

## **SoCal Awards 2026 - Finalists**

### **A. JOURNALISTS OF THE YEAR**

#### **A1. PRINT, over 50,000 circulation**

- \* Gary Baum, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Daniel D'Addario, *Variety*
- \* Rebecca Ellis, *Los Angeles Times*
- \* Michael Idato, *The Sydney Morning Herald*
- \* Mikey O'Connell, *The Hollywood Reporter*

#### **A2. PRINT under 50,000 circulation**

- \* Tabor Brewster, *Beverly Press/Park Labrea News*
- \* Wafic Khalil, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*
- \* Ellen Snortland, *LA Downtown News*
- \* Mark Stefanos, *LA Weekly*
- \* Beau Yarbrough, *Southern California News Group*

#### **A3. TELEVISION JOURNALIST**

- \* Giselle Fernandez, *Spectrum News 1*
- \* Gene Kang, *KTLA5 News*
- \* Robert Kovacik, *NBC Los Angeles*
- \* Mary Beth McDade, *KTLA 5 News*
- \* David Ono, *KABC-TV*

#### **A4. AUDIO JOURNALIST**

- \* Phil Farrar, *KOGO*
- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU Radio*
- \* Ana Garcia, *True Crime News: The Podcast*
- \* Megan Jamerson, *KCRW*
- \* Susan Valot, *Freelance for KCRW*

#### **A5. ONLINE JOURNALIST, tied to an organization**

- \* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*
- \* Nadra Nittle, *The 19th*
- \* Brian Steinberg, *Variety*
- \* Robin Urevich, *Capital & Main*
- \* Alex Weprin, *The Hollywood Reporter*

#### **A6. ONLINE JOURNALIST, independent/freelance**

- \* Chandra Bozelko, *Pop Autopsy*
- \* Rance Collins, *Beverly Press, IndieWire, Los Angeles Magazine, Variety*
- \* Daniel Guss, *DanielGuss.Substack.com*
- \* Lina Lecaro, *Freelance*

\* Leena Taylor, *The Hollywood Reporter*, *Spin*, *Grammy.com*

#### **A7. ENTERTAINMENT JOURNALIST**

\* Seth Abramovitch, *The Hollywood Reporter*

\* Holly Gleason, *HITS/HitsDailyDouble.com*, *POLLSTAR/POLLSTAR.com*

\* Brent Lang, *Variety*

\* Lyndsey Parker, *Lyndsanity*, *Licorice Pizza Records*, *FLOOD*, *Gold Derby*, *Music Connection*

\* Chris Willman, *Variety*

#### **A8. SPORTS JOURNALIST**

\* Michael Duarte, *NBC*

\* Bill Shaikin, *Los Angeles Times*

#### **A9. PHOTOJOURNALIST**

\* Ringo Chiu, *Ringo Chiu Photography*

\* Jill Connelly, *Freelance for De Los*, *Bloomberg*, *Associated Press*, *Reuters*, *EPA*

\* Osceola Refetoff, *PBS SoCal*

#### **A10. VIDEOGRAPHER**

\* Paul Nankivell, *Spectrum News 1*

\* Mark Potts, *Los Angeles Times*

\* Sandra Stojanovic, *Reuters TV*

### **B. ALL MEDIA PLATFORMS Print, Radio, Podcast, TV or Online.**

#### **B1. CONSUMER NEWS or FEATURE**

\* Carrie Arnold, *Noema Magazine*, “How Much Is Your Kidney Worth?”

\* Melissa Michelson, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “First-Timer’s Guide to the FIFA Club World Cup 2025 at the Rose Bowl”

\* Oliver Milman, *Noema Magazine*, “The Cult Of The American Lawn”

\* Rebecca L. Root, *Noema Magazine*, “Would You Eat This Bug To Save The World?”

\* K.J. Yossman, *Variety*, “BBC Crisis Explained: How the Beloved U.K. Broadcaster Walked Into One of the Worst Scandals in Its 100-Year History — and Where It Goes From Here”

#### **B2. FAITH/SPIRITUAL REPORTING**

\* Megan Jamerson, *NPR*, “Muslims in Altadena look for normalcy at the end of Ramadan after mosque burned down”

\* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*, “Trump’s War on ICE-Fearing Catholics”

\* Deborah Netburn, *Los Angeles Times*, “Evangelism and Erewhon: They came to L.A. for the Hollywood dream, then shot to Bible stardom”

\* Anissa Rivera, Sierra van der Brug, *Pasadena Star-News/Los Angeles Daily News*, “At Easter, a message of renewal hits home among fire-weary faithful”

\* Harriet Ryan, Karen Foshay, Michael Ray, *Los Angeles Times*, “How a bullet led this L.A. gang member to the priesthood”

#### **B3. TECHNOLOGY REPORTING**

- \* Susan Karlin, *Fast Company*, “The 32-year-old Colorado cowboy driving to the moon—and eventually Mars”
- \* PBS SoCal Team, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: How This Contraption at UCLA Sent the First DM”
- \* Benjamin Pimentel, *Investor's Business Daily*, “Inside The Quantum Computing Crash Triggered By Nvidia CEO — And What His Upcoming 'Quantum Day' May Bring”
- \* Alex Weprin, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “YouTube Just Ate TV. It's Only Getting Started”
- \* Joe Zadeh, *Noema Magazine*, “The Shrouded, Sinister History Of The Bulldozer”

#### **B4. TRAVEL REPORTING**

- \* Andrew J. Campa, *Los Angeles Times*, “Primm was once an affordable casino mecca for L.A. Now it has become a ghost town.”
- \* Brad A. Johnson, *OLTRE*, “How to Eat Fried Worms”
- \* Christopher Reynolds, *Los Angeles Times*, “It's 43 hours from L.A. to Chicago. These train people like it that way”
- \* Rebecca L. Root, *Noema Magazine*, “Would You Eat This Bug To Save The World?”
- \* Leena Tailor, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “From Snoop Dogg and NSYNC to Post Malone and Bon Jovi: The Diverse and Transformative New Wave of Celebrity Bars Shaking Up Nashville”

#### **B5. MULTIMEDIA PACKAGE**

- \* Alexis Garcia, Kit Norton, Clare O'Connor, *Investor's Business Daily*, “Next Data Center Roadblock For Google, Microsoft, Oracle, Meta Is On Main Street”
- \* Jason Kane, Erin McLaughlin, Fred Schulte, *NBC News*, *KFF Health News*, “The Body Shops”
- \* Katie Licari, *AfroLA*, “Shaken dry: LADWP's failure to plan and repair for the ‘Big One’”
- \* Los Angeles Times Staff, *Los Angeles Times*, “Escape from the Palisades: Split-second decision-making, confusing responses”
- \* Carl Massad, Constanza Montemayor, Avidha Raha, Rosaura Wardsworth, *AnnenbergMedia*, “From the ashes to the break: How Malibu's surf scene is hanging on”

#### **B6. COMMENTARY/ANALYSIS OF FILM**

- \* Corey Atad, *Truthdig*, “Corey Atad on Film”
- \* Ben Fritz, *The Wall Street Journal*, “Can ‘The Naked Gun’ Save the Endangered Big-Screen Comedy?”
- \* M.G. Lord, *Los Angeles Review of Books*, “A Forever for Sally”
- \* David Rooney, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “‘Jaws’: The Prototype Summer Blockbuster Turns 50, Losing None of Its Bite”
- \* Ethan Shanfeld, *Variety*, “‘Her’ Is Here”

#### **B7. COMMENTARY/ANALYSIS OF TV**

- \* Jose Alejandro Bastidas, *TheWrap*, “How 2025 Rewrote Hollywood's Playbook for Leaner Scripted Shows | Analysis”
- \* Pamela Chelin, *Los Angeles Times*, “Come on down to the 10,000th episode of ‘The Price Is Right’”
- \* Kayla Cobb, Adam Chitwood, *TheWrap*, “The Future of Late Night Comedy: What's Lost When – Not if – It Goes Away”

- \* Louis Keene, *The Forward*, “Nobody wants all those menorahs in ‘Nobody Wants This,’ do they?”
- \* Aramide Tinubu, *Variety*, “Apple Is Making a Huge Mistake Postponing ‘The Savant’ in Wake of Charlie Kirk Killing”

#### **B8. CRITICISM OF FILM, (Over 1,000 Words)**

- \* Owen Gleiberman, *Variety*
- \* Simi Horwitz, *The Forward*
- \* Amy Nicholson, *Los Angeles Times*
- \* David Rooney, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Neely Swanson, *Beverly Hills Courier*

#### **B9. CRITICISM OF FILM, (Under 1,000 Words)**

- \* Siddhant Adlakha, *Truthdig*
- \* Owen Gleiberman, *Variety*
- \* Beandrea July, *IndieWire*, *SEEN Journal*
- \* Manjula Martin, *Alta Journal*
- \* Garrett Rowlan, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*

#### **B10. CRITICISM OF TV**

- \* Angie Han, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Alison Herman, *Variety*
- \* Dan Fienberg, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Aramide Tinubu, *Variety*
- \* Ben Travers, *IndieWire*

#### **B11. CRITICISM OF THEATER/PERFORMING ARTS**

- \* John Lavitt, *The Hollywood Times*
- \* Charles McNulty, *Los Angeles Times*
- \* David Rooney, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Aramide Tinubu, *Variety*
- \* Anita Walia Harris, *LA Theatrix*

#### **B12. CRITICISM OF MUSIC**

- \* Jem Aswad, *Variety*
- \* Brett Callwood, *Music Connection*
- \* Holly Gleason, *HITS*
- \* John Lavitt, *The Hollywood Times*
- \* Lina Lecaro, *Freelance*

#### **B13. CRITICISM OF LITERATURE**

- \* Anita Felicelli, *Alta Journal*
- \* John Freeman, *Alta Journal*
- \* David Kipen, *Los Angeles Times*
- \* Émile P. Torres, *Truthdig*

\* Henry Wismayer, *Noema Magazine*

#### **B14. CRITICISM OF ART/ARCHITECTURE/DESIGN**

- \* Michael Callahan, *Alta Journal*
- \* Marianne Dhenin, *Noema Magazine*
- \* Tare Ebimami, *AnnenbergMedia*
- \* John Last, *Noema Magazine*
- \* Renée Reizman, *Freelance*

#### **B15. CRITICISM OF FOOD/CULTURE**

- \* Bill Addison, *Los Angeles Times*
- \* Brian Addison, *Longbeachize*
- \* Ana Figueroa, *Beverly Hills Courier*
- \* Jenn Harris, *Los Angeles Times*
- \* Brad A. Johnson, *OLTRE*

### **C. PRINT/ONLINE – ANY OUTLET, including news bureaus and correspondents. Enter individually or as a team.**

#### **C1. HEADLINE**

- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU*, “Deliver us from weevil: Calls for stronger pest controls”
- \* Nick Hunt, Peter Mellgard, Jennifer Prohov, *Noema Magazine*, “Signs Of Life In A Desert Of Death”
- \* Wafic Khalil, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “No Words”
- \* Rachel Parsons, *Context (Thomson Reuters Foundation)*, “Undocumented renters caught between fire and ICE in LA burn zone”
- \* Mark Peikert, *Meet Me at Crafty*, “‘Paper’ Cuts: Inside the Peacock Comedy's Editing”

#### **C2. PUBLIC SERVICE NEWS or FEATURE**

- \* Carrie Arnold, *Noema Magazine*, “How Much Is Your Kidney Worth?”
- \* Nicole Fell, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “How Watch Duty Became an Essential Resource for Angelenos During Wildfires”
- \* Robert J. Lopez, *Capital & Main, Los Angeles Times*, “California’s Child Farmworkers: Exhausted, Underpaid and Toiling in Toxic Fields”
- \* Alejandra Molina, *The LA Local*, “After reporting revealed no polling sites, pop-up vote centers coming to Boyle Heights”
- \* Robin Urevich, *Capital & Main*, “Locked Out: How Some of Los Angeles’ Biggest Landlords Leave Section 8 Tenants Behind”

