

2019 E.B. Craney Award Finalists		Made possible by the Montana Broadcasters Association and the Greater Montana Foundation		
(Listed in random order)				
Category	Call Letters	Headline or Title	Station Name	Credits
Non-Commercial Radio Program of the Year	KUFM	Alex not Amy-Growing up Transgender in the Rural West	Montana Public Radio	Denise Dowling (Reporter/Producer)
Non-Commercial Radio Program of the Year	KEMC	Field Days	Yellowstone Public Radio	Sarah Brown (Host/Producer)
Radio Commercial	KGGL	Robb Reel - Radio Commercials - Treasure State Tree, RS Aesthetics, Magic Touch	Cherry Creek Media	Robb Reel (Program Director/Producer)
Radio Commercial	KOFI - KZMN - KOLK	ERNIE DOES THE WAVE	KOFI INC.	Brian Braunberger (Sales / Producer / Voice)
Radio Copywriter	KBLL	Legal Tender Pub and Bistro	The Montana Radio Company	Kevin Skaalure (AE)
Radio Copywriter	KWGF	Maid In Montana	Staradio	Jesse Drahos (Jock)
Radio News Story	KGVO	Miracle Rescue of Baby Abandoned in Woods	Town Square Media	Peter Christian (News Anchor)
Radio News Story	KMON-AM, KMON-FM, KAAK-FM	Civil Emergency - Flood 2019	Cherry Creek Media	Dan Manella (SVP-GM)
Radio Newscast of the Year	KGVO	2019 Radio Newscast of the Year Peter Christian KGVO Missoula	Town Square Media	Peter Christian (News Anchor)
Radio Newscast of the Year	KWGF-FM	Minute-To-Minute News Update	STARadio	Troy Mellinger
Radio On-Air Broadcaster of the Year	KBAZ	KC Blaze Radio 2019	Townsquare Media-Missoula	KC (Host)
Radio On-Air Broadcaster of the Year	KZOQ	KZOQ Missoula The Brian & Chris Show On Air Broadcasters Of The Year 2019	KZOQ Missoula Cherry Creek Radio	Brian Lee (Host), Chris Wolfe (Host)
Radio Program of the Year	KWMY	Boomers	Connoisseur Media	Lynne Turner Fitzgerald (Executive Producer)
Radio Program of the Year	KOJM-AM	KOJM - Today In Music History	New Media Broadcasters	Donald Thoma (Producer / Production Director)
Radio Public Service	KYSS	KYSSMAS for Kids	Townsquare Media	Ryan Nelson (KYSS Brand Manager)
Radio Public Service	KIMO, KMXM, KBLL, KZMT, KMT	Shop Local Helena	The Montana Radio Company	Angela Terry (copywriter), Whitney Dorr (copywriter/ producer), Scott Keith (producer), Jim Diamond (producer)
Radio Sports Coverage	KOJM KPQX KRYK	Radio Sports Coverage	New Media Broadcasters	Ron Bruschi (Sports Director)
Radio Sports Coverage	KKVU - HD4	Tootell and Nuanez - ESPN - Sports Coverage Submission	Missoula Broadcasting Co.	Ryan Tootell (PD/Host), Colter Nuanez (Host)
Radio Sportscaster of the Year	KBOW-AM	Paul Panisko Radio Sportscaster of the Year submission	Butte Broadcasting	Paul Panisko
Radio Sportscaster of the Year	KOJM KPQX KRYK	Radio Sportscaster of the Year	New Media Broadcasters	Ron Bruschi (Sports Director)
Radio Station Promotion	KMBR/KAAR	Mining City Legends & Legacies-Red Cross-Carin Sullivan-KMBR-KAAR	Cherry Creek Media	Carin Sullivan (Program Director/OM)
Radio Station Promotion	KGGL	Robb Reel - Radio Promotion - If... Your Station	Cherry Creek Media	Robb Reel (Program Director/Producer)
Radio Website of the Year	KUFM	mtpr.org	Montana Public Radio	Josh Burnham (Digital Editor)
Radio Website of the Year	KAMM	KAMM Website of the Year	Townsquare Media	Angel Hughes (Brand Manager)
Non-Commercial Television Program of the Year	MontanaPBS	Backroads of Montana: Speed of Sound	MontanaPBS-Missoula	Gus Chambers (Producer), John Twiggs (Producer), William Marcus (Producer), Ray Ekness (Producer)

