

2012 Virginia Associated Press Broadcasters Contest Awards

Radio Winners:

BEST COVERAGE OF A SPOT NEWS STORY

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM "Virginia Tech Shooting"
Superior Non-Metro: WFLS-FM "Bus Crash"
Meritorious Metro: WTOP-FM "Capital Quake"

BEST COVERAGE OF A CONTINUING NEWS STORY

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM "Earthquake"
Superior Non-Metro: WFLS-FM "Bus Crash"
Meritorious Non-Metro: WFLS-FM "Quake"

BEST YEAR-ROUND SPORTS

Superior Metro: No entries
Superior Non-Metro: WBTM-AM "G.W. High School Football"

BEST DOCUMENTARY OR IN-DEPTH REPORT

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM "Search for Robbie Wood"
Superior Non-Metro: WFLS-FM "Focus: The Crab"
Meritorious Metro: WTOP-FM "The BRAC Impact"

BEST FEATURE OR HUMAN INTEREST

Superior Metro: WTOP-FM "On the Trail of Ghosts"
Superior Non-Metro: WBTM-AM "New Home for Wounded Warrior"
Meritorious Metro: WRVA-AM "Richmond Folk Festival"
Meritorious Non-Metro: WFLS-FM "Manassas Battlefield"

OUTSTANDING EFFORT BY AN INDIVIDUAL REPORTER

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM Jay Hart
Superior Non-Metro: WFLS-FM Bill Dubensky
Meritorious Non-Metro: Kathryn Davis

BEST EDITORIAL OR EDITORIAL SERIES:

Superior Metro: WTOP-FM "Core Values"
Superior Non-Metro: No entries

BEST WEBSITE

Superior Metro: no entries
Superior Non-Metro: WBTM-AM (www.wbtm1330.com)
Meritorious Non-Metro: WFLS-FM (www.wflsnews.com)

OUTSTANDING VIRGINIA NEWS OPERATION OF THE YEAR

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM
Superior Non-Metro: WFLS-FM
Meritorious Non-Metro: WBTM-AM

DOUGLAS SOUTHALL FREEMAN AWARD FOR PUBLIC SERVICE THROUGH RADIO

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM "Hurricane Irene"

Superior Non-Metro: WFLS-FM "Monday Morning Medical Report"

Meritorious Non-Metro: WBTM-AM "Health Beat"

BEST RADIO NEWS ANCHOR OF THE YEAR

Superior Metro: WRVA-AM Andy Doernen

Superior Non-Metro: WNTX-AM Deirdre Blake

Meritorious Non-Metro: WBTM-AM Chuck Vipperman

Meritorious Non-Metro: WINA-AM Rob Graham

BEST RADIO SPORTS ANCHOR OF THE YEAR

Superior Metro: No entries

Superior Non-Metro: WBTM-AM Chuck Vipperman and Don Robertson

TV Winners:

Best Coverage of a Spot News Story

Superior WDBJ – Virginia Tech Officer Shot

Meritorious WCYB- Tornado Coverage

Meritorious WCAV – Earthquake

Best Coverage of a Continuing News Story

Superior WDBJ – Search for a 16-year-old Girl

Meritorious WRIC – Miracle in Hanover

Meritorious WTKR – Police Recruit Death

Best Year-round Sports Coverage

Superior WDBJ

Meritorious WSET & WWBT

Best Documentary or In-Depth Report

Superior WTVR – Walter Plecker

Meritorious WTKR – Norfolk Prostitution Problem

Meritorious WTVR – A Life Like Yours

Best Feature or Human Interest Story

Superior WTVR – And the Beat Goes On

Meritorious WTKR – Do My Military Job

Meritorious WTVR – Problems with Facebook

Outstanding Effort by an Individual Reporter

Superior WRIC – A.J. Lagoe

Meritorious WSET – David Tate

Meritorious WTKR – Anjali Hemphill

Best Editorial or Editorial Series

Superior WTVR – The mayor and Hurricane Irene

Meritorious WWBT – NBC 12

Best Spot Photography

Superior WWBT – River Rescue
Meritorious WWBT – Flooding
Meritorious WDBJ – Bassett Warehouse Fire

Best Feature Photography

Superior WTVR – John Mitchell Jr
Meritorious WTVR – Peppers at The Alamo
Meritorious WRIC – They Call me a Killer

Best Investigative Series

Superior WTKR – Military Mold
Meritorious WRIC – A.J. Investigates
Meritorious WSLs – Death of a Foster Child

Best Website

Superior WVIR – www.nbc29.com
Meritorious WWBT – www.nbc12.com
Meritorious WTVR – www.wtvr.com

Best Weathercast of the Year

Superior WDBJ
Meritorious WRIC
Meritorious WWBT

Outstanding Effort by an Individual Weathercaster

Superior WWBT – Andrew Freiden
Meritorious WRIC – Paul Milliken
Meritorious WRIC – John Bernier

Best News Anchor of the Year

Superior WSET – Noreen Turyn
Meritorious WCYB – Rebecca Pepin
Meritorious WCYB – Tarah Taylor

Best Sports Anchor of the Year

Superior WRIC – Yianni Kourakis
Meritorious WTVR – Lane Casadonte
Meritorious WVEC – Scott Cash

Outstanding Effort by an Individual Reporter

Superior WRIC – Jacqui Sweigart
Meritorious WSET – Scott Wilson
Meritorious WTKR – Joshua Wehmeyer

Douglas Southall Freeman Award for Public Service Through Journalism

Superior WWBT – On Your Side

Meritorious WRIC – Where’s My Landlord?

Outstanding News Operation of the Year

Superior WCYB

Meritorious WWBT

Meritorious WTKR