#### **C3. MEDICAL REPORTING, Healthcare issues**

- \* Carrie Arnold, *Noema Magazine*, “How Much Is Your Kidney Worth?”
- \* Noah Biesiada, *Voice of OC*, “Orange County’s Medi-Cal Program Stockpiles \$1.8 Billion Despite CA Auditor Concerns”
- \* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*, “A Mother’s Battle to Protect Her Son’s Care”
- \* Corinne Purtill, *Los Angeles Times*, “Strangers in the middle of a city: The John and Jane Does of L.A. General Medical Center”

\* Jill Replogle, *LAist*, “At a Boyle Heights hospital, ICE agents call the shots, doctors say”

#### **C4. MEDICAL REPORTING**

\* Chris Bibona, Shane Dimapanat, *Capital & Main*, “Residents Say Van Nuys Airport Is Making Them Sick”

\* Susan Karlin, *Fast Company*, “How a ‘Shark Tank’-winning neuroscientist invented the bionic hand that stole the show at Comic-Con”

\* Francine Kiefer, *The Christian Science Monitor*, “Inmate Mental Health”

\* Elizabeth Moss, *AfroLA*, “Wildfire smoke takes heavy toll on kids’ lungs”

\* Corinne Purtill, *Los Angeles Times*, “Behind his smile, a silent crisis: Parents seek answers after autistic son’s suicide”

#### **C5. MEDICAL REPORTING, Diseases and Epidemics (see C4)**

#### **C6. SCIENCE REPORTING**

\* Ian James, Sean Greene, *Los Angeles Times*, “Humanity is rapidly depleting water and much of the world is getting drier”

\* Susan Karlin, *Fast Company*, “How a ‘Shark Tank’-winning neuroscientist invented the bionic hand that stole the show at Comic-Con”

\* Jess McHugh, *Noema Magazine*, “The Ark-Builders Saving Fragile Bits Of Our World”

\* Jennifer Oldham, *Capital & Main*, “Colorado Residents Now Have a Way to ‘See’ the Toxic Emissions They Live With”

\* Henry Wismayer, *Noema Magazine*, “The Unseen Fury Of Solar Storms”

#### **C7. LOCAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT REPORTING, Schools and Universities**

\* Tabor Brewster, *Beverly Press*, “ACLU responds to BHUSD controversy: Bregy resigns”

\* Colorado Boulevard Newspaper Team, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “Saving Pasadena Unified Will Take Sacrifice From All of Us”

\* Tyler Kingkade, *NBC News Digital*, “Inside the Univ. of Virginia gun incident that drew DOJ’s ire”

\* Maylin Tu, *AfroLA*, “LAUSD is sitting on millions in state funding for greening schools. Why are projects stalled for years?”

#### **C8. LOCAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT REPORTING, Homelessness/Housing**

\* Los Angeles Public Press, Cal State LA’s UT Community News, Julie Patel Liss, *Los Angeles Public Press*, “Tiny homes are a flawed solution to LA’s homelessness crisis, investigation finds”

\* Phoenix Tso, *Los Angeles Public Press*, “Eunisses Hernandez called homeless encampment sweeps ‘inhumane.’ Then, she joined LA City Council and things changed.”

\* Robin Urevich, *Capital & Main*, “Locked Out: How Some of Los Angeles’ Biggest Landlords Leave Section 8 Tenants Behind”

\* Ethan Ward, *AfroLA*, “2028 Olympics: L.A.’s ‘no-build’ promise faces housing crisis reality”

\* Michael Waters, John Gittelsohn, *Bloomberg Businessweek*, “The Billionaire’s Town”

#### **C9. LOCAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT REPORTING, Crime/Corruption**

- \* Daniel Elkind, *Truthdig*, “Atlanta and the Philanthropic-Industrial Complex”
- \* Jason Henry, Scott Schwebke, *Los Angeles Daily News*, “Clients of Efen Martinez, under investigation by DA, received \$16.5 million from Huntington Park over last 3 years”
- \* Phil Hopkins, *Local News Pasadena*, “DOJ Claims Weak Links in California’s Automated License Plate Reader Law are Local Police Departments”
- \* Jon Regardie, *Golden State*, “Why won’t the LAPD give the public usable crime data?”

#### **C10. LOCAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT REPORTING, Governing**

- \* Ryan Carter, *Los Angeles Daily News*, “Amid fire recovery, lessons may linger from Riordan’s ‘say-sorry-later’ Northridge quake mantra”
- \* Teresa Y. Liu, *Los Angeles Daily News*, “L.A.’s Neighborhood Council members decry lack of city hall support at annual congress”
- \* Robert J. Lopez, *Capital & Main, Los Angeles Times*, “California’s Child Farmworkers: Exhausted, Underpaid and Toiling in Toxic Fields”
- \* Jeremy Loudenback, *The Imprint*, “The Number of Children in Los Angeles County Foster Care Has Plunged. The Imprint Set Out To Discover Why.”
- \* David Zahniser, *Los Angeles Times*, “For L.A.’s mayor, a Palisades recovery marked by missteps, reversals and delays”

#### **C11. NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT REPORTING**

- \* Laya Albert, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Presidential election ‘bittersweet’ for Puerto Ricans, Guamanians”
- \* David Ariosto, *Noema Magazine*, “Destination Mars”
- \* Ronald Bailey, *Reason Magazine*, “Can America Get Out of the Gerontocracy Trap?”
- \* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*, “Forest Service Cuts Leave Firefighters Mowing Lawns While Morale Craters”
- \* Alexander Zaitchik, *Truthdig*, “A Safety Net Coming Apart at the Seams”

#### **C12. EDUCATIONAL REPORTING**

- \* Jaweed Kaleem, *Los Angeles Times*, “Times Investigation: Ex-Trump DOJ lawyers say ‘fraudulent’ UC antisemitism probes led them to quit”
- \* Tyler Kingkade, *NBC News Digital*, “Parents say school-issued iPads are causing chaos with their kids”
- \* Stacie Stukin, *Capital & Main*, “The Farm-to-School Model Is Under Threat”
- \* Sorina Szakacs, Angela Johnson, *Los Angeles City College Collegian*, “Journalism Cuts- Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4”
- \* Madhri Yehiya, *Los Angeles Public Press*, “USC officials weighed halting sexual assault investigation if professor retired — emails reveal”

#### **C13. HUMOR/SATIRE WRITING**

- \* Phil Hopkins, *Local News Pasadena*, “The Case of the Vanished Tabby”
- \* Eva Melvin, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “Alhambra Adds Three New Signs—In Case You Forgot Where You Are”
- \* Mikey O’Connell, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “I Lost My Home in the L.A. Wildfire. This Is What I’m Holding On To.”

- \* Mark Stefanos, *LA Weekly*, “Improv Festival M.I.L.F. 2 Brought LA’s Indie Scene Together at the Jons Supermarket Strip Mall in East Hollywood”
- \* Chris Willman, *Variety*, “Making the Public Domain Even More Horrifying: Modest Proposals for Turning 1920s Classics Into Slasher Fare, From Mickey to Hemingway”

#### **C14. OBITUARY/IN APPRECIATION, Film/TV Personalities**

- \* Daniel D'Addario, *Variety*, “Hollywood’s Humanist: Rob Reiner Was a Gifted Collaborator Who Understood Why We Tell Stories”
- \* Owen Gleiberman, *Variety*, “Remembering Val Kilmer, a Powerful Actor Who Remained a Reluctant Movie Star”
- \* Michael Idato, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, “I’ve met many famous directors, but I’ll never forget David Lynch”
- \* Angelique Jackson, *Variety*, “Chadwick Boseman’s Star Gets a Prime Spot on the Hollywood Walk of Fame: ‘A Place of Prominence for a King’”
- \* Peter Rainer, *The Christian Science Monitor*, “Robert Redford appreciation”

#### **C15. OBITUARY/IN APPRECIATION, Politics/Business/Arts Personalities**

- \* Rich Archbold, *Press-Telegram*, “Chantara Nop, Long Beach Cambodian leader, dies at 70”
- \* Pamela Chelin, *Los Angeles Times*, “Louis Naidorf, architect behind L.A.’s iconic Capitol Records Building, dies at 96”
- \* Mark Kreidler, *Capital & Main*, “The Loss of Kent Wong and the Future of Labor and Immigrant Rights in California”
- \* Gwen Muranaka, *Zócalo Public Square*, “The Mexican American Photographer Who Captured Little Tokyo”
- \* Damien Newton, Melanie Curry, *Streetsblog California*, “Streetsblog Mourns the Passing of Donald Shoup”

#### **C16A. SOLUTIONS JOURNALISM, Health/Science**

- \* Michaela Haas, *Reasons to be Cheerful*, “Former Navy SEALs Are Diving to Save the Ocean”
- \* Francine Kiefer, *The Christian Science Monitor*, “‘Motivated and inspired’: California inmates are improving mental health behind bars”
- \* Jeremy Loudonback, Michael Fitzgerald, *The Imprint*, “Medicated in Foster Care: Who’s Looking Out?”
- \* Christopher J. Preston, *Noema Magazine*, “‘Climate Delusion’ Or Vital Solution? Carbon Capture’s Uphill Battle”
- \* Ethan Ward, *AfroLA*, “How Black immigrant women are solving America’s accessible health care crisis”

#### **C16B. SOLUTIONS JOURNALISM, Sociopolitical**

- \* Jesse Baum, *Capital & Main*, “Dollar Store Workers Fight to Improve Jobs, Even Without a Union”
- \* Ian James, Kayla Bartkowski, Lorena Iñiguez Elebee, *Los Angeles Times*, “L.A.’s hydrants ran dry during the fires. Residents are still demanding solutions”
- \* Oliver Milman, *Noema Magazine*, “The Cult Of The American Lawn”
- \* Paige St. John, Laurence Darmiento, Summer Lin, Sandhya Kambhampati, *Los Angeles Times*, “Fires reveal insurance crisis that was years in the making”

\* Kalena Thomhave, *Capital & Main*, “Attacks on Immigrants Put Erie’s Revival in Danger”

### **C17A. IMMIGRATION REPORTING, ICE related**

\* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*, “‘I’ve Never Seen Anything Like it.’ Aggressive ICE Raids Led One Man to Ask: Should I Self-Deport?”

\* Jeremy Loudenback, *The Imprint*, “Lost and Arrested: How a Series of Disastrous Events Led a Former Foster Youth into ICE Custody”

\* Brittany Mejia, *Los Angeles Times*, “Hard lives in California’s fields: ‘The American dream eats us alive’”

\* Ryanne Mena, *Los Angeles Daily News, Southern California News Group*, “What it’s like to visit the ICE detention center in Adelanto”

\* Nadra Nittle, *The 19th*, “Nory and her mother were deported together. Then she was orphaned.”

