

2019 Azbee Awards of Excellence

Heartland Region Design, Online & Print Awards

(Alphabetical by publication name)

Automotive News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: All Content - Government Coverage

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Automotive News

Eric Kulisch, Reporter

Automotive News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Print - Feature Article - General Interest, More Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Janesville

Nick Bunkley, Enterprise Editor

Automotive News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Print - Individual Profile

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Terry Taylor's Secret Sauce

Jamie LaReau, Reporter and Hannah Lutz, Reporter

Automotive News

Crain Communications

Category: Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: China in Charge

Hans Greimel, Asia Editor and Nick Bunkley, Enterprise Editor

Automotive News TV

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Online - Video - News

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Sergio Stories: Tributes, Tweets and One Special Memory

Leslie Allen, Angelina Czarnecki, China Haley, Dave Versical, Jennifer Vuong and Tom Worobec

Cannabis Business Times

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: All Content - Company Profile, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Driven By Science

Brian MacIver, Senior Editor; Noelle Skodzinski, Editorial Director; Katelyn Boyden, Graphic Designer and Jim Gilbride, Group Publisher

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Cannabis Business Times

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Feature Article Design, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Cannabis Business Times November Cover Story

Katelyn Boyden, Graphic Designer and Jake Gravbrot, Photographer

Cannabis Business Times

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Magazine/Newspaper Design

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Cannabis Business Times

Katelyn Boyden, Graphic Designer

Cannabis Business Times

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Online - Web Feature Article

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Introducing Acreage Holdings, the Quietly Growing Cannabis Corporation Joining Forces with John Boehner

Melissa Schiller, Assistant Digital Editor

Cannabis Business Times

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Print - Editorial/Editor's Letter

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: A Personal Note and an Eye-Opener

Noelle Skodzinski, Editorial Director; Cassie Neiden, Managing Editor; Scott Guthrie, Senior Editor; Brian MacIver, Senior Editor; Jim Gilbride, Publisher and Katelyn Boyden, Graphic Designer

Cannabis Dispensary

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Magazine/Newspaper Design

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Cannabis Dispensary - Magazine Design

Justin Armbrurger, Art Director

Cannabis Dispensary

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Illustration, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Rise of the Ambulance Chasers

Justin Armbrurger, Art Director

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Cannabis Dispensary

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Print - Case History

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Gold-Medal Marketing

Jim Gilbride, Group Publisher; Noelle Skodzinski, Editorial Director; Cassie Neiden, Managing Editor; Scott Guthrie, Senior Editor; Brian MacIver, Senior Editor and Justin Armbrurger, Art Director

Compact Equipment

Benjamin Media Inc

Category: Print - Special Section, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Operation Editors

Keith Gribbins, Publisher; Pam Kleineke, Managing Editor; Chris Crowell, Contributing Editor and Deb McManus, Designer

Craft Brewing Business

CBB Media Inc.

Category: All Content - Government Coverage

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Beer and Government

Keith Gribbins, Editor

Design World

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Illustration, More Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: How to Kill Your Favorite Variable Frequency Drive

Mark Rook, Vice President, Creative Services

Design World

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Print - Editorial/Editor's Letter

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Insights

Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director

Design World

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Print - Individual Profile

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Leadership in Engineering: Mark Mondello, CEO, Jabil Inc.

Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director

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Fleet Equipment

Babcox Media Inc.

Category: Design - Front Cover-Photo Illustration

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Carson. Kurschner. Two of DTNA's heavyweight executives are taking a targeted approach

Tammy House, Senior Art Director and Jason Morgan, Editor

Fleet Equipment

Babcox Media Inc.

Category: Print - Editorial/Editor's Letter

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Do you really own your trucks' data?

Jason Morgan, Editor

Fluid Power World

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Photo, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Hydraulic hybrid powers fuel-efficient tug

Mark Rook, Vice President, Creative Services

Garden Center

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: All Content - Company Profile, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: A modern vision: Colonial Gardens is reinventing the garden center model by combining plant retail, local food and agritourism, with a focus on experience, education and entertainment.

