



**New Mexico Press Women
Communications Contest
Winners/Finalists 2016
Alphabetical by Entrant**

Chris Allen (Corrales)

Thanksgiving
Honorable Mention
60A-Short stories - single story

Barbe Awalt

The Basic New Mexico Bucket List
Honorable Mention
57E-Nonfiction books for adult readers - travel

Barbe Awalt

The Ultimate Hot Air Balloon Bucket List
Honorable Mention
57E-Nonfiction books for adult readers - travel

Sherri Burr (Albuquerque)

The Writing Life
Honorable Mention
11D-Columns - personal opinion

Sherri Burr

Arts Talk with James McGrath
Third Place
24-Interview (radio or television)

Nicolás Cabrera (NMSU when writing; now Albuquerque)

Soccer: Common Ground Trouncing Borders
Third Place
01C-News story - online publication

Nicolás Cabrera

The Movement to Change October 12th Holiday Rooted in History
Second Place
01C-News story - online publication

Nicolás Cabrera

Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day Coverage
Third Place
02-Continuing coverage or unfolding news

Nicolás Cabrera
El Cerro de Tomé: A Hill that Unites
Second Place
08C-Feature story - online publication

Nicolás Cabrera
Family History and DNA Link New Mexicans to Mexico, Part 1
First Place
08C-Feature story - online publication

Nicolás Cabrera
Family History and DNA Link New Mexicans to Mexico, Part 2
Honorable Mention
08C-Feature story - online publication

Nicolás Cabrera
Family History and DNA Link New Mexicans to Mexico, Parts 1&2
Second Place
10J-Specialty articles - history

Nicolás Cabrera
El Cerro de Tomé: A Hill that Unites
Third Place
17A-Single photograph - news or feature photo

Nicolás Cabrera
Family History and DNA Link New Mexicans to Mexico, Part 1
Second Place
17A-Single photograph - news or feature photo

Nicolás Cabrera
El Cerro de Tomé: A Hill that Unites
Third Place
19-Photographer - writer

Nicolás Cabrera
Family History and DNA Link New Mexicans to Mexico, Part 1
Second Place
19-Photographer - writer

Nicolás Cabrera
La Llorona alburquerqueña
Second place
60A-Short stories - single story

Nicolás Cabrera
Los grillos sirven el café
Honorable Mention
61A-Creative verse - single poem

Margaret Cheasebro (Aztec)
A Family Affair
First Place
01B-News story - magazine, newsletter, etc

Margaret Cheasebro
Faith and Forgiveness
Honorable Mention
08B-Feature story - magazine, newsletter, etc

Margaret Cheasebro
Connectivity
Second Place
09B-Personality profile - more than 500 words

Margaret Cheasebro
Creative Motivator; From Farmington to Fashion Week
Second Place
10C-Specialty articles - arts and entertainment

Margaret Cheasebro
All about Family; Renovation Outlaws
First Place
10D-Specialty articles - business

Margaret Cheasebro
Tico Returning Vet; Renaissance Man
First Place
10E-Specialty articles - education

Margaret Cheasebro
Documenting the Past for Future Generations; Giving Back
Third Place
10H-Specialty articles - government or politics

Margaret Cheasebro
Mac Saw Lots of Changes on his Route; The Toy Department of Life
First Place
10J-Specialty articles – history

Margaret Cheasebro
42 Years As a Scoutmaster; Passionate Advocate
First Place
10Q-Specialty articles - social issues

Teresa Civello (Albuquerque)

Sarah's Secret
Second Place
60A-Short stories - single story

Teresa Civello
The House on Fresh Pond Road
Second Place
60A-Short stories - single story

Evelia Cobos (Rio Rancho)

Welcome
Second Place
51-Speech

Merilee Dannermann (Albuquerque)

Behavioral health audit is finally public; Do ex-cons deserve a fresh start?
Honorable Mention
11D-Columns - personal opinion

Merilee Dannermann
Literacy is more than reading; Combining subjects in one bill is bad lawmaking
First Place
30C-Blogs - personal

Bob Diven (Las Cruces)

Blasphemy
Second Place
07A-Editorial/Opinion - print-based newspaper

Bob Diven
Homeland Security; Worst Drivers; El Paso Electric Hog
First Place
20A-Graphics

Mary-Charlotte Domandi (Santa Fe)

Why Greatness Cannot Be Planned: An interview with Ken Stanley
First Place
24-Interview (radio or television)

Steve Fox (Taos)