### **C17B. IMMIGRATION REPORTING, Sociopolitical**

\* Fiona Harrigan, *Reason Magazine*, “An El Paso Christian Charity Is Caught Up in Texas’ Border Fight Against the Feds”

\* Amairani Hernandez, Brenda Verano and Jacqueline Garcia, *CALÓ News*, “LA’s immigration defense organizers are burning out. Here’s how they keep going”

\* Kate Morrissey, *Capital & Main*, “Stranded”

\* Nadra Nittle, *The 19th*, “She’s devoted her life to teaching your kids — in a country that now wants to deport her”

\* Madeleine Wattenbarger, *Truthdig*, “Immigrant Solidarity in Post-Sanctuary America”

### **C18. CRIME REPORTING**

\* Clara Harter, Brittany Mejia, *Los Angeles Times*, “‘Acts of pure evil’: Feds indict alleged members of child sex abuse network”

\* Sam Levin, *The Guardian*, “\$10.24 a day to risk their lives – and a lot of pride: incarcerated LA firefighters speak out”

\* Michele McPhee, *Los Angeles Magazine*, “The Hunt For Ryan Wedding”

\* Kate Morrissey, *Capital & Main*, “People in ICE Custody Face Invasive Strip Searches After Visits With Loved Ones”

\* Matthew Ormseth, *Los Angeles Times*, “Inside the alleged Mexican Mafia plot to smuggle heroin with an L.A. jail deputy”

### **C19. SPORTS**

\* Michael Duarte, *NBC*, “Shohei Ohtani’s legendary three-homer, 10-strikeout game sends Dodgers back to the World Series”

\* Angelique Jackson, *Variety*, “Simone Biles Teams With Religion of Sports to Expand Entertainment Portfolio: ‘We Want to Give Others Bigger Platforms to Narrate Themselves’ (EXCLUSIVE)”

\* Allan Medina, *The LA Local*, “Two brothers will face off in the East LA Classic, but family always wins”

\* Harriet Ryan, *The Wall Street Journal*, “How the Unruly Black Market for High-School Athletes Tore a Family Apart”

\* Brian Steinberg, *Variety*, “NBA Cash Grab: Four Media Giants Set to Scramble for Ad Dollars as Games Leave Warner Bros. Discovery”

## **C20. SPORTS COMMENTARY**

\* Rick Assad, *Local News Pasadena*, “The Enduring Lessons of Friday Night Lights”

\* Natalia Molina, *Caló News*, “The Dodgers: They Just Like Us”

\* Wesley Reutimann, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “LA Without Open Streets? A Setback for Public Health and Community Building”

\* George B. Sánchez-Tello, *Capital & Main*, “Running While Black, Latino or Asian American — Under Trump”

\* UCLA Magazine Staff, *UCLA Magazine*, “The Triumph of Arthur Ashe”

## **D. ART/PHOTOGRAPHY All Platforms**

### **D1. NEWS PHOTO, Single Image**

\* Michael Blackshire, *Independent*, “Los Angeles Ice Protest”

\* Tabor Brewster, *Beverly Press*, “Southland ablaze”

\* Ringo Chiu, *Ringo Chiu Photography*, “The Ones Who Stay”

\* Julie Leopo, *Voice of OC*, “Orange Backs Off Trying to Unmask ICE”

\* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*, “Smoke drifts over Will Rogers State Beach during the Palisades fire”

### **D2. FEATURE PHOTO, Single Image**

\* Ringo Chiu, *Ringo Chiu Photography*, “The Color of Climate Change”

\* Osceola Refetoff, *PBS SoCal*, “Cal Energy Generation Thermal Plant – Infrared Exposure – Calipatria, California”

\* Brandon Richardson, *Long Beach Watchdog*, “Death on the soccer field”

\* Matjaž Tančič, *Noema Magazine*, “China's Pet Parents Choose 'Fur Kids' Over Human Children”

\* Arsenii Vaselenko, Jennifer Laski, Tiensirin Tiennern, Ian Robinson, Shannon Watkins, *TheWrap*, “Seth Rogen, Evan Goldberg and ‘The Studio’ Cast on How They Make Loving Fun of Hollywood”

### **D3. PORTRAIT PHOTO, Entertainment**

\* Heather Hazzan, Grayson Khos, Jenny Sargent, Samantha Xu, *Billboard*, “Gracie Abrams”

\* Alexi Lubomirski, Jennifer Dorn, Haley Kluge, *Variety*, “Julia Roberts Portrait”

\* Cathlin McCullough, Jennifer Laski, Tiensirin Tiennern, *TheWrap*, “Portrait of Cynthia Erivo at Sundance Films Festival 2025”

\* Richard Phibbs, Jennifer Dorn, Jennifer Halper, *Variety*, “A\$AP Rocky”

\* David Sprague, *Los Angeles Business Journal*, “Gorgazma – It's Alive!”

### **D4. PORTRAIT PHOTO, Non-Entertainment**

\* Barbara Davidson, *Capital & Main*, “International Tribunal Condemns U.S. Border Officials for Torturing, Killing Immigrant”

\* Julie Leopo, *Voice of OC*, “Vigil for Migrants”

\* Osceola Refetoff, *PBS SoCal*, “Diablada (Dance of the Devils) – Fiesta de la Tirana – Chile”

- \* Dustin Snipes, *Super Lawyers Magazine*, “Now, Do You Want to Hear the Twist?”
- \* Matjaž Tančič, *Noema Magazine*, “China's Pet Parents Choose 'Fur Kids' Over Human Children”

#### **D5. SPORTS PHOTO, Single Image**

- \* Keith Birmingham, *Pasadena Star-News*, “Dodgers World Series”
- \* Ringo Chiu, *Ringo Chiu Photography*, “Fingertips and Flight”
- \* Hans Gutknecht, *Los Angeles Daily News*, “UFC 311 kick”
- \* Jevone Moore, *Los Angeles Sentinel*, “Westchester Win Boys City Section Open Division Title”
- \* Aidan Sun, *Daily Bruin*, “UCLA football upsets Penn State in first season win”

#### **D6. ENTERTAINMENT PHOTO, Single Image**

- \* Donna Balancia, *US Rocker*, “The Cure Hit The Big Screen with 'The Cure: The Show Of A Lost World' Concert Film”
- \* Ash Barhamand, Alison Edmond, Erik Madigan Heck, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Tim Burton + Jenna Ortega”
- \* Alyson Camus, *US Rocker*, “Morrissey Rings In ‘Happy New You’ at Hollywood Palladium”
- \* Emilio Madrid, Jennifer Dorn, Haley Kluge, Jennifer Halper, *Variety*, “Darren Criss and Cole Escola”
- \* Joe Pugliese, Jenny Sargent, Samantha Xu, *Billboard*, “‘Weird Al’ Yankovic”

#### **D7. PHOTO ESSAY (single topic), Culture/Entertainment**

- \* Michael Blackshire, *Independent*, “Cardi B Civil Trial”
- \* Jill Connelly, *De Los/Los Angeles Times*, “In the Coachella Valley, a team of middle school girls is helping keep escaramuza alive”
- \* Alexi Lubomirski, Jennifer Dorn, Haley Kluge, *Variety*, “Actors on Actors”
- \* Zaydee Sanchez, *Freelance*, “WrestleMania? In Los Angeles, It’s LuchaMania.”
- \* Mark Stefanos, *LA Weekly*, “The Short Stop Celebrates 25 Years of Being Los Angeles’s Dance Bar”

#### **D8. PHOTO ESSAY (single topic), News/News Feature**

- \* Barbara Davidson, *Capital & Main, Los Angeles Times*, “California’s Child Farmworkers: Exhausted, Underpaid and Toiling in Toxic Fields”
- \* Osceola Refetoff, *PBS SoCal*, “High & Dry – Green Extractivism: Can Our Deserts Survive Our Thirst for Lithium?”
- \* Stefano Schirato, *Truthdig*, “Caravans of Faith and Memory”
- \* Matjaž Tančič, *Noema Magazine*, “China's Pet Parents Choose 'Fur Kids' Over Human Children”
- \* Erika Taylor, Josiah Mendoza, *Voice of OC*, “Waiting for Work, Watching for ICE”

#### **D9. EDITORIAL CARTOON**

- \* Lalo Alcaraz, *CALÓ News*, “Lalo on CALÓ: Big Raid in Little Tokyo”
- \* Chandra Bozelko, *Censie, The Red Pen of Censorship*, “Censie Goes Live!”
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- \* Mary Beth McDade, John Fenoglio, *KTLA*, “Ozzy Osbourne Remembered”
- \* George Pennacchio, Cheryl Diano, *KABC-TV Los Angeles*, “Remembering Diane Keaton, Legendary Leading Lady”
- \* George Pennacchio, Cheryl Diano, *KABC-TV Los Angeles*, “Reminiscing on the Life & Career of Bobby Sherman”

## **13. PUBLIC SERVICE NEWS or FEATURE**

- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: When the St. Francis Dam Collapsed”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, Daniel H. Birman Productions, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: Rewiring California”
- \* Rebuilding L.A. Team, Kate Cagle, Megan Larson, Jordan Paterson, Megan Botel, *Los Angeles Times Studios*, “Tapped Out: What We Learned About Why A Key Reservoir Was Empty When The Fires Came”
- \* Erin Stone, *LAist*, “911 calls during the Eaton Fire”
- \* Kelvin Washington, Seth Katz, Diana Romo, *Spectrum News 1*, “After the Wildfires: Healing Together”

## **14. BUSINESS REPORTING**

- \* Renee Eng, Cory Minderhout, Paul Nankivell, MacKenzie Sherwood, Sasa Brakovic, *Spectrum News*, “Hiding In Plain Sight”
- \* Megan Jamerson, *KCRW*, “The Waymos are coming. How worried should Uber and Lyft be?”
- \* Megan Jamerson, *Marketplace*, “Hollywood’s filming decline hits local small businesses in L.A.”
- \* Clare O'Connor, *Investor's Business Daily*, “Inside The AI Job Shock: CEOs Warn Of Massive Disruption”
- \* Zócalo Public Square Staff, *Zócalo Public Square*, “Is Hip-Hop America’s Biggest Success Story?”

## **15. ACTIVISM JOURNALISM**

- \* Christine Devine, Sam Dubin, Tony Ruiz, *KTTV FOX 11*, “Prison: Allen's story”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Daniel H. Birman Productions, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: Combating Climate Change with Trees”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “PST ART: For Dear Life: Art, Medicine & Disability”
- \* Zach Weissmueller, John Osterhoudt, Lex Villena, *Reason Magazine*, “Snowden was right. Now Trump should pardon him.”

\* Zócalo Public Square Staff, *Zócalo Public Square*, “Can We Reimagine How We Feed Ourselves?”

## **I6. MEDICAL/HEALTH REPORTING**

- \* Denise Dador, *KABC-TV*, “The Changing Face of Cancer”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “PST ART: For Dear Life: Art, Medicine & Disability”
- \* Jill Replogle, *LAist*, “Health workers say ICE agents at hospitals are compromising patient care”
- \* Neil Steinberg, Mark Jonathan Harris, Steve Purcell, Karin Hayes, Ken Dychtwald, *PBS SoCal*, “Aging in America: Survive or Thrive”
- \* Elizabeth Zwerling, *WHYY - The Pulse*, “When Should Patients Decide for Themselves?”