Non-Commercial Television Program of the Year	KUFM-TV	Safe Enough?	MontanaPBS	Anna Rau (Producer/Writer/Editor)
Television Breaking News	KECI	Homes evacuated as major flooding hits western Montana	NBC Montana	NBC Montana News Team
Television Breaking News	KRTV	Sun River Flooding - Breaking News KRTV Team Coverage 6_18_18	Cordillera Communications	Eric Gaylord (News Director), Shannon Newth (Anchor/Producer), Tim McGonigal (Anchor/Producer), Jason Laird (Weather)
Television Commercial	KWYB	UM Western, Horsemanship - UM Western, Experience One - Stifel Future of Business in MT	KHBB	Frank Palazzi (Production Manager)
Television Commercial	KTVQ	Q2 Creative Services Commercials	Cordillera	Crystal Meeks (Creative Services Manager)
Television Feature News	KTMF	You Are My Sunshine	Cowles Montana Media	Shaun Rainey (Sports Director)
Television Feature News	KTVQ	Feature Story - Heart Mountain Pilgrimage	KTVQ Communications	Zoe Zandora (Reporter/Writer), Justin Hosa (Photographer/Editor)
Television Hard News	KECI	YMCA closes day care after meth found	NBC Montana	NBC Montana News Team
Television Hard News	KFBB	Flooding Across MT	Cowles Montana Media	Megan Lewis (Director)
Television Newscast of the Year	KPAX TV	KPAX TV 530 Newscast MT Broadcasters 2019	KPAX TV	Melissa Rafferty (Executive Producer)
Television Newscast of the Year	KTVQ	KTVQ 5:30 News E.B. Craney Television Newscast Of The Year Entry	KTVQ Communications	KTVQ-2 News Team
Television On-Air Broadcaster of the Year	KPAX	Jill Valley--On-Air Broadcaster of the Year	KPAX TV	Jill Valley (Anchor/reporter)
Television On-Air Broadcaster of the Year	KECI	Maritsa Georgiou - Television Broadcaster	NBC Montana	Maritsa Georgiou (Anchor)
Television Program of the Year	KTMF	Second Chance	Cowles Montana Media	Sarah Gravlee (Statewide Content Coordinator)
Television Program of the Year	KPAX	Humor and Harmony: The John Dunnigan Story	KPAX	Jill Valley (Producer / Reporter / Writer), James Rafferty (Producer / Editor / Photographer)
Television Public Service	KTMF	The Nate Chute Foundation "Save A Life"	Cowles Montana Media	Ben Croft (Creative Producer)
Television Public Service	KRTV	WATCH ME	KRTV	Healy Lyons (Producer), Shirstie Gaylord (Photographer/Editor)
Television Sports Story or Series	KTMF	The Wrestler	Cowles Montana Media	Shaun Rainey (Sports Director), Joe Lesar (Photographer), Blake Koemans (Photographer)
Television Sports Story or Series	KTVQ	NEED FOR SPEED	KTVQ Communications	Brandon Sullivan (Reporter)
Television Sportscaster of the Year	KRTV	Tom Wylie - Sportscaster of the Year	KRTV	Tom Wylie (Sports Director)
Television Sportscaster of the Year	KTMF	Shaun Rainey TV Sportscaster of the Year Reel	Cowles Montana Media	Shaun Rainey (Sports Director)
Television Station Promotion	KBZK TV	KBZK News Promotion	KXLF Communications	James Sally (Producer/Director/Editor)
Television Station Promotion	KPAX, KTVH, KTVQ	James Rafferty E.B. Craney Television Station Promotion	KPAX	James Rafferty (Producer)
Television Weathercaster of the Year	KECI	Mark Heyka - Television Meteorologist	NBC Montana	Mark Heyka (Chief Meteorologist)
Television Weathercaster of the Year	KRTV/ KXLH	Elizabeth Copeland Meteorologist Montana This Morning	Montana Television Network	Elizabeth Copeland (Meteorologist)
Television Website of the Year	KECI	NBCMontana.com News Website	NBC Montana	William Miller (Web Manager), Maria Whisenhunt (Web Producer)
Television Website of the Year	KTVQ	KTVQ Websites	Cordillera Communications	Kendra Fike (Digital Director)

Television Writer - Commercial and Public Service	KFBB	Lewistown Chamber/Enjoy Lewistown - The Land Is Life	Cowles Montana	Lindsay McNay (Copywriter/Producer)
Television Writer - Commercial and Public Service	KBZK	Matt Reid Television Writer	Montana Television Network	Matt Reid (Commercial Production)
Television Writer - News and Long Form Programming	KECI	Cyndy Koures - Television News Writer	NBC Montana	Cyndy Koures (Assistant News Director)
Television Writer - News and Long Form Programming	KECI	Kevin Maki - Television News Writer	NBC Montana	Kevin Maki (Reporter)