Battles Continue for the Right to Vote; The World Needs Hope

First Place

11D-Columns - personal opinion

Ruth Friesen (Albuquerque)

The Men Who United The West; Out Where The West Begins; The Santa Fe Trail: Guide

Honorable Mention

100-Specialty articles - reviews

Ruth Friesen

Three Trails Conference

Honorable Mention

19-Photographer - writer

Ruth Friesen

Driving the Old Spanish Trail through Utah and Arizona

First Place

20C-Book designed by entrant

Ruth Friesen

Cranes for Judy

Second Place

63-Essay, chapter, or section in a book

Ruth Friesen

The Santa Fe Trail Lives On

Honorable Mention

63-Essay, chapter, or section in a book

Kay Grant (Albuquerque)

Why?

Second Place

63-Essay, chapter, or section of a book

Heath Haussamen (Las Cruces)

Dianna Duran resigns, pleads guilty to two felonies; The road to Duran's resignation: a timeline

First Place

01C-News story - online publication

Heath Haussamen

Docs may reveal potential Keller conflict on state fair lease; We shouldn't accept conflicts in our legislative system; Keller wants a correction; here's why I'm not issuing one

First Place

03-Investigative reporting

Heath Haussamen

Political labels don't tell the whole story

Third Place

08C-Feature story - online publication

Heath Haussamen

Let's put Oñate in a museum with the confederate flag; The truth about gun deaths is complex

Second Place

11D-Columns - Personal Opinion (bylined, not editorial)

Anne Hillerman (Santa Fe)

Rock With Wings

Second Place

56-Novels for adult readers

Vanessa Kahin (Roswell)

Prince of Barkness

Second place

16A-Page design - newspaper

Vanessa Kahin

Terminal Razed

First place

16A-Page design - newspaper

Megan Kamerick (Albuquerque)

48-Hour Moviemaker Race

Third Place

08A-Feature story - print-based newspaper

Megan Kamerick

Tricklocks Serves Up Engaging Monologues for Revolutions; Nick Cave: Soundsuits

Second Place

100-Specialty articles - reviews

Megan Kamerick
Public Square: Incarceration or Graduation
First Place
25-Talk Show - radio or television

Megan Kamerick
Public Square: Boys Into Men - Role Models and Mentors
Second Place
25-Talk Show - radio or television

Mandi Kane (Albuquerque)
Beauty Meets Breaking Bad
First Place
Personality Profile - 500 or fewer words

Mandi Kane
Girls in Beta
Second Place
30C-Blogs - personal

Colleen Keane (Albuquerque – freelance for Navajo Times)
Tribes, Feds join hands to stop violence against women
Honorable Mention
01A-News story - print-based newspaper

Colleen Keane
Continuing coverage of murdered homeless Native Americans in Albuquerque
Honorable Mention
02-Continuing coverage or unfolding news

Colleen Keane
Continuing coverage of Sage Memorial Hospital lawsuit against IHS
Second Place
02-Continuing coverage or unfolding news

Colleen Keane
Warriors unite, Gathering of Nations is honor ground for veterans
First Place
08A-Feature story - print-based newspaper

Colleen Keane
Ancestral maize grower reaps awards at New Mexico state fair
First Place
09B-Personality profile - more than 500 words

Colleen Keane
Family seeks justice; Throw-away people
Second Place
10Q-Specialty articles - social issues

Colleen Keane
Youngest To'hajiilee graduates
First Place
19-Photographer – writer

Rose Marie Kern (Albuquerque)
Southwest Writers Sage
Second Place
15B-Publications regularly edited by entrant

Ariana Kramer (Taos)
When the spirit moves you; Family Matters
First Place
10C-Specialty articles - arts and entertainment

Ariana Kramer
Twelve Swans
Honorable Mention
61A-Creative verse - single poem

Dianne Layden (Albuquerque)
Legacy Fall 2015
First Place
15B-Publications regularly edited by entrant

Donald Levering (Santa Fe)
Coltrane's God
First Place
61B-Creative verse - Book of poetry

Norma Libman (Placitis)
Should the Jews Return to Spain?
Third Place
08B-Editorial/Opinion - print-based newspaper

Joan Livingston (Taos)
Dam issues raise concerns about state oversight
Third Place
07A-Editorial/Opinion - print-based newspaper

Joan Livingston
How about affordable housing for Taos' workers
First Place
07A-Editorial/Opinion - print-based newspaper

Joan Livingston
Taos Society of Artists: Stories from three descendants
Second Place
08A-Feature story - print-based newspaper