## **I7. SCIENCE REPORTING**

- \* Jacob Margolis, *LAist*, “Fire retardant investigation”
- \* David Ono, *KABC-TV*, “We Should Have Known”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: Space Shuttle”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “PST ART: Remote Sensing”
- \* PBS Staff, Balance Media, *PBS*, “Weathered; Inside the L.A. Firestorm”

## **I8. LOCAL POLITICAL/GOVERNMENT REPORTING**

- \* Cher Calvin, Micah Ohlman, Nick Greitzer, Christine Miceli, Todd Griffithe, *KTLA*, “Thousands of layoffs ‘nearly inevitable’ as L.A. faces \$1 billion budget shortfall”
- \* Giselle Fernandez, Anaconda Street Productions, Seth Katz, Spectrum News 1 Team, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “LA Stories with Giselle Fernandez - ‘Rick Caruso’”
- \* Juliet Lemar, *KSBY News*, “No nurse, no evidence: The Nursing Shortage Failing Survivors of Sexual Assault”
- \* Micah Ohlman, Cher Calvin, Nick Greitzer, Pete Wilgoren, Todd Griffithe, *KTLA*, “L.A. Councilmember Monica Rodriguez opposes Bass’ firing of L.A. Fire Dept. Chief”
- \* Frank Stoltze, Brianna Lee, *LAist*, “Prop 50: Is California’s redistricting push a threat to democracy or a defense of it”

## **I9. NATIONAL POLITICAL/GOVERNMENT REPORTING**

- \* Kate Cagle, Diana Romo, Eric Karkheck, Jose Guzman, *Spectrum News 1*, “Redrawing California: Prop 50 Special Election”
- \* Cher Calvin, Micah Ohlman, Nick Greitzer, Eytan Wallace, Chris Wolfe, *KTLA*, “Election Night in America: Prop 50 passes as Democrats win big in NYC, NJ, and VA”
- \* Giselle Fernandez, Anaconda Street Productions, Seth Katz, Spectrum News 1 Team, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “LA Stories with Giselle Fernandez - ‘Lawrence Perelman’”
- \* Elex Michaelson, Debbie Kim, Tony Buttitta, Greg Lindsay, *KTTV FOX 11 Los Angeles*, “Pres. Trump’s Unprecedented First Week”
- \* Carlos Saucedo, *KTLA*, “‘Jimmy Kimmel Live’ pulled after comments over Charlie Kirk”

## **I10. ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING**

- \* Jacob Margolis, *LAist*, “Illegal dumping in the Southern California desert”
- \* Patt Morrison, *Los Angeles Times*, “Smoglandia”

- \* PBS SoCal in association with Daniel H. Birman Productions, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: San Clemente Island: Protecting Land & Sea”
- \* PBS Staff, Balance Media, *PBS*, “Weathered: Inside the L.A. Firestorm”
- \* Sarah Pilla, *Spectrum News 1*, “Saving Kelp: Preserving and Ocean Forest”

### **I11. EDUCATIONAL REPORTING**

- \* Antonia Cerejido, Mariana Dale, *LAist*, “Imperfect Paradise: Did the cellphone ban in high schools work?”
- \* Christine Devine, Sam Dubin, Morgan Martini. Steve Thorp, *KTTV FOX 11*, “Prison Bachelor's Degree”
- \* Renee Eng, Cory Minderhout, Lee Ortlieb, *Spectrum News 1*, “Department of Education workforce cuts leave fewer attorneys to handle massive backlog of civil rights enforcement cases”
- \* Scott Hays, *OC World*, “El Sol Academy: A Dual-Language Charter School”
- \* Curran Rastogi, Valeria Macias, Janette Fu, Nick Wald, Aidan Williams, *AnnenbergMedia*, “See it Live--Education”

### **I12. SOLUTIONS JOURNALISM**

- \* Nick Gillespie, Justin Zuckerman, Hana Ko, Ian Keyser, Lex Villena, *Reason Magazine*, “How Texas beat California on housing”
- \* Juliet Lemar, *KSBY News*, “Blind but not Invisible”
- \* Phillip Palmer, *ABC7 Los Angeles*, “Rebuilding from the Camp Fire”
- \* PBS SoCal Team, Daniel H. Birman Productions, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: Rewiring California: Outages & Innovation”
- \* PBS SoCal Team, Daniel H. Birman Productions, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: San Clemente Island: Protecting Land & Sea”

### **I13. RACE AND SOCIETY REPORTING, Racial Histories**

- \* Frank Buckley, Lauren Lewis, Kris Arciaga, *KTLA*, “The Lost Community of Terminal Island”
- \* Antonia Cerejido, Natalie Chudnovsky, *LAist*, “Rebuild or leave? One Black family in Altadena decides their future after Eaton Fire”
- \* Scott Hays, *OC World*, “Keeping Tradition Alive”
- \* Tanya McRae, Jenni Kim, Bobbie Eng, Nate Leathers, *Spectrum News 1*, “IN FOCUS SOCAL: O’Day Short Elementary School”
- \* PBS SoCal, *PBS SoCal*, “Coastal California: Agua Por Vida: Sleepy Lagoon Mural Project”

### **I14. RACE AND SOCIETY REPORTING, Individual Profiles**

- \* Carly Armendariz, Deni Faulkner, Carlos Saucedo, Megan Telles, *KTLA* Team, *KTLA*, “Honoring Hispanic Heritage: Community & Resilience”
- \* Giselle Fernandez, Anaconda Street Productions, Seth Katz, Spectrum News 1 Team, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “LA Stories with Giselle Fernandez - ‘Debbie Allen and Brayden Jordan’”
- \* Anabel Munoz, Michael Cervantes, Saul Clemente, Jason Burks, *KABC-TV*, “Songs From the Hole”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Life & Thyme, *PBS SoCal*, “Rebel Kitchens Southern California: How a Simple Pastry Changed This Chef’s Life”

\* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: Floyd Norman - Disney's Groundbreaking Black Animator”

### **I15. IMMIGRATION REPORTING**

\* Chace Beech, *Spectrum News 1*, “In San Diego, a Bishop Brings Faith to the Federal Building”

\* Sandra Cervantes, Arturo Quezada, Susana Meza, Marco Flores, Angie Gonzalez, *N+Univision 34 Los Angeles*, “Desterrados: Inmigrantes en la mira”

\* Megan Jamerson, *KCRW*, “Immigrant day laborers learn how to do risky fire cleanup”

\* NBC4 News Team, *NBC4*, “Immigration Raids in LA”

\* Carlos Saucedo, Ken Koller, *KTLA*, “OC family struggles after family detained by ICE”

### **I16. GENDER AND SOCIETY REPORTING**

\* Kimberly Cornell, Olivia De Bortoli, Kris Arciaga, *KTLA*, “LA: Unscripted: Queer Surf”

\* Megan Jamerson, *NPR*, “Clinic for trans youth in LA closes, leaving some families struggling to find care”

\* Peter Jones, John Bard Manulis, Taylor Vracin-Harrell, David Jakubovic, Salia Hovanec, *PBS SoCal*, “Fortunate Sons”

\* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “PST ART: For Dear Life: Art, Medicine & Disability”

\* Omar Younis, Sandra Stojanovic, *Reuters TV*, “Transgender influencer takes on Trump over passports”

### **I17. CRIME REPORTING**

\* Steve Fisher, Daniel Flesher, Karen Foshay, Felix Marquez, Koral Carballo, *Los Angeles Times*, “Cartels seized a Mexican gold mine. He was hired to win it back”

\* David Ketterling, Vince Sturla, *Dateline NBC*, “The Prince, The Whiz Kid, & The Millionaire”

\* Susan Leibowitz, Chetna Joshi, Ann Preisman, Robert Higgins, Sergei Ivonin, *Dateline NBC*, “Sean Combs: The Insiders Speak”

\* NBC4 News Team, *NBCLA*, “Menendez Brother's Resentencing Hearing”

\* Steve Patterson, Arne Heikkila, *NBC News*, “Illicit Cannabis - A Problem Hidden in Plain Sight”

### **I18. SPORTS**

\* Michael Duarte, *NBC*, “Wrexham AFC's incredible journey from forgotten fifth-tier to one step away from English Premier League”

\* Megan Ely, Andy Schlachtenhaufen, Nathan Palm, Adam Vandekerchove, *Spectrum News 1*, “Beyond The Sport: Pali High Football”

\* Scott Hays, *OC World*, “Todd Marinovich on Football, Addiction and Art as Therapy”

\* David Ono, *KABC-TV*, “FACEism: The Lantern”

\* PBS SoCal in association with Tivuron, *PBS SoCal*, “Coastal California: The True Origins of Surf Culture”

### **I19. WEATHER or TRAFFIC REPORT**

\* Paul Deanno, *CBS LA*, “CBS LA Next Weather Forecast”

\* Gene Kang, *KTLA5 News*, “Stormy Night”

## **J. TELEVISION/FILM Broadcast, including online and cable TV, produced in Southern California.**

### **J1. REGULARLY SCHEDULED NEWSCAST**

- \* ABC7 Eyewitness News Team, *KABC-TV*, “Eyewitness News at 4pm”
- \* CBS LA AT 11PM Staff, *CBS LA*, “CBS LA AT 11PM”
- \* FOX 11 News, *KTTV/KCOP*, “Good Day LA”
- \* Spectrum News 1 Staff, *Spectrum News 1*, “The Rush Hour on Spectrum News 1”
- \* Spectrum News 1 Staff, *Spectrum News 1*, “Your Evening on Spectrum News 1”

### **J2. ANCHOR/HOST**

- \* Justin Chapman, *Pasadena Media*
- \* Scott Hays, *OC World*
- \* Lisa McRee, *Spectrum News 1*
- \* Nathan Masters, *PBS SoCal*
- \* David Ono, *KABC-TV*

### **J3. VIDEOGRAPHER**

- \* Matt Bass, *PBS SoCal*, “PST ART: Color in Motion”
- \* Antonio Diaz, *PBS SoCal*, “Rebel Kitchens Southern California”
- \* Jason Janocko, Daniel H. Birman, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: San Clemente Island: Protecting Land & Sea”
- \* Sandra Stojanovic, *Reuters TV*, “Transgender influencer takes on Trump over passports”
- \* Emily Topper, *PBS SoCal*, “Art & Science Collide”

### **J4. BREAKING NEWS**

- \* ABC7 Eyewitness News Team, *KABC-TV*, “SoCal Firestorm”
- \* CBS LA Team, *CBS LA*, “So Cal Fires”
- \* CNN Staff, *CNN*, “LA Wildfires”
- \* Micah Ohlman, Cher Calvin, Nick Greitzer, Todd Griffith, Christine Miceli, *KTLA*, “Protests erupt after dozens detained in sweeping Los Angeles ICE raids”
- \* David Ono, Leanne Suter, *KABC-TV*, “My Home is Burning: Leanne Suter”

### **J5. INVESTIGATIVE**

- \* Aaron Brown, *Reason Magazine*, “Wrong Number”
- \* Renee Eng, Cory Minderhout, Luca DeSando-Grassi, Paul Nankivell, Francisco Coronel, *Spectrum News 1*, “Trashed: Illegal Dumping”
- \* Mary Beth McDade, *KTLA*, “Cult-like California religious group at center of missing persons investigation”
- \* Ross Palombo, *CBS LA*, “High & Dry: Uncovering Hundreds of Broken Hydrants in Wake of Palisades Fire”
- \* PBS Staff, Balance Media, *PBS*, “Weathered: Inside the L.A Firestorm”

### **J6. NEWS FEATURE (Over 5 Minutes)**

- \* Morgan Chesky, Jon Gerberg, Steven Louie, Tate James, Alexandra Chaidez, *NBC News*, “This Hit Home: Reporting on the Texas Hill Country Floods”

- \* Robert Kovacik, David Gregory, *NBC LA*, “The Palisades Paintings”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: Cold War Fallout Shelter Uncovered in Los Angeles Backyard”
- \* Andy Schlachtenhaufen, *Spectrum News 1*, “LA Times Today | Saving Altadena's Trees”
- \* Connie Schulte, Andres F Pruna, *KMEX-TV*, “Entre Cenizas Y Esperanza”

#### **J7. NEWS FEATURE (Under 5 Minutes)**

- \* Renee Eng, *Spectrum News*, “Cycle of Giving Back”
- \* Clara Harter, Karen Foshay, *Los Angeles Times*, “How violent online groups like CVLT and 764 recruit, extort and abuse teens”
- \* Phillip Ige, *KTLA 5*, “Karate For All”
- \* Mark Potts, *Los Angeles Times*, “Christmas Tree Lane lights up, bringing hope to fire-ravaged Altadena”
- \* Andres Pruna, Octavio Valdez, *KMEX-TV*, “La Historia de Los Ángeles, una perspectiva Mexicana”

