

2024 NMPW Communications Contest Winners

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| Rosa | Armijo-Pemble | Honorable Mention | 15A - Single story | Just Care: A Lesson in Possibilities |
| Glenda | Balas | 1st Place | 63 - Faculty Adviser of Student Publication, Station or Site | UNT Dallas Arts Journal |
| Glenda | Balas | 1st Place | 46A Internal Communications | Communication Day |
| Jennifer | Black | 1st Place | 37B - Corporate or for-profit | Into the Weave |
| Jennifer | Black | 1st Place | 41B - Video for nonprofit or government organization | How Food Banks Work |
| Jennifer | Black | 2nd Place | 15A - Single story | Heatstroke |
| Jennifer | Black | 2nd Place | 41B - Video for nonprofit or government organization | The History of Placitas Fire Brigade |
| Scott | Brocato | 2nd Place | 28A - Radio | P.A.W.S. Program provides healing for both dogs and prison inmates |
| Scott | Brocato | 3rd Place | 29A - Radio | Fifteen residents of Anthony, NM file a lawsuit to remove the city's mayor |
| Gency | Brown | 1st Place | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | A Right Fine Life |
| Michael | Burgan | 2nd Place | 10B - Newsletter/other publication, nonprofit, government or educational | The New Mexico Writer |
| Michael | Burgan | 3rd Place | 19C - Newsletter/other publication - non-profit, government, or educational | The New Mexico Writer |
| Sherri | Burr | 1st Place | 57 - Speech | "The Underground Railroad: A Journey from Slavery to Freedom" |
| Sherri | Burr | 1st Place | 06A - 750 words or fewer | The Writing Life: Diana Gabadon (page 8) |
| Sherri | Burr | 1st Place | 08B - Humorous | "The Writing Life: Grace" (pages 4-5) |
| Sherri | Burr | 1st Place | 08A - General | "The Writing Life: Spare" (page 9) |
| Sherri | Burr | 2nd Place | 04 - Editorial/Opinion | "Problematic Baldwin Case Could Have Been Even Worse Worse at Trial" |
| Sherri | Burr | 2nd Place | 08C - Informational (how-to, Q&A, advice) | "The Writing Life: Shifting Priorities" (page 9) |
| Sherri | Burr | Honorable Mention | 17 - Essay, Chapter, or Section in a Book | "My Brothers Guardian" in Holes in Our Heart, pages 32-38 |
| Sherri | Burr | Honorable Mention | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | "The Writing Life: The Yellowstone Universe" (pages 6-7) |
| Linda | Buss | 2nd Place | 13A - Fiction | Cradle in the Wild |
| Joseph | Cappello | Honorable Mention | 15A - Single story | They Only Showed Elvis from the Waist Up |

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| Mia | Casas | 1st Place | 27A - Radio | Actors' union takes its ongoing strike to Netflix North America's studios in Albuquerque |
| Evan | Chandler | 1st Place | 07Q - Social issues | A Light in the Desert |
| Evan | Chandler | 3rd Place | 01A - Print-based newspaper | A Chase for the Charter |
| Evan | Chandler | Honorable Mention | 07C - Business | The Language of Business |
| Mo | Charnot | 1st Place | 03 - In-depth Reporting | Attacked on Campus |
| Mo | Charnot | 3rd Place | 07D - Education | By the Book |
| Tabitha | Clay | 2nd Place | 03 - In-depth Reporting | ABQ Cops Skipped Court, Let Hundreds Go |
| Jonny | Coker | 1st Place | 41A - Web reporting, single news or feature story | Local and federal agencies respond to humanitarian crisis at U.S.-Mexico border |
| Jonny | Coker | 2nd Place | 27A - Radio | Virgin Galactic sends private astronauts to space for the first time |
| Jonny | Coker | Honorable Mention | 28B - Television | Increase in earthquakes rattle Permian Basin communities |
| Mary Lou | Cooper | 1st Place | 29A - Radio | UNM Voices weigh in on anti-semitism and Islamophobia, parts 1 and 2 |
| Mary Lou | Cooper | 3rd Place | 28A - Radio | Doggy DNA: To test or not to test, Parts 1 and 2 |
| Mary Lou | Cooper | Honorable Mention | 30A - Radio | Los Alamos National Laboratory releases new documentary on J. Robert Oppenheimer, parts 1 and 2 |
| Stan | Cooper | 1st Place | 08C - Informational (how-to, Q&A, advice) | Newsletter: Ask Stan Medicare Questions |
| KC | Counts | 1st Place | 32A - Radio | KRWG News for Wednesday, November 8 at 6:45 a.m. |
| KC | Counts | 2nd Place | 31A - Radio | Voice of the Public with Jennifer Babaie, Director of Advocacy and Legal Services at Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center |
| KC | Counts | Honorable Mention | 30B - Television | Newsmakers 1531 - Las Cruces Public Schools |
| Merilee | Dannemann | 1st Place | 37C - Personal | Resorting to the unthinkable |
| Merilee | Dannemann | 2nd Place | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | Tragedies continue at CYFD |
| Alex | De Vore | 2nd Place | 06B - More than 750 words | Branching Lines |
| Alex | De Vore | Honorable Mention | 07E - Food | Yes, Chef |
| Alex | De Vore | Honorable Mention | 07B - Arts and entertainment | "I Always Have a Next" |
| Jeanette | DeDios | 1st Place | 28A - Radio | Federal commissioners come to Albuquerque to hear from families of missing and murdered Indigenous people |

