

Arizona Press Club 2005 Awards Competition for the Best Journalism in Arizona

Best of Design

ELIGIBILITY

The contest is open to anyone who regularly works in the production of news for any Arizona newspaper, periodical or news service. Trade publications, student media and house organs do not qualify.

Entries must have been originally published in 2005. All entries must be produced for the editorial department of an Arizona publication, news Web site or wire service. Work produced for advertising, marketing or other departments is not eligible.

A majority of the stories in a series must have been published in the contest year. Online entries are eligible providing they were published under the auspices of an Arizona newspaper, periodical or news service.

Stories that comprise a project can be reported and written by a single news outlet or by more than one Arizona media outlet — i.e., two newspapers within a chain — working together. Stories partially or fully reported or written by newspapers not based in Arizona are not eligible.

ENTRY FEES

- Dailies under 35,000 circulation and non-dailies under 75,000 circulation: \$10/person contest fee plus \$5 for each entry.
- Dailies with circulation of 35,000 and over, non-dailies with circulation of 75,000 and over: \$30/person contest fee plus \$10 for each entry.

NOTE: If a smaller publication is distributed inside a large circulation publication, use the circulation of the larger publication in order to determine which category to enter.

IMPORTANT CHANGE REGARDING MULTIPLE BYLINES

Entries with at least five contributors may be submitted as a staff entry at an entry fee of \$50. No individuals may be named on the entry form and winning certificates will list only “staff,” not individual names. If you want multiple individuals listed on certificates and in the contest winners’ brochure, each person listed on the entry form must pay a separate category entry fee (\$5 per person for small- and mid-sized publications and \$10 per person for large publications) as well as a one-time contest entry fee (\$10 per person for small- and mid-sized publications and \$30 per person for large publications. The contest fee needs to be paid only once, while the category entry fee needs to be paid for each category entered).

Other fees

- Community Journalist of the Year: \$10.
- Virg Hill Journalist, Photojournalist and Designer of the Year awards: \$25.

Unpaid or improperly submitted entries will be disqualified and entry fees will not be refunded.

DEADLINE

Entries must be received at the Press Club post office box by Jan. 23 unless entrants make special arrangements with contest chair Jill Jordan Spitz (jspitz@azstarnet.com or 520-573-4177) in advance. Entries will not be opened until the Thursday before the Jan. 28 pack-up day and only by the contest chair. Mail entries to: Arizona Press Club, PO Box 16427, Phoenix AZ 85011-6427

JUDGING

Entries will be judged by out-of-state journalists selected by the board of directors. Judges' decisions are final, unless winning entries do not conform to rules.

AWARDS CEREMONY

Winners will be announced at the annual awards banquet, May 6, 2006 at the Heard Museum in Phoenix.

GENERAL RULES

Ethics and disqualification

The Arizona Press Club promotes ethical journalism and recognizes that contest rules cannot envision every potential breach of professional standards. The club reserves the right to disqualify any entry or withdraw any award, based on ethical violations or violations of the rules as noted in the rules, as deemed by the board. Entries that do not conform to the rules will be disqualified. If an entry is disqualified, the prize will be awarded to the next place winner. Disqualified entrants will forfeit their entry fees.

Circulation categories

A - Small: Daily and non-daily newspapers with circulation less than 35,000.

B - Medium: Any publication with circulation up to 75,000.

C - Any publication: No circulation restrictions. Includes wire services.

Note: If an entry has material that appeared in two or more publications under the same ownership, the combined circulation of those publications must be used to determine the proper category. A daily newspaper is published five or more days a week.

(NOTE: If a smaller publication is distributed inside a large circulation publication, use the circulation of the larger publication in order to determine which category to enter.)

Grievance policy

For problems, concerns and complaints about the contest, the contest chairperson shall notify the Grievance Committee, which is the president and executive officers. The committee will rule on the matter or forward it to the full Press Club board for final approval.

Disclaimer

The Arizona Press Club is not responsible for lost, mislaid or damaged entries but will take reasonable care processing the entries.

AWARDS

- If more than one person contributed to a winning entry, each person will receive a certificate and a share of the money.
- If two entries tie for first place, the award money will be split between the winners.
- If there is a tie for first place, no second-place award is given. If there is a tie for second, no third-place award is given.
- First place is \$100 and an award and a certificate.
- Second place is a certificate.
- Third place is a certificate.

ENTRY PROCEDURES

- Entries must be submitted exactly as they were published.
- Nominating letters will be allowed in the following categories only:
Breaking news reporting, Don Bolles Award, Virg Hill Award, Photographer of the Year, Designer of the Year and Community Journalist of the Year.
- All entries must include a signed entry form. The form is the last two pages of this document and may be copied. If more than one person contributed to an entry, only one of the entrants or a representative has to sign. List headlines completely to help identify entries.
- Enter as many times and in as many categories as desired. However, no story, photo or design may be submitted more than once, except the Virg Hill Award, Community Journalist of the Year, Photographer of the Year, Designer of the Year and other exceptions as noted.
- Entries must be neatly packaged in an 8 1/2 x 11-inch file folder with a completed entry form stapled to the outside. Larger folders are allowed for Virg Hill entries. Do not staple the folder shut. Please do not use more than two staples to affix the entry form to the folder.
- **Spanish-language publications can enter any category provided that — except in Spanish-language writing categories — all stories, headlines and captions are translated into English.**

- Entries will not be returned.

