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New Mexico communicators wins national awards

Communicators in New Mexico have won a slew of awards — nine first-place awards, six second-place, six third-place and seven honorable mentions — from the 2016 National Federation of Press Women annual communications contest. The official awards will be given at the NFPW's national conference in Wichita, Kansas on September 8-10, 2016.

1st place winners
• Ross Van Dusen, Children’s books
• Heath Haussamen, Investigative reporting
• Megan Kamerick, Talk show (radio or television)
• Mandi Kane, Personality profile 500 words or fewer
• Richard Melzer, History nonfiction for adult readers
• Sharon Niederman, Cookbooks nonfiction for adult readers
• Peter St. Cyr, News story – print-based newspaper
• Kelly Urig, General nonfiction for adult readers
• Catherine Wanek, Book editing

2nd place winners
• Mary-Charlotte Domandi, Interview for radio or television
• Kathleen McCleery, Prepared report for television and special programming for television
• Sherry Robinson, Specialty articles – green/environmental
• Diane Thomas, Novel for adult readers
• Ross Van Dusen, Children’s books

3rd place winners
• Margaret Cheasebro, Specialty articles – business
• Merilee Dannemann, Personal blog
• Bob Diven, Graphics
• Ruth Friesen, Book design
• Mary Alice Murphy, Photo essay
• Diana Sandoval-Tapia, Reports

Honorable mentions
• Nicolás Cabrera, Feature story – online publication
• Margaret Cheasebro, Specialty articles – history
• Ariana Kramer, Specialty article – arts and entertainment
• Tara Lumpkin, Website editing/management
• Sherry Robinson, Continuing coverage or unfolding news
• Marsha Scarbrough, Biography or autobiography
• Peter St. Cyr, Enterprise reporting

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