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| Sonja | Dewing | 1st Place | 15C - Collection of short stories written by multiple authors | ThrillHers |
| Bill | Diven | Honorable Mention | 08A - General | Aspens Blooming in the Sandias |
| Susan | Dunlap | 1st Place | 05C - Online publication | A look back at what the last year has wrought |
| William | Fisher | 2nd Place | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | The Price of the Sky |
| Alice | Fordham | Honorable Mention | 27A - Radio | As U.S. Forest Service prescribes more fire, rangers work to convince skeptical New Mexicans |
| Alice | Fordham | Honorable Mention | 28A - Radio | Fake 'sober homes' targeting Native Americans scam millions from taxpayers |
| Sara | Frances | 1st Place | 26 - Book Designed by Entrant | Unplugged Voices: 125 Tales of Art and Life from Northern New Mexico, the Four Corners and the West |
| Jill | Gibson | 1st Place | 07P - Science or technology | Harnessing the Power of the Sun |
| Jill | Gibson | 1st Place | 25B - Magazine or magapaper (newsletter format with magazine-style writing and design) | National Security Science Magazine: The Oppenheimer Issue, Summer 2023 |
| Jill | Gibson | 3rd Place | 05B - Magazine, newsletter/other publication | A blast from the past |
| Julia | Goldberg | 1st Place | 40B - Corporate or for-profit | Morning Word |
| Julia | Goldberg | 1st Place | 01A - Print-based newspaper | AG Torrez Argues State Supreme Court Should Nullify Anti-Abortion Ordinances |
| Julia | Goldberg | 1st Place | 02 - Continuing Coverage or Unfolding News | New Mexico Downwinders |
| Julia | Goldberg | 1st Place | 07G - Government or politics | AG Torrez Says He Won't Defend Governor on Gun Cases |
| Julia | Goldberg | 1st Place | 07H - Green/environmental | Electric Futures |
| Julia | Goldberg | 1st Place | 07M - Physical health (fitness, diet, clean lifestyle) | Santa Fe Hospitals Report Increase in COVID-19 Patients |
| Julia | Goldberg | Honorable Mention | 05A - Print-based newspaper | Community and Catharsis |
| Julia | Goldberg | Honorable Mention | 07K - Obituary (expanded from a regular obituary) | Former NM Gov. Bill Richardson Dies at 75 |
| Julia | Goldberg | Honorable Mention | 07O - Reviews (any subject, must express a personal opinion) | Shadow and Light |
| Janet | Greger | Honorable Mention | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | Bungle in the Jungle |
| Janet | Greger | Honorable Mention | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | Escape from a Dark Cave |

