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ATTENTION MICHIGAN JOURNALISTS:

Your work makes a difference for Michigan citizens every day. This has been truer than ever during the pandemic crisis we've all faced this year. Coupled with social justice and all of the other significant events in our state your reporting has been remarkable.



About the Michigan Press Association Foundation

The Michigan Press Association Foundation was established in 1980 to further the interests of community journalism in Michigan. The Foundation's mission includes serving the public interest by encouraging, fostering and aiding improvements in the quality, vigor and fairness of journalism and a free press in the State of Michigan. The Foundation has invested more than \$330,000 in Michigan journalism since 1990, including the award of nearly 300 scholarships to college-level journalism

THE RICHARD MILLIMAN

MICHIGAN
*Journalist
of
the Year*

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PRINT AND ONLINE AWARDS FOR JOURNALISTS

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.

The Richard Milliman Michigan Journalist of the Year award is an annual competition sponsored by the Michigan Press Association Foundation. In 2016, the Michigan Journalist of the Year award was renamed in honor of Richard Milliman, a MPA Foundation founder and long term supporter and advocate of press 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.

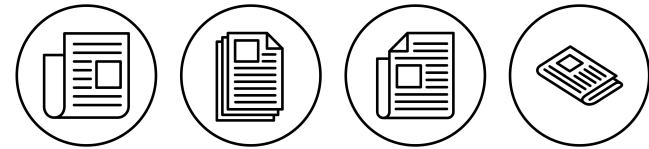
Entries will be accepted beginning August 1, 2021.

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

If you already have an open call account from a previous year or if you have entered other open call contests here are the steps to add the 2021 Michigan Journalist of the Year contest to My Contests:

1. Once you login go to Open Call Contests
2. Click on My Contests
3. Find 2021 Michigan Journalist of the Year contest under available contests and click in the check box. Once you click it, the contest will move up to Pending Contests and you will then be approved by the contest admin

While waiting to be approved for the contest, you can go to Manage Entries and start entering the contest.



The deadline for entries is Oct. 30, 2021.

The winner will be announced during the annual Michigan Press Association convention in 2022.

Visit betterbnc.com and click on "Open Call Login" in the right column to create your account.

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 local 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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