Michelle Simakis, Editor

Garden Center

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Infographics

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Infographics

Stephanie Antal, Art Director

Garden Center

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Photo, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: In It Together

Stephanie Antal, Art Director and Oliver Parini, Photographer

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Golfdom

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Online - Best Social Media Campaign

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Golfdom's PGA Championship social campaign

Seth Jones, Editor in Chief; Kelly Limpert, Digital Editor; Grace Rybak, Content Marketing Producer and Abby Hart, Managing Editor

Golfdom

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Golfdom's coverage of the PGA Championship

Seth Jones, Editor-in-Chief; Kelly Limpert, Digital Editor and Abby Hart, Managing Editor

Golfdom

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Print - Group Profile

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Golfdom November - Distance Learning cover story

Seth Jones, Editor-in-Chief and Golfdom staff

Golfdom

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Print - Individual Profile

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Golfdom July - PGA Championship

Seth Jones, Editor-in-Chief and Golfdom staff

Greenhouse Grower

Meister Media Worldwide

Category: Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Greenhouse Labor: Challenges and Solutions

Laura Drotleff, Editor; Janeen Wright, Managing Editor; Brian D. Sparks, Senior Editor; Rosemary Gordon, Editor, Grower Events; Richard Jones, Executive Editor and Tyler Hatch, Senior Graphic Designer

Greenhouse Management

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Front Cover-Photo, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: As the smoke clears

Allison Krieg, Graphic Designer

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Greenhouse Management

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Print - Feature Article - General Interest, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: As the smoke clears

Chris Manning, Assistant Editor

Healthcare Design

Emerald Expositions

Category: All Content - Original Research, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: A New Day

Jennifer Kovacs Silvis, Editor-in-Chief and Rebecca DeNeau, Art Director

Hotel News Now

STR

Category: All Content - Enterprise News Story

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Legal liability, implications of Marriott data breach

Bryan Wroten, Senior Reporter

Hotel News Now

STR

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread Typographic

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Best Practices - Design Spread

Rachel Daub, Graphic Designer and Jon Edwards, Art Director

Hotel News Now

STR

Category: Online - Web Feature Series

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Purging Plastic: Impact of Sustainability Initiatives on the Hotel Industry

The Hotel News Now Editorial & Design Teams

Hotel News Now

STR

Category: Online - Web Feature Article

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: New flavor of hotel F&B blends restaurant, lobby

Danielle Hess, Reporter

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Hotel News Now

STR

Category: Online - Web News Section

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Hotel News Now news section

The Hotel News Now Editorial & Design Teams

Hotel News Now

STR

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: HNN's coverage of Pebblebrook Hotel Trust's acquisition of LaSalle Hotel Properties

Sean McCracken, News Editor and Bryan Wroten, Senior Reporter

Hotel News Now

STR

Category: Online - Video - News

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Marriott's Noah Silverman talks about plans to revamp Sheraton

Sean McCracken, News Editor

Humans of Manufacturing

SME

Category: Online - Web Feature Series

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Humans of Manufacturing

Candace Roulo, Managing Editor, Dean Dimitrieski, Sales Representative; Andy Dempster, Web Manager and Kristen Courter, Web Content Administrator

Landscape Management

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: All Content - Company Profile, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: LM October cover story - Growth Mindset

Marisa Palmieri, Editor-in-Chief and LM staff

Landscape Management

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: All Content - Original Research, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: LM December cover story - Industry Pulse

Marisa Palmieri, Editor-in-Chief and LM staff

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Lawn & Landscape

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Contents Page or Pages

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: November 2018 Contents

Justin Armburger, Art Director

Lawn & Landscape

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Front Cover-Illustration, More Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: October 2018 cover

Justin Armburger, Art Director

Lawn & Landscape

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Front Cover-Best Typographic Cover

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: July 2018 cover

Justin Armburger, Art Director

Lawn & Landscape

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Illustration, More Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: October 2018 SOI - Funds for Fuel

Justin Armburger, Art Director

LP Gas

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Design - Magazine/Newspaper Redesign

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: LP Gas magazine redesign

Pete Seltzer, VP of Graphic Design & Production; Brian Richesson, Editor in Chief; Clara Richter, Managing Editor and Joe McCarthy, Associate Editor

LP Gas

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Print - Case History

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Clean cooking globally

Clara Richter, Managing Editor

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Medical Economics

UBM

Category: Print - Feature Article - General Interest, More Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Surviving Merger Mania

Jeffrey Bendix, Senior Editor; Chris Mazzolini, Editorial Director and Robert McGarr, Design Director

MOTOR Magazine

Hearst Business Publishing, Inc.