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| Janet | Greger | Honorable Mention | 13A - Fiction | Come Fly with Elf |
| Regina | Griego | 1st Place | 36 - Podcast | Dr. Regina Griego - Transcending Futures |
| Regina | Griego | 1st Place | 06B - More than 750 words | An Interview with Author Regina Griego |
| Regina | Griego | 2nd Place | 06A - 750 words or fewer | Writing for Healing and Social Change |
| Emily | Guerra | 2nd Place | 29A - Radio | Fountain Theatre to Showcase film on Holocaust Survivors who found refuge in Cuba |
| Emily | Guerra | 3rd Place | 31A - Radio | Puentes: The Importance of Latina Leadership on the U.S./Mexico Border |
| Emily | Guerra | Honorable Mention | 30A - Radio | Dolores Huerta - Si, Se Puede! - Yes, We Can! |
| Kathryn | Hammel | Honorable Mention | 15B - Collection of short stories written by entrant | Mighty CAL: The Campus Analytics Laboratory Stories |
| Katy | Hammel | 1st Place | 15A - Single story | Where the Wild Things Still Are |
| Katy | Hammel | Honorable Mention | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | The Kitten: A Kerrie Rasmussen, Attorney at Law Yarn |
| Elizabeth | Hardin-Burrola | 1st Place | 01C - Online publication | New archive of Santa Fe clergy abuse documents hailed as unprecedented |
| Elizabeth | Hardin-Burrola | 1st Place | 07N - Religion | Navajo Catholics upset after Franciscans transfer historic mission to local diocese |
| Mike | Hays | 2nd Place | 17 - Essay, Chapter, or Section in a Book | So Many Wars (under nom de plume of M. Elder Hays) |
| Natalie | Hegert | 1st Place | 19B - Magazine/Magapaper (newspaper format with magazine-style writing and design) | New Mexico Field Guide 2023 |
| Natalie | Hegert | 3rd Place | 07O - Reviews (any subject, must express a personal opinion) | Will You Break Your Silence and Scream? Nicholas Galanin Wants to Know |
| Susan | Hering | 1st Place | 40A - Nonprofit, government, or educational | "Bethlehem" |
| Allen | Herring | 3rd Place | 15A - Single story | Wallflowers |
| Kathleen | Hessler | 1st Place | 07L - Personal essay | Precious Penny |
| Anne | Hillerman | 3rd Place | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | The Way of the Bear |
| Patricia | Hodapp | 1st Place | 17 - Essay, Chapter, or Section in a Book | Ahh, Paris |
| Saleema | Ishq | Honorable Mention | 15A - Single story | Fate's Timepiece: A Gripping Psychological Suspense Short Story |
| Steve | Jansen | 3rd Place | 07B - Arts and entertainment (enter reviews in 7O) | CCA Santa Fe, Weeks After Announcing Permanent Closure, to Partially Reopen. But Should It? |

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| Nash | Jones | 3rd Place | 27A - Radio | Youth legislative session builds civic knowledge and confidence of NM high schoolers |
| Scott | Jones | Honorable Mention | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | Alphabetic Karma |
| MEGAN | KAMERICK | 3rd Place | 30A - Radio | Author details the nuclear 'colonization' of New Mexico |
| Stuart | Kelter | 2nd Place | 36 - Podcast | Ethical Complexities in Assisted Dying |
| Stuart | Kelter | 3rd Place | 36 - Podcast | The Big Myth: The Big Myth: How American Business Taught Us to Loathe Government and Love the Free Market |
| Stuart | Kelter | Honorable Mention | 36 - Podcast | An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom |
| Iris | Keltz | 1st Place | 04 - Editorial/Opinion | How roses grow from blood |
| iris | keltz | 2nd Place | 30A - Radio | A moral Compass in Israel & Palestine: A Conversation between A Jewish & Palestinian American |
| iris | keltz | Honorable Mention | 04 - Editorial/Opinion | A Moral Compass in Israel/Palestine |
| Tara | Lumpkin | 1st Place | 34A - Nonprofit, government or educational | Voices for Biodiversity |
| Andy | Lyman | 2nd Place | 07G - Government or politics | Win, Lose or Runoff |
| Angelina | Malone | 1st Place | 38A - Nonprofit, government or educational | Talkin' Tamales - local experts share tips and tricks for enjoying this holiday favorite |
| Angelina | Malone | 1st Place | 39A - Nonprofit, government or educational | KRWG Public Media Social Media pages |
| Angelina | Malone | 2nd Place | 34A - Nonprofit, government or educational website | https://www.krwg.org/ |
| Vicki | Mayhew | 1st Place | 13A - Fiction | How the Unicorn Said Goodbye |
| Arin | McKenna | 1st Place | 39B - Corporate or for-profit | Facebook Manager for Anne Hillerman |
| Arin | McKenna | 1st Place | 54 - News or Feature Release – Single Release | NNMC Board of Regents Vice President Erica Rita Velarde Celebrates her daughter's graduation from her Alma Mater |
| Arin | McKenna | 2nd Place | 54 - News or Feature Release – Single Release | Northern New Mexico College Assistant Basketball Coach Tj Stukes Competes in "Squid Game: The Challenge" |
| Arin | McKenna | 2nd Place | 50 - Audiovisuals | Anne Hillerman on the Paleontology in "The Way of the Bear" |
| Elaine | Montague | 1st Place | 37A - Nonprofit, government or educational | MUSINGS OF A LOCKED-OUT WIFE |
| Elaine | Montague | Honorable Mention | 16A - Single poem | Marionettes |

