM/FM, Feed the Hungry

 Credit: Manning Kimmel, Ronal King, Allan Miller

# Radio Station of the Year

MERIT AWARD WRHI-AM/FM

 Credit: WRHI-AM/FM Staff

STAR AWARD WCRE-AM/FM

 Credit: WCRE Staff

# Television Station of the Year

MERIT AWARD WYFF News 4

 Credit: WYFF News 4 Staff

STAR AWARD WCSC-TV, Live 5 News

 Credit: Live 5 News Staff