Category: Print - Regular Column, Staff Written

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Trouble Shooter

Karl Seyfert, Executive Editor; Paul M. Eckstein, Managing Editor and John Lypen, Editor & Publisher

MOTOR Magazine

Hearst Business Publishing, Inc.

Category: Print - Feature Series

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Brake Shop

Karl Seyfert, Executive Editor; Paul M. Eckstein, Managing Editor; John Lypen, Editor & Publisher and Jessica Nestorovski, Art Director

MOTOR Magazine

Hearst Business Publishing, Inc.

Category: Print - Technical Article

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: HCCI: New Life for the ICE

Bob Chabot, Contributing Writer; Karl Seyfert, Executive Editor; Paul M. Eckstein, Managing Editor; John Lypen, Editor & Publisher and Jessica Nestorovski, Art Director

MOTOR Magazine

Hearst Business Publishing

Category: Print - Technical Article

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Learn About ADAS ASAP!

Sam Bell, Contributing Writer; Karl Seyfert, Executive Editor; Paul M. Eckstein, Managing Editor; John Lypen, Editor & Publisher; and Jessica Nestorovski, Art Director

Nursery Management

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Front Cover-Photo, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Ahead of the Curve

Tiana Kropko, Graphic Designer

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Nursery Management

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Print - Technical Article

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Betting on biochar

Matt McClellan, Managing Editor

Pest Management Professional

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Design - Front Cover-Illustration, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Hot Topic

Tracie Martinez, Art Director and Leo Michael, Illustrator

Pest Management Professional

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Design - Front Cover-Illustration, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Cutting-Edge Chemistry

Tracie Martinez, Art Director

Pest Management Professional

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Design - Front Cover-Photo, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Women in Pest Management

Tracie Martinez, Art Director

Pest Management Professional

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Design - Front Cover-Special Issue or Supplement

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: 2019 State of the Industry

Tracie Martinez, Art Director

Pest Management Professional

North Coast Media, LLC

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Illustration, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Mosquito Management Survey

Tracie Martinez, Art Director and Courtney Townsend, Graphic Designer

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Pest Management Professional
North Coast Media, LLC
Category: Print - Regular Column, Staff Written
Award Level: Regional Bronze Award
Title of Entry: A Look Back
Heather Gooch, Editor

Pest Management Professional
North Coast Media, LLC
Category: Print - How-To Article
Award Level: Regional Silver Award
Title of Entry: Success for the Ages: How to market professional pest control to different generations
Cindy Mannes, Contributor; Mandi Harris, Contributor and Susan Hare, Contributor

Pest Management Professional
North Coast Media, LLC
Category: Print - Impact/Investigative
Award Level: Regional Silver Award
Title of Entry: Illegal Pesticides Crackdown
Marty Whitford, Editorial Director; Heather Gooch, Editor and Diane Sofranec, Managing Editor

Pest Management Professional
North Coast Media, LLC
Category: Print - Special Supplement
Award Level: Regional Silver Award
Title of Entry: 2019 State of the Industry
Marty Whitford, Editorial Director; Heather Gooch, Editor and Diane Sofranec, Managing Editor

Pit & Quarry
North Coast Media, LLC
Category: Online - Social Media Presence
Award Level: Regional Gold Award
Title of Entry: Pit & Quarry Social Media Strategy
Allison Barwacz, Senior Digital Media Content Producer; Kevin Yanik, Editor-in-Chief; Zach Mentz, Managing Editor and Joe McCarthy, Associate Editor