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| Elaine | Montague | Honorable Mention | 07B - Arts and entertainment (enter reviews in 70) | Let's Network! |
| Anthony | Moreno | 1st Place | 31B - Television | Fronteras 1323 - Conversation with Denise Chávez |
| Kaveh | Mowahed | 1st Place | 31A - Radio | Let's talk curtailing crime |
| Paula | Nixon | 3rd Place | 04 - Editorial/Opinion | To honor veterans, listen to their stories |
| Karen | Petersen | 1st Place | 16C - Chapbook of poetry | Trembling |
| Noah | Raess | 1st Place | 59B - Television | Border trade fueling Santa Teresa's growth in southern New Mexico |
| Noah | Raess | 2nd Place | 59B - Television | Racecar driver inspires on and off the track |
| Noah | Raess | 2nd Place | 59A - Radio | Las Cruces sees rise in unlawful fentanyl use |
| Sherry | Robinson | 1st Place | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | FEMA not helping disaster victims for 20 years |
| Sherry | Robinson | 1st Place | 07I - History | Georgia Volunteers in the Mexican-American War, 1846-1848 |
| Sherry | Robinson | 1st Place | 19C - Newsletter/other publication - non-profit, government, or educational | La Cronica |
| Sherry | Robinson | 3rd Place | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | Virgin Galactic shows the world that safety is everything |
| Sherry | Robinson | Honorable Mention | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | Asha can't be a regular wolf |
| Sherry | Robinson | Honorable Mention | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | NMSU betrays parents, athletes |
| Sherry | Robinson | Honorable Mention | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | In Southwest Airlines meltdown execs forgot founder's wisdom |
| Sherry | Robinson | Honorable Mention | 19C - Newsletter/other publication - non-profit, government, or educational | La Cronica |
| Glen | Rosales | 2nd Place | 02 - Continuing Coverage or Unfolding News | Pot Regulators Hammer Native Owned Pot Farm in Hearing |
| Elizabeth | Rose | Honorable Mention | 15B - Collection of short stories written by entrant | The Long, The Short and the Tall/Tales of a New American |
| Elizabeth | Rose | Honorable Mention | 16A - Single poem | listening for your return |
| Leonie | Rosenstiel | 1st Place | 10B - Newsletter/other publication, nonprofit, government or educational | The Broadsheet |
| Leonie | Rosenstiel | 3rd Place | 02 - Continuing Coverage or Unfolding News | AI |
| Leonie | Rosenstiel | Honorable Mention | 17 - Essay, Chapter, or Section in a Book | Military Patterns |

