

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 Loudenback, 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!”
- * Marc Ratner, *Colorado Boulevard Newspaper*, “Note to Self: Lonely Elf”

* Eli Valley, *Truthdig*, “The Clarifier”

D10. ILLUSTRATION

* Lincoln Agnew, Ada Guerin, Nicholas Brawley, THR Art Dept, *The Hollywood Reporter*, “The Exiles of Tehrangeles”

* Hélène Blanc, *Noema Magazine*, “Why Science Hasn't Solved Consciousness (Yet)”

* Matt Mahurin, *Alta Journal*, “Sketchbook: Disasters Bring Out Our Best”

* Dadu Shin, *Noema Magazine*, “The Languages Lost To Climate Change”

* Ricardo Tomas, Haley Kluge, *Variety*, “CBS Microphone”

D11. GRAPHIC

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- * Todd Spangler, *Variety*, “YouTube at 20: How the Video Colossus Launched the Creator Economy and Turned From Hollywood Foe to Friend”

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- * 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 Griffith, *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 Griffith, *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”
- * Stephanie Mendez, *ABC News*, “Domestic workers in Los Angeles face financial crisis after homes they worked in were lost to the fires”
- * Tess Patton, *TheWrap*, “An AI Podcasting Machine Is Churning Out 3,000 Episodes a Week — and People Are Listening”
- * Jerry Redfern, *Capital & Main*, “On the Navajo Nation, the List of Mystery Wells Continues to Grow”

L4. CULTURE NEWS, TV/Film Related

- * Jose Alejandro Bastidas, *TheWrap*, “The Rise of ‘Heated Rivalry’: What Hollywood Can Learn From Canada’s Gay Hockey Smut Phenomenon, Analysis”
- * Whitney Friedlander, *The Ankler*, “Gen Z Is Huge. Their TV Shows Are Tiny. And Hollywood Is Panicking”
- * Andi Ortiz, *TheWrap*, “James Gunn’s ‘Superman’ Leads to More Than 500% Surge in Dog Adoption Interest, Thanks to Krypto”
- * Rebecca Rubin, *Variety*, “More Products, Less Press: How ‘Wicked: For Good’ Marketing Stayed Relevant While Scaling Back”
- * Brian Steinberg, *Variety*, “CBS Put ‘Evening News’ Through Massive Overhaul. Now It Needs People to Watch”

L5. CULTURE NEWS, Profiles

- * Miles Klee, *Rolling Stone*, “Dylan Mulvaney Wanted to Write About Girlhood. Then She Had to Grow Up Fast”
- * JD Knapp, *TheWrap*, “Former Child Star Alyson Stoner’s Memoir Exists to Prevent Downward Spirals in All Areas – Not Just Young Hollywood”
- * Emily Longeretta, *Variety*, “Phil Feeds Somebody: Phil Rosenthal and Daughter Lily Plan to Fix America With Their Family Diner”

- * Brandon Richardson, *Long Beach Watchdog*, “‘I’d rather be depressed around colors’: Open Gallery set to reopen one year after a drunk driver smashed into building”
- * Todd Spangler, *Variety*, “Meet Harry, Ron and Hermione From Audible’s ‘Harry Potter’ Series: Young Actors on the ‘Mind-Blowing’ Thrill of Being Cast in Iconic Roles, Becoming Real-Life Friends and More”

L6. CULTURE NEWS, Events

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

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- * Corey Atad, *Truthdig*
- * Gary Baum, *The Hollywood Reporter*
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- * Bill Blum, *Truthdig*
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- * Chandra Bozelko, *Witness LA*
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* Lyndsey Parker, *Gold Derby*, “Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Class of 2025: Our voter’s unfiltered official ballot”

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* Brian Addison, *Longbeachize*

* Daniel Guss, *DanielGuss.Substack.com*

* Bennet Kelley, *KelleyGram*

* Lina Lecaro, *LINA IN LA on Substack*

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

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- * 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”