#### **J8. HUMAN INTEREST FEATURE (Over 5 Minutes)**

- \* Robert Kovacik, David Gregory, *NBC LA*, “The Palisades Paintings”
- \* Steven Lange, Alison Martino, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “Moonshadows”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Life & Thyme, *PBS SoCal*, “Rebel Kitchens Southern California: How a Simple Pastry Changed This Chef’s Life”
- \* Aitana Vargas, *La Cronista & La Opinión*, “Uvalde: El Precio de un Tiroteo Masivo”
- \* Zach Weissmueller, John Osterhoudt, Lex Villena, *Reason Magazine*, “Why Trump made a deal to free Ross Ulbricht”

#### **J9. HUMAN INTEREST FEATURE (Under 5 Minutes)**

- \* Kimberly Cornell, Angel C. Kim, Dayna Devon, Ernesto Huerta-Juarez, *KTLA*, “LA Unscripted: Rock Steady Boxing”
- \* Kimberly Cornell, Oliva De Bortoli, Nick Simpson, *KTLA*, “LA Unscripted: Born To Act Players”
- \* Laura Diaz, *KTTV*, “Milagro Cinema”
- \* Renee Eng, *Spectrum News*, “Cycle of Giving Back”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: The Hidden Film Studio Behind Atomic History”

#### **J10. LIFESTYLE FEATURE**

- \* Harry Buerkle, Tiffany Taylor, Jason Rovou, Maer Roshan, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Meet the Video Store Owner Defying the Streaming Era”
- \* PBS SoCal, *PBS SoCal*, “PST ART: Views of Planet City”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Life & Thyme, *PBS SoCal*, “Art & Science Collide: Cannupa Hanska Luger's Time-Traveling Sculptures”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Life & Thyme, *PBS SoCal*, “Rebel Kitchens Southern California: Sora’s Dishes Are Turkish x Japanese Fusion... So Are Its Plates!”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Life & Thyme, *PBS SoCal*, “Rebel Kitchens: The Smuggled 69-year-old Sourdough Starter at Le Le’s Core”

#### **J11. ENTERTAINMENT NEWS or FEATURE (Over 5 Minutes)**

- \* Tiana DeNicola, Ethan Shanfeld, *Variety*, “Bill Burr Takes Us Behind the Scenes of His Comedy Special ‘Drop Dead Years’”
- \* Katie Kilkenny, Lesley Corral, Jason Rovou, Felipe Borges, Paul Silva, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Altadena Fire Victim Returns to Burned Down Home After L.A. Wildfires in Search of Family Heirloom”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: Animation”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, PST ART: Color in Motion: Chromatic Explorations of Cinema
- \* Seija Rankin, Jason Rovou, Lesley Corral, Stephanie Fischette, Maer Roshan, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Jennifer Lawrence, Cynthia Erivo, Amanda Seyfried & More at the THR Actress Roundtable”

#### **J12. ENTERTAINMENT NEWS or FEATURE (Under 5 Minutes)**

- \* Cheryl Diano, George Pennacchio, Susanna Quintero Chamberlin, Andrea Jimenez, *KABC-TV Los Angeles*, “Camila Fernández Making her mark in mariachi”
- \* Gene Kang, *KTLA5 News*, “Breaking: Jimmy Kimmel Is Back”
- \* Robert Kovacik, Susan Monroe, *NBC Los Angeles*, “Debbie Allen: Dancing in the Light”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: Inside the Disney Animation Research Library”
- \* Tara Lynn Wagner, *Spectrum News 1*, “The Role of a Lifetime”

#### **J13. ENTERTAINMENT PERSONALITY PROFILE/INTERVIEW**

- \* Tiana DeNicola, *Variety*, “Hilary Duff on Her Musical Comeback, the Stories Behind Her Early Hits, and the Role That Started It All”
- \* Giselle Fernandez, Anaconda Street Productions, Seth Katz, Spectrum News 1 Team, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “LA Stories with Giselle Fernandez - ‘Ozomatli’”
- \* Omar Lugones, Antonio Carrasco, Ryan Carrasco, Michatel Koger, *Spectrum News 1*, “Angel Carter”
- \* Elex Michaelson, Debbie Kim, Greg Lindsay, *KTTV FOX 11 Los Angeles*, “Arnold in Austria”
- \* PBS SoCal Team, Sunny and Mild Media, *PBS SoCal*, “Locationland: Road Trip with “Grease” Director Randal Kleiser”

#### **J14. NON-ENTERTAINMENT PERSONALITY PROFILE/INTERVIEW**

- \* Cheryl Diano, George Pennacchio, Frank Nielsen, *KABC-TV*, “Step Into The World Of Nick Metropolis”
- \* Giselle Fernandez, Anaconda Street Productions, Seth Katz, Spectrum News 1 Team, *Spectrum News 1*, “LA Stories with Giselle Fernandez | Father Greg Boyle”
- \* Steven Lange, Alison Martino, Austin Harris, Jeffrey McHale, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “Will Rogers Great Granddaughter”
- \* David Ono, *KABC-TV*, “FACEism: 9066”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Artifact Films, *PBS SoCal*, “Art & Science Collide: Lauren Bon Restores Urban Land with LA River Water”

#### **J15. TALK/PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

- \* Cher Calvin, Micah Ohlman, Nick Greitzer, Todd Griffith, Christine Miceli, *KTLA*, “U.S. Ports see shipment slump amid Trump-China tariff war”
- \* LA Times Today Staff, *Spectrum News 1*, “LA Times Today”

- \* Tanya McRae, Jenni Kim, Bobbie Eng, Nate Leathers, *Spectrum News 1*, “IN FOCUS SOCAL: Disability Employment Awareness Month”
- \* Elex Michaelson, Debbie Kim, Sam Dubin, Greg Lindsay, Dustin Parker, *KTTV FOX 11 Los Angeles*, “Mayor Bass' 1st Interview”
- \* Dr. Angela Sadler Williamson, *KLCS PBS*, “Performing Arts Studio West”

#### **J16. FEATURE DOCUMENTARY (Over 25 Minutes)**

- \* Dateline Staff, *Dateline NBC*, “Fire & Ash: Devastation in L.A.”
- \* Giselle Fernandez, Anaconda Street Productions, Seth Katz, Spectrum News 1 Team, *Spectrum News 1 SoCal*, “LA Stories with Giselle Fernandez - ‘Rick Caruso’”
- \* Peter Jones, John Bard Manulis, Taylor Vracin-Harrell, David Jakubovic, Salia Hovanec, *PBS SoCal*, “Fortunate Sons”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Life & Thyme, *PBS SoCal*, “Rebel Kitchens Southern California”
- \* Yarel Ramos, Sandra Cervantes, Arturo Quezada, Susana Meza, Angie Gonzalez, *N+Univision 34 Los Angeles*, “Desterrados: Inmigrantes en la mira”

#### **J17. DOCUMENTARY SHORT (Under 25 Minutes)**

- \* Morgan Chesky, Jon Gerberg, Steven Louie, Tate James, Alexandra Chaidez, *NBC News*, “This Hit Home: Reporting on the Texas Hill Country Floods”
- \* Seth Katz, Diana Romo, Andy Schlachtenhaufen, Jose Guzman, *Spectrum News 1*, “Candelas Guitars: A Legacy of Family and Music”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “Lost LA: Cold War Secrecy”
- \* PBS SoCal Staff, *PBS SoCal*, “SoCal Snowy Owl”
- \* PBS SoCal in association with Daniel H. Birman Productions, *PBS SoCal*, “Earth Focus: Rewiring California: Outages & Innovation”

### **K. AUDIO JOURNALISM**

**Radio broadcast, podcast or stream produced in Southern California.**

#### **K1. ANCHOR/HOST**

- \* Kate Cagle, *Los Angeles Times Studios*
- \* Phil Farrar, *KOGO*
- \* Scott Feinberg, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Ana Garcia, *True Crime News: The Podcast*
- \* Michael Schneider, Clayton Davis, Jazz Tangcay, Emily Longieretta, *Variety*

#### **K2. BREAKING NEWS or NEWS FEATURE**

- \* Phil Farrar, *KOGO Radio*, “The Fall of Saigon: ‘Operation Frequent Wind’”
- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU Radio*, “Funding loss could lead to crisis for early childcare”
- \* Megan Jamerson, *NPR*, “LA artist gets over 1,000 requests after volunteering to draw homes lost to wildfires”
- \* LAist Staff, *LAist*, “Highlights: LAist covers the first week of the devastating 2025 LA fires”
- \* Susan Valot, *Freelance for KCRW*, “Altadena Mosaic Takes Shape from Ashes – And Broken Shards”

### **K3. NEWS FEATURE, see K2**

### **K4. LIFESTYLE FEATURE**

- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU*, “A rescue camel lives with his human best friend on a ranch”
- \* Robert Garrova, Josie Huang, *LAist*, “The macabre history of the Verdugo Hills Cemetery”
- \* Lisa Niver, *Make Your Own Map*, “Explore Wild Ireland with Founder Killian McLaughlin!”

### **K5. PERSONALITY PROFILE/INTERVIEW, Entertainment Personalities (Over 10 Minutes)**

- \* Nick Gillespie, *Reason Magazine*, “Alton Brown: A Culinary Legend Offers Food for Thought”
- \* Angelique Jackson, *Variety*, “Marsai Martin on Navigating the Transition From Child Producer to Mogul in the Making: ‘I’ve Learned What It Takes to Become a Legend’”
- \* Larry Mantle, *LAist*, “Notable AirTalk super fan and actress Kristen Bell joins the program”
- \* Lyndsey Parker, *Lyndsanity*, “The unguarded moments: The Church’s Steve Kilbey opens up about 45-year career, loveless fascinations with Duran Duran and record label ‘f\*\*\*ing idiots and philistines,’ and more”
- \* Michael Schneider, *Variety*, “‘The Daily Show’s’ Ronny Chieng on Recently Becoming a U.S. Citizen: ‘It’s a Weird Time to Do It’”

### **K6. PERSONALITY PROFILE/INTERVIEW, Non-Entertainment Personalities (Over 10 Minutes)**

- \* Billy Binion, *Reason Magazine*, “Helen Prejean: Why This Nun Is Fighting To End the Death Penalty”
- \* Esther D. Kustanowitz, Erin Benmoche, *The Bagel Report*, “Breaking Down the Prince of Egypt with Tzivia Schwartz-Getzug”
- \* Larry Mantle, *LAist*, “The CEO of SoCal Edison’s parent company discusses the Eaton Fire, answers listener questions”
- \* Lisa Niver, *Make Your Own Map*, “Tara Schuster Isn’t Afraid to Go There—And You’ll Be Glad She Did”

### **K7. PERSONALITY PROFILE/INTERVIEW (Under 10 Minutes)**

- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU*, “One of the most influential labor activists of modern times”
- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU Radio*, “Ojai singer-songwriter behind ‘The Rose’ reflects on the song that changed her life”
- \* Julia Paskin, *LAist*, “Artist Gary Tyler turns 40 years of wrongful imprisonment into powerful textiles”

### **K8. INVESTIGATIVE**

N/A

### **K9. ENTERTAINMENT REPORTING**

- \* Heather Brooker, *KFI News/iHeartRadio*, “The Benn Family - From Ashes to AGT”
- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU*, “Mane attraction: The therapy horses with a Hollywood connection bringing joy to seniors”

- \* Kassidy Hudson, *AnnenbergMedia*, “The Trans Chorus of L.A. Transcends Gender Roles”
- \* Ryan Lattanzio, Anne Thompson, *IndieWire*, “Live from Cannes with NEON Founder Tom Quinn”