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| Leonie | Rosenstiel | Honorable Mention | 36 - Podcast | The Reality of Guardianship |
| Janet | Ruth | 1st Place | 16A - Single poem | A Fine Kettle of Poem-Fish |
| Janet | Ruth | 2nd Place | 16A - Single poem | Lot's Wife |
| Diane | Schmidt | 3rd Place | 08A - General | Coyote tosses the stars |
| Diane | Schmidt | 3rd Place | 07L - Personal essay | Wounded Healing |
| Diane | Schmidt | Honorable Mention | 04 - Editorial/Opinion | Americans must come together against hatred |
| Diane | Schmidt | Honorable Mention | 08D - Personal opinion (bylined, not editorial) | To find oneself through another |
| Kathy | Schuit | 2nd Place | 19C - Newsletter/other publication - non-profit, government, or educational | SouthWest SAGE, September 2023 |
| Kathy | Schuit | 3rd Place | 17 - Essay, Chapter, or Section in a Book | Weightless |
| Margaret | Shannon | Honorable Mention | 12B - Biography or History | Abbey-Ashman: Two Colonial and Pioneering Families of North America, Volume 2, The Alden Ancestors |
| Anna | Sochocky | 2nd Place | 05B - Magazine, newsletter/other publication | Trauma to Trust |
| Anna | Sochocky | Honorable Mention | 07A - Agriculture (agribusiness, aquaculture) | Suffering from Sand Colic |
| Anson Mark | Stevens-Bollen Tiarks | 1st Place | 24A - Graphics | Life With Less Water |
| | | 1st Place | 07O - Reviews (any subject, must express a personal opinion) | Ailyn Pérez a force of nature in Santa Fe Opera's 'Rusalka' |
| Mark | Tiarks | 1st Place | 07B - Arts and entertainment (enter reviews in 7O) | Get a Taste of Old Granddad No. 4 |
| Mark | Tiarks | 2nd Place | 07O - Reviews (any subject, must express a personal opinion) | A hit-and-miss for 'Tosca' at Santa Fe Opera |
| Mark | Tiarks | 2nd Place | 07B - Arts and entertainment (enter reviews in 7O) | Mothers Who Murder |
| Mark | Tiarks | Honorable Mention | 07B - Arts and entertainment (enter reviews in 7O) | Frozen |
| Mark | Tiarks | Honorable Mention | 07B - Arts and entertainment (enter reviews in 7O) | Class with a Master |
| Jasmine | Tritten | 2nd Place | 07M - Physical health (fitness, diet, clean lifestyle) | When Life Turns |
| Jasmine | Tritten | Honorable Mention | 07L - Personal essay | Trickles in Paris |
| Jim | Tritten | 1st Place | 20 - Book Edited by Entrant | Holes in Our Hearts |
| Jim | Tritten | 1st Place | 07T - Travel | Papal Blessings |
| Jim | Tritten | 2nd Place | 01C - Online publication | Holes in Our Hearts Goes Statewide |

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| Jim | Tritten | 2nd Place | 07L - Personal essay | Living with an Alien |
| Jim | Tritten | 3rd Place | 07I - History | Elusive Answers |
| Christian | Valle | 1st Place | 29B - Television | Clara Belle Williams: New Mexico Pioneer in Education |
| Christian | Valle | Honorable Mention | 30B - Television | Trails of Enchantment: Cooking Tamales with Juan |
| Khadijah | VanBrakle | 1st Place | 14A - Fiction | Fatima Tate Takes The Cake |
| Andrea | Vázquez | 2nd Place | 29B - Television | "Because You Are An American-El Paso Author Wally Mayer Cech |
| Patrica | Walkow | 1st Place | 12A - Autobiography or Memoir | Life Lessons From the Color Yellow |
| Patrica | Walkow | Honorable Mention | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | Alchemy's Reach |
| Josiah | Ward | 2nd Place | 01A - Print-based newspaper | ABQ Struggles to Collect Fins From Speed Cameras |
| Betty | Williamson | 1st Place | 07R - Sports | Secretariat made me a fan back in 1973 |
| Betty | Williamson | 2nd Place | 07I - History | Remembering a veteran |
| Betty | Williamson | 2nd Place | 08A - General | Old camping trailer turned time capsule houses handful of treasures |
| Betty | Williamson | 2nd Place | 08B - Humorous | Betty defeats the pesky miller moths |
| Betty | Williamson | 3rd Place | 06B - More than 750 words | Buck Wilson: The Greatest Greyhound |
| Betty | Williamson | Honorable Mention | 05A - Print-based newspaper | It's a holly, jolly tamale season |
| SouthWest | Writers | 2nd Place | 15C - Collection of short stories written by multiple authors | Holes in Our Hearts |
| SouthWest | Writers | 3rd Place | 15C - Collection of short stories written by multiple authors | Woven Pathways |
| Gerold | Yonas | Honorable Mention | 11A - Novels (More than 40,000 words) | The Dragon's CLAW |
| Leora | Zeitlin | 1st Place | 30A - Radio | Chess and music: A two-part interview with national chess master Lior Lapid |
| Leora | Zeitlin | Honorable Mention | 30A - Radio | LCSO features "celestial music" this weekend |