



A black and white portrait of Richard Milliman, an elderly man with glasses, wearing a suit and tie, smiling slightly. The portrait is the background for the text on the left side of the page.

## Richard Milliman: A Proud Legacy

Richard Milliman was inducted into the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame in 1994 following a career that spanned more than 60 years in state newspapers.

He was a reporter, writer, editor, manager or owner and publisher at more than 40 Michigan newspapers. In 1980, Milliman was a leader in establishing the Michigan Press Association Foundation to promote, protect and encourage journalism in Michigan.

Entries may come from news outlets, individual journalist or others acting on their behalf. Entries will be judged by a panel representative of journalism professionals, educators and members of the Foundation board.

Entries will be accepted beginning August 1, 2021.

The submission should include work from October 1, 2020-September 30, 2021.

The deadline for entries is Oct. 30, 2021.

The winner will be announced during the annual Michigan Press Association convention in 2021.

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All of that hard work could pay off! The Michigan Press Association Foundation is seeking entries for our eighth Richard Milliman Michigan Journalist of the Year competition. The winner of this competition will receive a \$1,000 award and a trophy.

The MPA Foundation is firmly committed to promoting and encouraging professional journalists across Michigan and we welcome this opportunity to recognize the best of the best in our state.

The Richard Milliman JOY Award honors journalism that has a significant impact on our state or their community. Former winners include:

**2020** *Michael Wilkinson of Bridge Michigan* for his reporting on Covid

**2019** *Tresa Baldas of The Detroit Free Press* for her coverage of sexual assaults at Jamaican resorts.

**2018** *Paula Gardner of MLive* for her reporting on PFAS.

**2017** *Garrett Ellison of MLive* for his watchdog reporting, including his coverage of Nestle water

**2016** *Karen Bouffard & Joel Kurth of the Detroit News* for revealing a decade-long problems of cleaning surgical instruments at one of Michigan’s biggest hospital systems.

**2015** *Curt Guyette of ACLU* for his reporting of the Flint Water Story.

**2014** *Jennifer Dixon of the Detroit Free Press* for her investigative reporting into the lack of transparency on how \$1 billion of taxpayer funds are spent on charter schools in Michigan.

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