#### **K10. USE OF SOUND**

- \* Caroline Feraday, *KCLU Radio*, “The unique and adventurous program making commercial diving accessible”
- \* Robert Garrova, *LAist*, “These old, trippy recordings of nature are inspiring Angelenos to use sound for art and healing”
- \* Susan Valot, *KCRW*, “Keeping Yosemite Clean, One Piece of Toilet Paper at a Time”

#### **K11. REGULAR PODCAST**

- \* California Book Club, *Alta Journal*, “California Book Club: Lisa See”
- \* Antonia Cerejido, Larry Mantle, *LAist*, “The first five days: Inside LA’s most destructive wildfires”
- \* Mari Fong, *CHECK YOUR HEAD: Mental Help for Musicians Podcast*, “CHECK YOUR HEAD: Mental Help for Musicians Podcast”
- \* Rebuilding L.A Team, Kate Cagle, Megan Larson, Jordan Paterson, Megan Botel, *Los Angeles Times Studios*, “Rebuilding L.A. ‘Where Do We Go From Here’”
- \* Josh Schimmels, *Los Angeles Business Journal*, “PNC C-Speak: The Language of Executives”

#### **K12. LIMITED SERIES PODCAST**

- \* Christopher Goffard, *Los Angeles Times*, “Pandora’s Box: The Fall of L.A.’s Sheriff”
- \* Katie Hyson, *KPBS Public Media*, “One of Their Own”
- \* Natalie Lopez, Mallory Carra, Megan Donis, Charles Zukoski, Allison Agsten, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Your Community, Electrified”
- \* Giselle Suastegui, *Dímelo at USCAnnenberg*, “Untold Stories of the 1917 Santa Fe Bath Riots”

#### **K13. TALK/PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

- \* Alta Journal Staff, *Alta Journal*, “Alta Journal's California Book Club”
- \* Chris Greenspon, *SGV Connect*, “SGV Connect 139: ICE”
- \* Chris Greenspon, Joe Linton, *SGV Connect*, “SGV Connect 137: Olympic Cricket at the Pomona Fairplex”
- \* Larry Mantle, *LAist*, “The rise of OnlyFans and its impact on the sex work industry”

#### **K14. DOCUMENTARY**

- \* Lance Orozco, *KCLU Radio*, “Apocalypse: 80 Years Later”

### **L. ONLINE, Exclusively published on the Internet.**

#### **L1. EDITORIALS**

- \* Katrina Freeny, *Zócalo Public Square*, “The Eaton Fire Took My Black Santas, But Not My Christmas Spirit”
- \* Daniel Guss, *DanielGuss.Substack.com*, “Numb and Number: Karen Bass Endorses Antonio Villaraigosa for Governor”

- \* Hans Johnson, *Local News Pasadena*, “Why Are Pasadenans Paying for Kristi Noem’s Illegal Ad at Local Airport?”
- \* Bennet Kelley, *Democratic Underground*, “A Call to Action on a Somber VE Day”
- \* Sheryl Turner, *Local News Pasadena*, “How Loudly Can We Beat the Drum, City Hall?”

## **L2. HARD NEWS**

- \* Meghann Cuniff, *Independent*, “Ex-girlfriend testifies about alleged post-raid sex trafficking by Sean 'Diddy' Combs”
- \* Meghann Cuniff, *Independent*, “New U.S. attorney in LA moves to strike jury's felony civil rights verdict against cop”
- \* Spencer Custodio, *Voice of OC*, “Are Orange County’s Streets About to Get Militarized?”
- \* Jeremy Lindenfeld, *Capital & Main*, “Forest Service Cuts Leave Firefighters Mowing Lawns While Morale Craters”
- \* Alejandra Molina, Jessica Perez, Andrew Lopez, Laura Anaya-Morga, *The LA Local*, “Toddler among 6 people taken as immigration agents raid Cypress Park Home Depot”

## **L3. GENERAL NEWS**

- \* Elena Bruess, *Capital & Main*, “It’s Brown And Burns Your Eyes. In Small-Town Texas, Clean Water Is Elusive.”
- \* Roger Cheng, *TheWrap*, “AI Is Still a Dirty Word in Hollywood. That’s the Problem”
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- \* Seth Abramovitch, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Conan O’Brien Threw a Holiday Party to Forget a Bad Year. Then Nick Reiner Arrived.”
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\* Louis Keene, *The Forward*, “A groundbreaking agreement for LGBTQ+ Orthodox Jews collapsed after 50 days. What happened?”

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- \* William Earl, *Variety*, “Texting, Weed and Sing-Alongs: Four Radical Ideas for Bringing New Audiences to Movie Theaters”
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- \* Hanh Nguyen, *Salon.com*, “The ABBA song that’s huge in Vietnam at year’s end”
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- \* Alistair Alexander, *Truthdig*, “The Ecological Cost of AI Is Much Higher Than You Think”
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- \* Fallon Brannon, *AfroLA*, “Recovery after the Eaton Fire isn’t one size fits all”
- \* Louis Keene, *The Forward*, “A handcrafted Torah ark perished in the L.A. wildfires. My dad’s was seeking a new home.”
- \* Tyler Kingkade, *NBC News Digital*, “Baseball meetup helps a group of dads stitch life back together after L.A. fires”
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- \* John Lavitt, *The Hollywood Times*, “The Royal Hawaiian: Waikiki’s Pink Palace of History, Luxury, and Aloha”
- \* Lisa Niver, *Reader's Digest*, “Here’s What You Need to Know About “Aisle Lice” Before Your Next Flight”
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- \* Leo Barraclough, *Variety*, “‘1001 Frames’ Director on the Audience Response to Her Iranian Audition Room Tale: ‘Ten of the Women Were in the Bathroom Crying’”
- \* Denton Davidson, *Gold Derby*, “‘The Alabama Solution’: Inside the prison rebellion captured through forbidden cellphones”
- \* Matthew Frank, *The Ankler*, “Ghosts in the Balcony: A Cross-Country Trip to 58 Theaters Fighting to Survive”
- \* M.G. Lord, *Los Angeles Review of Books*, “A Forever for Sally”
- \* Hanh Nguyen, *Salon.com*, “‘Keeping you obsessed’: Netflix’s demons vs. hunters movie captures the mystical allure of K-pop”

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- \* Simi Horwitz, *The Forward*, “At 87, one of the great Jewish film directors thinks there's still time to start over”
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## **L25A. FILM FEATURE, Production Histories, Business**

- \* Kate Aurthur, *Variety*, “Bravo Boss Frances Berwick on the ‘Joy’ of BravoCon and Who Can Be Forgiven by the Network (Karen Huger!) — and Who Can’t (Jen Shah, Probably)”
- \* Selome Hailu, *Variety*, “‘Forever’: Mara Brock Akil on How the Period Before George Floyd’s Murder, the Dangers of Smartphones and Judy Blume Inspired Her Black Teen Love Story”
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\* Marcus Errico, *Gold Derby*, “‘The Citizen Kane–Drumline–Severance shared universe’: The secret history of Choreography and Merriment”

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\* Lyndsey Parker, *Lyndsanity*, “How powerpop power couple Vicki Peterson & John Cowsill’s real-life romance was predicted by teenage fan-fiction: ‘You’re either going to find this adorable, or you’re going to run screaming into the night’”

\* Sam Quinones, *Zócalo Public Square*, “The Tuba’s Cross-Border Journey to the Front of the Band”

\* Leena Tailor, *Grammy.com*, “How Indian Artists, Beats & Collabs Are Taking Over Mainstream Music, From Coldplay To Coachella”

\* Chris Willman, *Variety*, “Wet Leg Is Back to Save Rock With ‘Moisturizer,’ as Rhian Teasdale Undergirds the Guitars With ‘Soppy Love Songs’: ‘Queer Love Is So Interesting to Me Right Now’”

### **L26B. MUSIC FEATURE, Solo Artists**

\* Holly Gleason, *POLLSTAR.com*, “Megan Moroney, the ‘Emo Cowgirl’/‘Bad Bitch Country’ Artist Sells Out Radio City (2x), Sheds, Arenas + More”

\* Matt Hurwitz, *Mix Magazine*, “Making of the Music for ‘Springsteen: Deliver Me From Nowhere’”

\* Matt Hurwitz, *Mix Magazine*, “Ringo Goes Country with T Bone Burnett”

\* Lyndsey Parker, *Gold Derby*, “Sean Ono Lennon on his ‘Mind Games’ Grammy nomination and stewarding his family’s legacy: ‘I’m trying to do good by my own father’”

\* Leena Tailor, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Taylor Swift: Tribute Acts Are Saving Lives, Pocketing Paychecks and Finding Fame”

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\* Scott Feinberg, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “‘Getting to Do It for an Audience, It’s Like Drugs’: 7 Tony Nominees on Jumping Between Hollywood and Broadway”

\* John Lavitt, *The Hollywood Times*, “Right About Now: Vaccinations, Trauma, and Theatre’s

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\* Robert Oventile, *Local News Pasadena*, “The Scottish Play Soars”

\* Naman Ramachandran, *Variety*, “‘MJ the Musical’ Star Jamaal Fields-Green on the ‘Huge Responsibility’ of Playing Michael Jackson on Stage: ‘I Have No Choice but to Continuously Perfect the Craft’”

\* Chris Willman, *Variety*, “Reimagining ‘Hamlet’ as a Lynchian L.A. Story: Director Robert O’Hara on Doing Shakespeare With a Noir/’Mulholland Drive’ Twist at the Mark Taper”

## **L28. VISUAL ARTS/DESIGN/ARCHITECTURE FEATURE**

\* Marianne Dhenin, *Noema Magazine*, “The Gulf World That Air Conditioning Wrought”

\* John Last, *Noema Magazine*, “The Vanishing Art Of Building Sacred Spaces”

\* Michelle Peng, *Dwell*, “His Modernist Ideas for L.A. Living Were Dismissed. Now, They Could Be a Blueprint for Rebuilding”

\* Robert L. Pincus, *Art with Bob Pincus on YouTube*, “Famous San Diego artists - The Paintings of Manny Farber and Patricia Patterson”

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\* David Canfield, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Laura Dern Reflects on a Year of Personal Grief, Industry Anxiety and Great Movies”

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\* John Lavitt, *The Hollywood Times*, “Christie Brinkley Explores the Evolution of the ‘Uptown Girl’ with Cindy Crawford”

\* Solvej Schou, *Otis College of Art and Design*, “Otis College MFA Fine Arts Alum Vita Kari Makes Social Media and Art World Gold”

\* Ellise Shafer, *Variety*, “Diana Silvers on Her Debut Album ‘From Another Room’ and Following Folk Heroes by Speaking Truth to Power: ‘If Your Art Doesn’t Scare You, It’s Not Really Worth It’ (EXCLUSIVE)”

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\* Victoria Thomas, *Local News Pasadena*, “Doyenne of the Diaspora”

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- \* Hosam Elattar, *Voice of OC*, “Fighting Cancer, Spreading Awareness With Art”
- \* Ana Figueroa, *Beverly Hills Courier*, “José Andrés Wants It All”
- \* John Gittelsohn, Patrick Clark, *Bloomberg Businessweek*, “The Political Transformation of California’s Mall King”
- \* Jeff Gordinier, *Alta Journal*, “Holbox’s Michelin Chef Was Awaiting Citizenship Until 2025”
- \* Jon Regardie, *Westside Current*, “Adrin Nazarian and the Quest for the Front Bench”

### **L32. COLUMNIST on Entertainment/Media**

- \* Corey Atad, *Truthdig*
- \* Gary Baum, *The Hollywood Reporter*
- \* Alison Herman, *Variety*
- \* Lucas Shaw, *Bloomberg News*
- \* Chris Willman, *Variety*

