

2021 Azbee Awards of Excellence Heartland Regional Award Winners (Alphabetical by publication name)

Aerospace Manufacturing and Design (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: Design - Infographics

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Aerospace augmented reality and virtual reality survey

Tiana Kropko, Graphic Designer

Automotive News (Crain Communications)

Category: Online - Video - News

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: 2020 NADA Show

Jennifer Vuong, Anchor and Producer; Angelina Czarnecki, Reporter; Tom Worobec, Anchor and Editor; and Dave Versical, Chief of Editorial Operations

Category: Print - Regular Department

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: F&I Department

Jackie Charniga, F&I Reporter and Dan Shine, F&I Editor

Category: Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: From Vehicles to Ventilators

Hannah Lutz, Reporter; Michael Martinez, Reporter; and Nick Bunkley, News Editor

Cannabis Dispensary (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread - Illustration

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Is Cannabis Ready for Blockchain?

Justin Armbrurger, Art Director

Club + Resort Business (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: Design - Feature Article Design, 10 or More Issues per Year

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Starting Them Young

Erin Canetta, Creative Director

Club + Resort Chef (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: Online - Podcast

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Winged Foot GC's Executive Chef Shares His Strategy for Serving Players During the U.S. Open

Joanna DeChellis, Editor

Category: Print - Special Supplement

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Club + Resort Chef Releases First Annual Club Chef Cookbook

Joanna DeChellis, Editor

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Compact Equipment (Benjamin Media Inc.)

Category: All Content - News Analysis

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: COVID-19 Preparedness for Construction Pros
Keith Gribbins, Publisher

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread - Photo

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Room to Roam
Sarah Haughawout, Graphic Designer

Category: Online - Video - Tutorial

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Machines Heads: Let's Break Cat's Entry-Level Smartphone
Keith Gribbins, Publisher

Craft Brewing Business (CBB Media Inc.)

Category: All Content - Impact/Investigative

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Sober up: The Michigan hop industry won't survive without your help
Keith Gribbins, Editor

CStore Decisions (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: All Content - Company Profile

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Foxtrot Unveils National Growth Strategy
Erin Del Conte, Executive Editor

Category: Print - Feature Article, 10 or More Issues per Year

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: C-Stores Navigate Uncertain Economic Landscape
Erin Del Conte, Executive Editor

Design World (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: All Content - Editor's Letter

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Insights
Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director

Fleet Equipment (Babcox Media)

Category: Design - Online Feature Article Design

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Where you see DTNA's renewed vocational focus in the Western Star 49X
Tammy House, Senior Art Director and Jason Morgan, Editor

Category: Online - Video - Tutorial

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: This isn't your grandfather's truck wheel end maintenance
David Sickels, Associate Editor

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Fluid Power World (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread - Photo
Award Level: Regional Silver Award
Title of Entry: Hydraulics harnesses offshore wind
Mariel Evans, Graphic Designer

Garden Center magazine (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: All Content - Case History
Award Level: Regional Gold Award
Title of Entry: Craft beer, craft plants
Matt McClellan, Managing Editor

Category: All Content - Editor's Letter
Award Level: Regional Silver Award
Title of Entry: No negativity
Kate Spirgen, Editor

Category: Design - Infographics
Award Level: Regional Gold Award
Title of Entry: Infographics
Stephanie Antal, Art Director

Category: Print - Single Topic Coverage by a Team
Award Level: Regional Bronze Award
Title of Entry: Top 100 Independent Garden Centers
Kate Spirgen, Editor; Matt McClellan, Managing Editor; Julianne Mobilian, Associate Editor; and Sierra Allen, Assistant Editor

Category: Print - Special Section
Award Level: Regional Gold Award
Title of Entry: Spring Survival Guide
Kate Spirgen, Editor; Stephanie Antal, Art Director; Matt McClellan, Managing Editor; Julianne Mobilian, Associate Editor; Sierra Allen, Assistant Editor; Jolene Hansen and Robin Roenker, Writers

Golfdom (North Coast Media, LLC)