Tara Lumpkin (El Prado)
Voices for Biodiversity
First Place
28A-Web site edited or managed by entrant

Kathleen McCleery (Corrales)
Albuquerque Police
First Place
22B-Prepared report - news, etc

Kathleen McCleery
Jobs for the Homeless
First Place
23B-Special programming - television

Cassie McClure (Las Cruces)
Taste - Paleteria Michoacana & Delicias
First Place
100-Specialty articles - reviews

Arin McKenna (Santa Fe)
Weather or not, Santa Fe Search and Rescue is there
Honorable Mention
08A-Feature story - print-based newspaper

Arin McKenna
Los Alamos residents remember Boris Nemtsov
Third Place
09B-Personality profile - more than 500 words

Arin McKenna
'Alternate Reality' has roots in history; Painting with a worldwide palette
Third Place
10C-Specialty articles - arts and entertainment

Arin McKenna

Descartes Labs in now off and running; Lujan gets a primer on tech transfer

Second Place

10D-Specialty articles - business

Richard Melzer (Los Ranchos)

The Jewish Legacy in New Mexico History

First Place

57B-Nonfiction books for adult readers - history

Marie Mound (Albuquerque)

Sharing Death

First Place

63-Essay, chapter or section in a book

Mary Alice Murphy (Silver City)

Man donates homemade miniature saddle to Fort Bayard Historic Preservation Society

Second Place

09A-Personality profile - 500 or fewer words

Mary Alice Murphy

Rime Ice NM- Style 123815

First Place

18-Photo Essay

Sharon Niederman (Raton)

Menaul School

Honorable Mention

08a-Feature story - print-based newspaper

Sharon Niederman

Restaurant Reviews

Third Place

10O-Specialty articles - Reviews

Sharon Niederman

New Mexico Farm Table Cookbook

First Place

57D-Nonfiction books for adult readers - cookbooks

Laura Paskus (Corrales)

At the Precipice: New Mexico's Changing Climate

Second Place

04-Enterprise reporting

Laura Paskus
Choosing Life
First Place
05-Special Series

Laura Paskus
Touching Chaco
Second Place
08B-Feature story - Magazine, newsletter, etc

Laura Paskus
Drilling Deep
First Place
23A-Special programming - radio

Vicky Ramakha (Aztec)
From Ounces to Tons
Honorable Mention
09B-Personality profile - more than 500 words

Slim Randles (Los Ranchos)
Ol' Jimmy Dollar
Second Place
58A-Children's Books

Sherry Robinson (Albuquerque)
Is court's IHS ruling good news for Sage?; IHS: Sage board failed public; Sage officials, whistleblowers exchange barbs; Whistleblowers get a break in Sage lawsuit; 'A massive scheme'; Sage, IHS suit heats up
First Place
02-Continuing coverage or unfolding news

Sherry Robinson
State lags in disclosing campaign finance information; Other states lead the way in campaign finance disclosure
Third Place
10H-Specialty articles - government or politics

Sherry Robinson
With capital outlay we borrow from Peter and forget to pay Paul; No new taxes vs. no new debt: The standoff
First Place
10H-Specialty articles - government or politics

Sherry Robinson

Govt. shutdown has real-world consequences in New Mexico: Whistleblowers deserve our gratitude and protection

Second Place

10H-Specialty articles - government or politics

Sherry Robinson

Gold King Spill: Blessing in disguise: Award demonstrates palette of techniques to heal state land

First Place

10I-Specialty articles - green/environmental

Sherry Robinson

NM's nominee for sainthood offers wisdom for the ages; Note to trump: 'Scum of two nations' yielded presidents and patriots

Honorable Mention

10J-Specialty articles - history

Sherry Robinson

Insulting stereotypes, demeaning dialogue can't pass for humor in Sandler movie; Humble pump jack is a machine with a message; Don't forget us!

Third Place

11D-Columns - personal opinion

Diana Sandoval-Tapia (Albuquerque)

2014 NMWCA Annual Report

First Place

41-Reports

Marsha Scarbrough (Hillsboro)

Honey in the River

First Place

57A-Nonfiction books for adult readers - Biography or autobiography

Diane Joy Schmidt (Corrales)

Focus Group Results; PJ Library a Buoyant Success

First Place

10N-Specialty articles - religion

Diane Joy Schmidt

Hillel Student opposes Students for Justice in Palestine boycott, Sanctions and Divestment resolution at University of New Mexico