### **L33. COLUMNIST on Politics**

- \* Bill Blum, *Truthdig*
- \* Sonali Kolhatkar, *OtherWords, A Project of the Institute for Policy Studies*,
- \* Mark Kreidler, *Capital & Main*
- \* Jon Regardie, *Westside Current*
- \* Norberto Santana Jr., *Voice of OC*

### **L34. COLUMNIST on Current Events**

- \* Chandra Bozelko, *Witness LA*
- \* Nathan Gardels, *Noema Magazine*
- \* Piper Guinn, *Red Canary Magazine*
- \* Erin Aubry Kaplan, *Capital & Main*
- \* Ellen Snortland, *Substack*

### **L35. POLITICAL COMMENTARY, National**

- \* Bill Blum, *Truthdig*, “Yes, We Are in a Constitutional Crisis and on the Verge of Democratic Collapse”
- \* Sonali Kolhatkar, *Truthout.org*, “I’ve Covered Climate Disasters for Decades. Now I Live on the Front Lines.”
- \* Deanne Stillman, *Washington Monthly*, “Alligator Alcatraz: The Ice Detention Center Is a Sin Against Nature”
- \* Ethan Ward, Dana Amihere, *HEATDRAWN Media*, “The American Experiment”
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### **L36. POLITICAL COMMENTARY, Local**

- \* Nathan Gardels, *Noema Magazine*, “LA Blowin’ In The Wind”
- \* Avani Khorana, *AnnenbergMedia*, “OPINION: I was raised to believe in America”
- \* D. J. Waldie, *Zócalo Public Square*, “Will California Still Be Golden in 2050?”
- \* Jon Regardie, *UCLA Blueprint*, “From L.A. to N.Y.: How L.A. politics shaped the New York mayor's race”

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### **L37. NON-POLITICAL COMMENTARY**

\* Robert Kerbeck, *The Wall Street Journal*, “Lessons Learned From a Fiery Decade in L.A.”

\* John Lavitt, *The Hollywood Times*, “The Banality of Evil on Stage: ‘Here There Are Blueberries’ at The Wallis”

\* Natalia Molina, *Zócalo Public Square*, “Making Guisados of Our Grief”

\* Deanne Stillman, *Journal of the Plague Years on Substack*, “I Dreamed About the Breakup of the United States”

\* Leah Zani, *Noema Magazine*, “The Sex Lives Of Common Vegetables”

### **L38. ENTERTAINMENT COMMENTARY, Film/TV**

\* Corey Atad, *Truthdig*, “Corey Atad on Film”

\* Chandra Bozelko, *Pop Autopsy*, “The Year We Blamed the Mothers”

\* Louis Keene, *The Forward*, “Rabbi, Get Your Gun”

\* Sheryl Turner, *Local News Pasadena*, “‘The Rebel Girls’ Forgotten Heroines of the Civil Rights Movement”

\* Abbey White, *The Hollywood Reporter/Freelance*, “‘The Bear’ Is Really a Work Warning for All of Us”

### **L39. ENTERTAINMENT COMMENTARY, Arts**

\* Tama L. Brisbane, *Zócalo Public Square*, “Hip-Hop’s Coming of Age in Stockton”

\* Lyndsey Parker, *Gold Derby*, “Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Class of 2025: Our voter’s unfiltered official ballot”

\* Ellise Shafer, *Variety*, “In Defense of Rachel Zegler and Jamie Lloyd’s Controversial ‘Evita’ Balcony Scene: It Gets to the Heart of What the Musical Is Really About”

\* Ethan Shanfeld, *Variety*, “Oasis Brings Britpop and Bromance to Triumphant New Jersey Stadium Show”

\* Chris Willman, *Variety*, “How Big Is the Grammys’ Country Music Problem?”

### **L40. BLOG, INDIVIDUAL**

\* Brian Addison, *Longbeachize*

\* Daniel Guss, *DanielGuss.Substack.com*

\* Bennet Kelley, *KelleyGram*

\* Lina Lecaro, *LINA IN LA on Substack*

\* Lyndsey Parker, *Lyndsanity.com*

### **L41. BLOG, GROUP**

\* Donna Balancia, *US Rocker*, “US Rocker”

\* Aaron Couch, Borys Kit, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Heat Vision”

\* Joe Linton, Sahra Sulaiman, Damien Newton, Chris Greenspon, Joe Anthony, *Streetsblog Los Angeles*, “Streetsblog Los Angeles”

\* Jackie Strause, Rick Porter, Tony Maglio, James Hibberd, Etan Vlessing, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “Live Feed”

\* Sharon Waxman, *TheWrap*, “WaxWord”

#### **L42. WEBSITE, NEWS ORGANIZATION EXCLUSIVE TO THE INTERNET**

\* Capital & Main Staff, *Capital & Main*, “capitalandmain.com”

\* Farley Elliott, *SFGATE*, “sfgate.com/la”

\* IndieWire Staff, *IndieWire*, “indiewire.com”

\* LA Public Press Newsroom, *Los Angeles Public Press*, “lapublicpress.org”

\* Tracy McCartney, Joe Donnelly, *Red Canary Magazine*, “redcanarycollective.org/magazine”

#### **L43. WEBSITE, TRADITIONAL NEWS ORGANIZATION**

\* Nathan Gardels, Kathleen Miles, *Noema Magazine*, “noemamag.com”

\* KTLA Staff, *KTLA*, “KTLA.com”

\* The Hollywood Reporter Staff, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “hollywoodreporter.com”

\* TheWrap Staff, *TheWrap*, “thewrap.com”

\* Dorothy Wong, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “coloradoboulevard.net”

### **M. SOCIAL MEDIA, Judged on content, creativity and engagement.**

#### **M1. BEST USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA TO ENHANCE and/or COVER A STORY By an Independent Journalist**

\* Nachele Alonzo, *Instagram*, “The Reality of SNAP Benefits Cuts in America”

\* Susana Canales Barrón, *Caló News*, “Infant left momentarily parentless after immigration raid near a WIC store in Oxnard”

\* Mel Buer, *Bluesky Live Thread*, “MacArthur Park Raid, Bluesky Live Thread”

\* Meghann Cuniff, *Legal Affairs and Trials with Meghann Cuniff*, “Instagram and TokTok coverage of Cardi B's civil assault trial”

\* Chase Kang, *Freelance*, “When the “K” Disappears: Is K-pop Still Korean When It Belongs to the World”

#### **M2. BEST USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA TO ENHANCE and/or COVER A STORY By a Journalist Tied to an Organization**

\* Susana Barrón, *Los Angeles Public Press*, “An LA day laborer was deported to Mexico. His dog was left behind”

\* Gigi Graciette, *KTTV FOX 11*, “The Disappearance of Baby Emmanuel Separating Fact from Fiction Thru Social Media By Gigi Graciette”

\* Brad A. Johnson, *OLTRE*, “Instagram promotion of “How to Eat Fried Worms” in OLTRE”

\* Matthew Seedorff, *KTTV FOX 11*, “Reporter POV: The Palisades Fire”

\* Mark Stefanos, *LA Weekly*, “While Fires Rage, Angelenos Step Up to Help”

#### **M3. BEST USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA TO ENHANCE and/or COVER A STORY By a Group**

\* Harry Buerkle, Jason Rovou, Ryan Fish, Maer Roshan, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “White. Hot. Lotus.”

\* Carolyn Burt, Dorothy Elder, Will Lester, *Los Angeles Daily News*, “The destruction and devastation caused by the LA fires”

- \* Karen Foshay, Mark Grizzle, Steve Padilla, Anna Magzanyan, *Los Angeles Times Studios*, “Texts of Terror”
- \* Pablo Ortega, Sharon Romeo, *Truthdig*, “Pricey IVF Test May Be Selling False Hope”
- \* Jordan Watson, Jason Rovou, Ryan Fish, Lesley Corral, Maer Roshan, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “When roundtable talent knows their worth”

**N. FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS based in Southern California, reporting for an outlet outside of the US. Print, radio, TV or online. An English translation must be submitted along with the original work.**

#### **N1. NEWS**

- \* Martha Kelner, *Sky News UK*, “LA Wildfires Exclusive Reports”
- \* Janet R. Nepales, *GMA-7*, “Fil-Am Jonathan Eusebio talks of his feature film debut, ‘Love Hurts’”
- \* Janet R. Nepales, *GMA-7*, “Highlights at this year's Cinemacon and the 2025 Big Screen Achievement Awards”
- \* Nicole Schermuly, *RTL Germany*, “ICE Raids Spark Escalating Protests in Los Angeles”

#### **N2. FEATURE**

- \* Hiroki Endo, Kenji Asada, Naomi Hayase, Yukiko Une, Noritaka Yada, *NIKKEI*, “The ‘megadrought’ striking the American Southwest”
- \* Fernanda Ezabella, *Folha de S.Paulo*, “After losing his sight, guide navigates the Tijuana estuary through touch, smell, and sound”
- \* Michael Idato, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, “‘I didn’t know how to unpack the pain’: TV star finally comes face to face with his trauma”
- \* Mary O’Hara, *View Digital Magazine*, “Why would you want the worst healthcare system in the world?”
- \* Keiran Southern, *The Times of London*, “Meet the ‘cannabis nuns’ of California who are praying for survival”

#### **N3. PERSONALITY PROFILE**

- \* Lena Basse, *Moteris/Lithuania*, “Jafar Panahi and the Moral Labyrinth of Iranian Cinema”
- \* Michael Idato, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, “‘I’ve got nothing left to hide’: Brendan Fraser on his extraordinary third act”
- \* Alessandra Mattanza, *FORBES*, “Interview with Harrison Ford: ‘I wanted to be a carpenter, now I fight for the planet.’”
- \* Nicole Schermuly, Marc Sterzenbach, *RTL Germany*, “Mickey Rourke: The Self-Destruction of a Hollywood Icon”
- \* Kirpi Uimonen, *Freelance /Eeva*, “‘I will soon learn what it is like to be a grandmother’”

#### **N4. ENTERTAINMENT NEWS or FEATURE**

- \* Michael Idato, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, “Sixty years on, A Charlie Brown Christmas still moves me to tears”
- \* Alessandra Mattanza, *Best Movie*, “Interview with Ethan Hawke: ‘With the character of ‘The Graber’ I return from the realm of the dead.’”
- \* Janet R. Nepales, *GMA-7*, “Historic wins of Sean Baker and Anora at the Oscars”

- \* Ruben V. Nepales, *Rappler*, “At 62, Demi Moore finally feels ‘liberated’ from her own self”
- \* Ruben V. Nepales, *Rappler*, “Netflix’s ‘Adolescence,’ each episode filmed in one shot, grapples with male rage”

#### **N5. COLUMNIST or CRITIC**

- \* Lena Basse, *Moteris/Lithuania*
- \* Fernanda Ezabella, *Folha de S.Paulo*
- \* Michael Idato, *The Sydney Morning Herald*
- \* Ruben V. Nepales, *Rappler*

#### **O. STUDENT MEDIA**

**Student media includes groups with students in charge, including school newspapers and/or online publishing. Student media: high school, local college, university undergraduate or graduate publications or news websites.**

##### **O1. BEST COLLEGE NEWSPAPER**

- \* el Don Staff, *el Don/Santa Monica College*, “el Don”
- \* Tony Gleason, Graphic Staff, *The Graphic*, “The Graphic”
- \* Long Beach Current Staff, *Long Beach Current*, “Long Beach Current”
- \* Los Angeles City College Staff, *Los Angeles City College*, “Los Angeles Collegian”
- \* The Union Staff, *The Union*, “The Union”

##### **O2. BEST HIGH SCHOOL NEWSPAPER**

- \* Sofia Ayrapetyan, *The Pearl Post*
- \* Alexxa Berumen, *The Accolade*
- \* Angelina Jeong, Faith Jung, *The Accolade*
- \* Joel Nam, Olamide Olumide, *VNHS Mirror*
- \* Irene Park, Nicole Park, *The Accolade*