ENTRY PREPARATION (PLEASE NOTE – THIS IS A CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR!!!!!!)

Submit tearsheets of each entry. Even if design to be entered does not fill an entire page, please include the full page if at all possible.

CONTEST CATEGORIES

ART AND DESIGN QUESTIONS?

Contact Jill Jordan Spitz at (520) 573-4177 or jspitz@azstarnet.com

F. ANY PUBLICATION — ART

Note: Graphics and illustration entries must include stories they accompanied.

F1. Graphics

Any informational graphics — such as maps, charts, graphs or tables — designed to tell a story or illustrate information in a story.

F2. Color illustration

Any art or illustration, other than photographs, designed to augment an article's impact.

F3. Editorial cartooning

Each cartoon is a single entry.

DESIGN

A. SMALL NEWSPAPERS — DAILY AND NON-DAILY NEWSPAPERS WITH CIRCULATION UP TO 35,000

A11. Layout/design

A full page or double truck from any section of the newspaper dealing with a single topic or packaging a variety of unrelated stories and art.

B. MEDIUM NEWSPAPERS, ANY PUBLICATION WITH CIRCULATION UP TO 75,000

B11. Layout/design

A full page or double truck from any section of the newspaper dealing with a single topic or packaging a variety of unrelated stories and art.

G. ANY PUBLICATION — NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE DESIGN

G1. Deadline design

A single page or package, from any section, in which all elements are built on a single shift.

G2. Non-deadline news design

A single news page or package not built on deadline

G3. Non-deadline features design

A single page features page or package not built on design.

G4. Multiple-page/special section design

A double truck or other multiple-page design from any section or a special section that contains editorial rather than advertorial content and is produced by the editorial rather than the advertising or marketing staff. Note: Individual pages and/or double trucks from a special section entered in this category also may be entered in the non-deadline design category.

G5. Magazine design

Treatment of a single article in a newspaper magazine (for example, an entertainment tab) or glossy magazine.

G6. Magazine cover

Black and white or color cover in a newspaper magazine (for example, an entertainment tab) or glossy magazine.

ARIZONA DESIGNER OF THE YEAR

- AWARD: \$250
- ENTRY FEE: \$25

Designer of the Year goes to the designer who, in the opinion of the judges, has done the best work during 2005.

- Entries should include six examples of a designer's work, one of which can be a multiple-page design or a project or series.
- Entries also should include a one-page letter explaining the qualities of the individual's work
- Pages entered in the Designer of the Year also may be entered in other categories.
- The winner will receive \$250 and an award vase, first runner up - an award vase and second runner up - a certificate.

Past winners

2004 — Chris Kozlowski, The Arizona Republic

Arizona Press Club 2005 Entry Form

Category Name and Number _____

Headlines and dates of publication. Every headline in the entry must be listed, with the date of publication following. For example: "Dog bites man" (1-24), "Man bites back" (2-3)

Name of entrant _____

Publication _____

Home Phone _____ Cell phone _____

E-mail _____ Business phone _____

Eligibility Certification

I certify that I am eligible for membership in the Arizona Press Club and have paid all applicable contest fees. IN ENTERING THIS CONTEST, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ALL DECISIONS REGARDING THE QUALIFICATIONS AND JUDGING OF ENTRIES AND THE ASSIGNMENT OF AWARDS IS DONE AT THE COMPLETE AND SOLE DISCRETION OF THE ARIZONA PRESS CLUB. IF AN ENTRY IS DISQUALIFIED, I MAY APPEAL THE DECISION TO THE BOARD OF THE ARIZONA PRESS CLUB, WHOSE DECISION CONCERNING THE APPEAL SHALL BE FINAL. IN ENTERING THE PRESS CLUB CONTEST, I HEREBY RELEASE THE PRESS CLUB, ITS BOARD, OFFICERS AND AGENTS FROM ANY LOSS, CLAIM, DAMAGE OR INJURY THAT I MAY SUFFER FROM ENTERING OR PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTEST. BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE LANGUAGE AND AGREE TO ITS TERMS.

NOTE: Journalists who work in the production of news for any Arizona newspaper, periodical or news service are eligible Press Club members.

Signature _____

Date _____

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(To be filled out by publication, or individual if not entering as a group; choose one)

1. Dailies under 35,000 circulation and non-dailies under 75,000 circulation. (NOTE: If a smaller publication is distributed inside a large circulation publication, use the circulation of the larger publication in order to determine which category to enter.)

A. No. of people entering _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

B. No. of regular entries _____ x \$5 = \$ _____

C. No of staff entries _____ x \$50 = \$ _____

D. Virg Hill/POY/DOY _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

E. Comm Journalist _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE (A+B+C+D+E): \$ _____

2. Dailies with circulation of 35,000 and over, nondailies with circulation of 75,000 and over.

A. No. of people entering _____ x \$30 = \$ _____

B. No. of regular entries _____ x \$10 = \$ _____

C. Staff entries _____ x \$50 = \$ _____

D. Virg Hill/POY/DOY _____) _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

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