Pit & Quarry
North Coast Media, LLC
Category: Print - Special Section, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue
Award Level: Regional Bronze Award
Title of Entry: Pit & Quarry State of the Industry Report
Kevin Yanik, Editor in Chief; Allison Barwacz, Senior Digital Media Content Producer; Zach Mentz, Managing Editor; Joe McCarthy, Associate Editor and Kim Traum, Art Director

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Plastics News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: All Content - Trade Show/Conference Coverage

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Plastics News Daily Reports from NPE2018

Plastics News Staff

Plastics News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Design - Infographics

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Plastics News infographics

Jessica Jordan, Art Director and Hollee Keller, Editorial Research Coordinator

Plastics News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Online - Webcast Series

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Plastics News Now

Jeremy Carroll, Assistant Managing Editor; Audrey LaForest, Staff Reporter and Rhoda Miel, News Editor

Plastics News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Print - News Analysis

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: G7 plastics charter aims to remake single-use plastics

Steve Toloken, News Editor-International

Plastics News

Crain Communications Inc.

Category: Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Plastics News July 30, 2018, special report on straw bans

Steve Toloken, News Editor-International; Jim Johnson and Catherine Kavanaugh, Staff Reporters

Produce Grower

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: All Content - Company Profile, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Growing 'up' with cucumbers

Patrick Williams, Associate Editor

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Produce Grower

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: All Content - Trade Show/Conference Coverage

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Atlanta's investment in agriculture

Chris Manning, Assistant Editor

Produce Grower

GIE Media, Inc.

Category: Design - Front Cover-Illustration, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Produce Grower's State of the Industry Report 2018

Allison Krieg, Graphic Designer

Properties Magazine

Properties Magazine, Inc.

Category: Print - Case History

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: GBX Group Headquarters

Kenneth C. Krych, Editor In Chief and Mark Watt, Managing Editor

Solar Builder

Benjamin Media Inc.

Category: Online - E-Newsletter - General Excellence

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Attack the Tariff

Erica R. McClurkin, Web & Audience Engagement Manager and Chris Crowell, Managing Editor

Solar Builder

Benjamin Media Inc.

Category: Print - Impact/Investigative

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Shadow Costs: How outdated local processes stifle the true solar market

Chris Crowell, Managing Editor

Solar Power World

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Online - Podcast

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Solar Speaks: SPW editors assist on 2.5-kW installation in California

Kelsey Misbrener, Senior Editor

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Solar Power World

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Print - Feature Article - General Interest, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: It's time to plan for solar panel recycling in the United States

Kelly Pickerel, Editor in Chief

TechRepublic

CBS Interactive

Category: Online - E-Book

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: The NHS and technology: How innovation is revolutionizing healthcare

Steve Ranger, UK Editor-in-Chief; Jo Best, Freelance Writer; Mark Samuels, Freelance Business

Journalist and Jody Gilbert, Senior Features Editor

TechRepublic

CBS Interactive

Category: Online - Web Feature Series

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Midterm elections 2018: How 7 states are fighting cybersecurity threats from Russia and other attackers

Alison DeNisco Rayome, Senior Editor; Macy Bayern, Associate Staff Writer and Jody Gilbert, Senior Features Editor

TechRepublic

CBS Interactive

Category: Online - Web Feature Article

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Can Russian hackers be stopped? Here's why it might take 20 years

Steve Ranger, UK Editor-in-Chief

TechRepublic

CBS Interactive

Category: Online - Impact/Investigative

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Smart farming: How IoT, robotics, and AI are tackling one of the biggest problems of the century

Charles McLellan, Reviews Editor

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TechRepublic

CBS Interactive

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: The Future of Food

Natalie Gagliardi, Staff Writer; Charles McLellan, Reviews Editor; Teena Maddox, Senior Writer; Alison DeNisco Rayome, Senior Editor; James Sanders, Tech Writer and Derek Poore, Multiplatform Producer

Windpower Engineering & Development

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread-Photo, Less Than \$3 Million Revenue

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Ports trying to keep pace with offshore wind development

Allison Washko, Graphic Designer

Windpower Engineering & Development

WTWH Media, LLC.

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread Typographic

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: The cold, hard truth about ice on turbine blades

Allison Washko, Graphic Designer