##### **O3. BEST COLLEGE NEWS WEBSITE**

- \* Daily Bruin Staff, *Daily Bruin*, “dailybruin.com”
- \* el Don Staff, *el Don*, “eldonnews.org”
- \* Long Beach Current Staff, *Long Beach Current*, “lbcurent.com”
- \* The Los Angeles Loyolan Staff, *The Los Angeles Loyolan*, “laloyolan.com”
- \* The Union Staff, *The Union*, “eccunion.com”

##### **O4. BEST HIGH SCHOOL NEWS WEBSITE**

- \* Aashna Dialani, *The Accolade*, “shhsacolade.com”
- \* LILA Gazette Team, Guillaume Serina, *International School of Los Angeles*, “lilagazette.com”
- \* Joel Nam, Olamide Olumide, Aidyn Kinchen, Haik Ushaglyan, *VNHS Mirror*, “vnhsmirror.com”
- \* Jenny Marquez, Tania Lopez, *The Pearl Post*, “thepearlpost.com”

##### **O5. BEST NEWS PHOTO**

- \* Ethan Cohen, *Long Beach Current*, “Crowds, chaos, resistance: Scenes from DTLA’s anti-ICE protests”

- \* Jake Crandall, *The Corsair*, “A protester stands on top of a destroyed Waymo car holding a hammer”
- \* Kayjel J. Mairena, *The Corsair*, “Jimmy Kimmel cancelation protestor”
- \* Juan Mendoza, *Los Angeles Collegian*, “Scotus Expands ICE Powers”
- \* Andrew Ramiro Diaz, *The Daily Bruin*, “Gallery: UCLA AFSCME Local 3299 members strike Nov. 17 and 18, demand fair work contract”

## **O6. BEST FEATURE PHOTO**

- \* Eddy Cermeno, *Warrior Life*, “The Hairapist Is In”
- \* Alyssa Lopez, *The LA Local*, “From practice to glory: Photos from the Boyle Heights Wolfpack’s season”
- \* Katherine Lytle, *The Graphic*, “Return To Roots”
- \* Diego Perez, *Long Beach Current*, “Get on Pointe”
- \* Griff Yarmaloff, *The Los Angeles Loyolan*, “She wanted to be in the military. Trump’s executive order is stopping her.”

## **O7. BEST SPORTS WRITING – PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Alyson Cerna, *VNHS Mirror*, “Fresh journeys, familiar bonds”
- \* Karan Lodha, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Former Bob Cousy Award nominee D.J. Gay is still running point”
- \* Karan Lodha, Travis Ellison, *AnnenbergMedia*, “The invisible hand: Behind the scenes of Angel City’s gameday setup”
- \* Steven Lopez, *Cal State Los Angeles University Times*, “From setbacks to MVP: Ayjah Landers on her comeback story”
- \* Brandon Rowley, *el Don*, “Blading Cup 2025 draws world’s top talents to Santa Ana”

## **O8. BEST ARTS WRITING – PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Jack Hallinan, *AnnenbergMedia*, “The life and rebirth of Vidiots”
- \* Danielle Hughes, *AnnenbergMedia*, “‘Nothing to See Here: Watts’ — A self-made story of healing, hope and home”
- \* Nina Kremer, *Daily Trojan*, “AI actress Tilly Norwood sparks Hollywood debate”
- \* Avidha Raha, *AnnenbergMedia*, “In discussion with Homebound filmmaker Neeraj Ghaywan”
- \* Warren Riley, *Daily Bruin*, “Theatre Palisades continues legacy of community, creativity after LA County fires”

## **O9. BEST NEWS WRITING, Campus Issues, Budget/Personnel – PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Delilah Brumer, *Pierce College Roundup News*, “Pierce students grapple with food insecurity”
- \* Andrea Curiel, *The LA Local*, “LAUSD students prepare for ‘major shift’ as cellphone ban takes effect”
- \* Kate Luengo, *Tribe Tribune, Fullerton Union High School*, “Senior Assassin game triggers lockdown”
- \* Carlos Merlo, *The Bulletin*, “Budget cuts drive CSUDH-Cal State Fullerton partnership at Student Health Center”
- \* Irene Park, *The Accolade*, “BREAKING NEWS: Two-hour Shelter in Place enacted following bomb threats via phone call”

## **O10. BEST NEWS WRITING Campus Issues, Layoffs/Strikes/Protests**

### **– PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Henry Adams, *The Graphic*, “Pepperdine Administrators Shut Down Weisman Exhibition After Censoring Artwork”
- \* Ayleen Bran, *VNHS Mirror*, “Budget cuts lead to counselor reassignments”
- \* Hali Mecklin, Paige Shea, Laya Albert, Mohammed Zain Shafi Khan, *AnnenbergMedia*, “USC President Carol Folt reflects on her tenure at USC: ‘You’re not there to necessarily please people’”
- \* Sam Mulick, *Daily Bruin*, “Long commutes, short-staffed – ‘We want to live,’ union leaders demand from UC”
- \* Sorina Szakacs, Angela Johnson, *Los Angeles City College Collegian*, “Journalism Cuts - Part 1, 2, 3 and 4”

## **O11. BEST NEWS WRITING, Off Campus issues – PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Kendall Baldwin, Sarah Goldstein, Cassidy Hudson, Karan Lodha, Laura Pylvänäinen, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Stepping up: Los Angeles soccer fans refuse to be sidelined”
- \* Danielle Hughes, *AnnenbergMedia*, “One Year After a Historic Settlement, Section 14 Survivors Are Still Fighting for Home, Healing, and Recognition”
- \* Hali Mecklin, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Art and education programs are the heart of San Quentin. Where’s their funding, Newsom?”
- \* Gabrielle Salgado, *The Graphic*, “Flourishing After Fire: Sprouts Return to Malibu Hillsides”
- \* Adriana Valencia, *The LA Local*, “For some students, the most dangerous part of the school day is getting home”

## **O12. BEST FEATURE WRITING, Campus Issues – PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Alicia Bennett, *Tribe Tribune, Fullerton Union High School*, “Time For Change”
- \* Delilah Brumer, *Pierce College Bull Magazine*, “Parenting, serving and finding themselves”
- \* Emily Kim, *The Accolade*, “RITUAL VS. REALITY: Superstitions rule the game for SH students”
- \* Elise Pak, *The Accolade*, “DOOR DASHERS: More students opt for food delivery during lunch than settling for ‘gross,’ free school meals”
- \* Haylie Ross, Emma Martinez, *The Graphic*, “Keeping ‘Our Girls’ Light Alive on Campus”

## **O13. BEST FEATURE WRITING, Off Campus Issues – PRINT or ONLINE**

- \* Kimberly Aguirre, *AnnenbergMedia*, “‘Our Playground’: A love letter to lesbian bars”
- \* Emma Martinez, *The Graphic*, “Sell or Stay: Malibu’s Iconic Beachfront Properties After the Flames”
- \* Hali Mecklin, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Art and education programs are the heart of San Quentin. Where’s their funding, Newsom?”
- \* Olivia Palombo, *The Los Angeles Loyolan*, “She wanted to be in the military. Trump’s executive order is stopping her.”
- \* Andriana Yatsyshyn, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Laughing Through the Breakdown: How Comedy Keeps Young Americans Politically Tuned in”

## **O14. BEST PERSONALITY PROFILE, Campus Personalities – ANY PLATFORM**

- \* Erica Lee, *Warrior Life*, “The United Skates of Keiana”
- \* Karis Kim, *Tribe Tribune, Fullerton Union High School*, “Class Clown”
- \* Amanda Monahan, *The Graphic*, “Scientist, Midwesterner and Mentor: Dean Lee Kats Shares Journey from Farm to Shore”
- \* Elise Pak, *The Accolade*, “Capturing the moments”
- \* Madison Thacker, *VNHS Mirror*, “Julian Pankowski UNSCRIPTED”

#### **O15. BEST PERSONALITY PROFILE, Off Campus Personalities – ANY PLATFORM**

- \* Hannah Anaya, *The LA Local*, “‘I just hope I can leave my mark’: Teaching math goes beyond the numbers for this Roosevelt High teacher”
- \* Caitlin Brockenbrow, *Daily Bruin*, “Liberation Left Untold”
- \* Maya Diaz, *VNHS Mirror*, “Dynamic duo: The Army, The Navy captivates indie fans”
- \* Amanda Monahan, *The Graphic*, “Calabasas Coffee House Brews Community”
- \* David Rendon, Nicholas Corral, *Daily Trojan*, “‘It’s a bookstore in a van down by the river’”

#### **O16. BEST TV or STREAM REPORTING**

- \* Isabella Garcia, Grace Lawson, Dante Estrada, *Long Beach Current*, “Second Street bars hit 30-day blackout”
- \* Dave Martin, Jeremy Cuenca, Emily Gonzales, Erika Ramirez, Beatrice Alcalá, *Collegian Wired, YouTube*, “LAPD Fires Rubber Bullets at Media, Dolores Huerta Calls for Peace”
- \* Coleman Standifer, Sabatino Stacchi, *The Los Angeles Loyolan*, “There is a ‘demographic cliff’ threatening college enrollment numbers”
- \* Skylar Stock, *Long Beach Current*, “No Kings in Long Beach”
- \* Jenna Tibby, *The Corsair*, “Fighting food waste through the Santa Monica College Bodega”

#### **O17. BEST RADIO or PODCAST REPORTING**

- \* Jenny Marquez, Jasmine Thompson, *Room 22 Podcast*, “Student journalists in the age of the Trump Administration”
- \* Emma Russell, Zak McHale, *The Los Angeles Loyolan*, “Voices of the Newsroom: Inside the tense first Community Conversations event”
- \* Daishalyn Satcher, Jack Waterman, *AnnenbergMedia*, “Black History From Where We Are”
- \* Giselle Suastegui, *Dímelo at USCAnnenberg*, “Untold Stories of the 1917 Santa Fe Bath Riots”
- \* Megan Vahdat, *Daily Bruin*, “Persian Perspectives Today: Journalist, author and activist Homa Sarshar”

#### **P. A-MARK CASH PRIZE FOR REPORTING ON MISINFORMATION AND DISINFORMATION**

- \* Louis Keene, *The Forward*, “After MIT professor’s killing, Jewish influencers spread unverified antisemitism claim”
- \* Tyler Kingkade, *NBC News Digital*, “One photo, a deluge of threats: Inside the Arizona high school turned upside down by right-wing activists”
- \* Jason Leopold, *Bloomberg News*, “UK Ambassador Told Epstein ‘I Think the World of You’ Emails Reveal”
- \* Elena Palmer, *Indie Entertainment Media*, “Slandered: The Tragic Case of Rachel Faucette in a Racist World”

\* Erin Wisneski, Cynthia Griffith, Jocelyn Figueroa, *Invisible People News*, “It's Not Just One Anchor: The Machine Behind Anti-Homeless Rhetoric”

**Q. TATIANA SCHLOSSBERG ENVIRONMENTAL CASH AWARD**

\* Gabrielle Canon, Hilary Beaumont, Lois Beckett, Maanvi Singh, Sam Levin, *The Guardian*, “The perfect storm: Why did LA’s wildfires explode out of control?”

\* Lisa Fung, *Blueprint Magazine*, “Gaurav Sant: Looking to the Oceans for Answers”

\* Noah Haggerty, *Los Angeles Times*, “The sanity of sheltering in place during a wildfire”

\* Jess McHugh, *Noema Magazine*, “The Ark-Builders Saving Fragile Bits Of Our World”

\* Michelle Peng, *The San Francisco Standard*, “California forests have a labor crisis: Not enough people willing to climb trees”