Honorable Mention

17A-Single photograph - news or feature photo

Diane Joy Schmidt

Private briefing at the White House with Ambassador to Israel Daniel Shapiro for Jewish press
First Place

17A-Single photograph - news or feature photo

Diane Joy Schmidt

Anti-Israel boycott resolution hits UNM, Student Senate Pushes Back
Honorable Mention

19-Photographer - writer

Diane Joy Schmidt

PJ Library a buoyant success
Honorable Mention

19-Photographer - writer

Wendel Sloan (Portales)

I was a hero in my own disaster; Dear friends, it's been a tough one

First Place

11A-Columns - humorous

Wendel Sloan

Plenty of stories to tell about father; Memories of Jerry, a life changer
Second Place

11B-Columns - general

Wendel Sloan

The shoes of graduation
Second Place

18-Photo Essay

Peter St. Cyr (Albuquerque)

War on sentences

First Place

01A-News story - print-based newspaper

Peter St. Cyr

Dirty politics

Second Place

01A-News story - print-based newspaper

Peter St. Cyr

Transformation

Third Place

01A-News story - print-based newspaper

Peter St. Cyr
Rising stars
Second Place
01A-News story - print-based newspaper

Peter St. Cyr
State senator resigns under pressure
Honorable Mention
02-Continuing coverage or unfolding news

Peter St. Cyr
Green rush, pot of gold
Second Place
03-Investigative reporting

Peter St. Cyr
Sworn to secrecy, pot applicants kept secret, reversing course, for the record, information
pothole
First Place
04-Enterprise reporting

Claudette Sutton (Santa Fe)
Where is our child care now?
First Place
08B-Feature story - magazine, newsletter, etc

Claudette Sutton
A different Jew; Two Jews in World War II Shanghai
Third Place
10J-Specialty articles - history

Claudette Sutton
False spring, real learning: El Niño at home
First Place
11B-Columns - general

Diane Thomas (Santa Fe)
In Wilderness
First Place
56-Novels for adult readers

Rene Thompson (Albuquerque)

Payday lenders' giving pays off at Roundhouse
Third Place
01A-News story - print-based newspaper

Rene Thompson
Vast amounts of N.M. campaign cash can't be tracked
Honorable Mention
03-Investigative reporting

James Tritten (Corrales)

The story of a U.S. Navy S-2 tracker that lost one engine, at night, in bad weather, off Norway
Honorable Mention
08C-Feature story - online publication

James Tritten
The Mask
First Place
60A-Short stories - single story

James Tritten
New realities: Adjusting to new realities
Honorable Mention
63-Essay, chapter, or section of a book

James Tritten
Dad, I'm on an All-Plant Diet
Honorable Mention
63-Essay, chapter or section of a book

Jasmine Tritten (Corrales)

The Journey of an Adventuresome Dane
Honorable Mention
57A-Nonfiction books for adult readers - biography or autobiography

Kelly Urig (Albuquerque)

New Mexico Chiles: History, Legend and Lore
First Place
57F-Nonfiction books for adult readers - general nonfiction

Ross Van Dusen (Los Ranchos)

How the Crocka dog came to be
First Place
58A-Children's books – fiction

Ross Van Dusen
What Makes a Rainbow?
Second Place
58B-Children's books - nonfiction

Ross Van Dusen
What Makes a Snowflake?
First Place
58B-Children's books - nonfiction

Patricia Walkow (Corrales)
The Far Moist End of the Earth
Second Place
60A-Short Stories - single story

Patricia Walkow
Currents, Corrales Writing Group 2015 Anthology
Second Place
60C-Short stories – Collection of short stories edited or published by entrant

Patricia Walkow
Currents, Corrales Writing Group 2015 Anthology
Second Place
64-Book edited by entrant

Catherine Wanek (Hillsboro)
The Art of Natural Building: Design, Construction, Resources
First Place
64-Book edited by entrant

Karen Wentworth (Albuquerque)
People in Southwest valued caffeine even in 750 AD
Second Place
10E-Specialty articles - education

Karen Wentworth
A look at parasites and pregnancy rates in Tsimano women
Third Place
10E-Specialty articles - education

Karen Wentworth
Molecular computing at UNM; A look at parasites and pregnancy
Second Place
10P-Specialty articles - science or technology

Leora Zeitlin (Las Cruces)

In the footsteps of Piatigorsky: An interview with Evan Drachman

Honorable Mention

24-Interview - radio or television

Leora Zeitlin

Robert Bonfiglio, the “Paganini of the Harmonica” performs in Las Cruces

Second Place

24-Interview - radio or television