Category: Design - Front Cover - Photo
Award Level: Regional Bronze Award
Title of Entry: Golf in a Pandemic
Pete Seltzer, Art Director

Category: Design - Front Cover - Photo
Award Level: Regional Gold Award
Title of Entry: Carl's Back!
Pete Seltzer, Art Director and Tim Klein, Photographer

GPS World magazine (North Coast Media, LLC)

Category: Online - Best Social Media Campaign
Award Level: Regional Silver Award
Title of Entry: GPS World COVID-19 Social Media Campaign
Allison Kral, Senior Digital Media Manager

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Greenhouse Management magazine (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: All Content - Case History

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Online exclusive

Kate Spirgen, Editor

Category: All Content - Original Research

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: On the up & up

Kate Spirgen, Editor and Allison Krieg, Art Director

Hotel News Now (CoStar Group)

Category: Online - Online Breaking News Coverage

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Travelodge UK's Restructuring

Terence Baker, Senior Reporter, Europe

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Diversity in the Hotel Industry

Danielle Hess, Senior Reporter; Hotel News Now Editorial Staff

Category: Online - Web Feature Series

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Setting the Standards

Hotel News Now Editorial Staff

Lawn & Landscape (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: All Content - Original Research

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: The Landscaper Census

Brian Horn, Editor; Justin Armburger, Art Director; Jimmy Miller, Associate Editor; and Lauren Rathmell, Associate Editor

Medical Design & Outsourcing (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: Design - Front Cover - Photo Illustration

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: COVID-19 is Here: Medtech May Never Be the Same

Matthew Claney, Art Director

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread - Photo Illustration

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: 20 Medical Device Startups You Need to Know

Matthew Claney, Art Director

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MOTOR Magazine (Hearst Publishing, Inc.)

Category: Print - How-To Article

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Battery Service Best Practices

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

Category: Print - Regular Department

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Trouble Shooter

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

Nursery Management (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: All Content - Individual Profile

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: A winning playbook

Kelli Rodda, Editor

Category: Design - Feature Article Design, 10 or More Issues per Year

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Bend, Don't Break

Tiana Kropko, Graphic Designer

Category: Print - Special Section

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: State of the Industry 2020

Kelli Rodda, Editor; Matt McClellan, Managing Editor; Sierra Allen, Assistant Editor; Julianne Mobilian, Associate Editor; and Tiana Kropko, Graphic Designer

Pest Management Professional (North Coast Media, LLC)

Category: Design - Front Cover - Illustration

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Are you ready for the business?

Kevin Stoltman, NCM President; Marty Whitford, Editorial Director/Publisher; Mike Right, Contributor; and Tracie Martinez, Art Director

Category: Design - Front Cover - Special Issue or Supplement

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: German Cockroach Supplement Cover

Tracie Martinez, Art Director

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage by a Team

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: PMP reports on pest control as an essential service

Danielle Pesta, Digital Editor; Heather Gooch, Editor; and Diane Sofranec, Senior Editor

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Pest Management Professional (North Coast Media, LLC) (continued)

Category: Print - Feature Series

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Pandemic series

Marty Whitford, Editorial Director/Publisher; Heather Gooch, Editor; Diane Sofranec, Senior Editor; Danielle Pesta, Digital Editor; Tracie Martinez, Art Director; and Courtney Townsend, Graphic Designer

Category: Print - Special Supplement

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: 2021 State of the Industry Report

Marty Whitford, Editorial Director/Publisher; Heather Gooch, Editor; Diane Sofranec, Senior Editor; Tracie Martinez, Art Director; and Courtney Townsend, Graphic Designer

R&D World (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread - Illustration

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Addressing the fast-changing challenges of cybersecurity

Mariel Evans, Graphic Designer

Category: Online - Podcast

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: R&D 100 – The Podcast

Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director; Aimee Kalnoskas, Senior Editor; and Bradley Voyten, Video Manager

Category: Print - Special Section

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: 2020 Global R&D Funding Forecast

Tim Studt, Contributing Editor; Lee Teschler, Executive Editor; Mariel Evans, Graphic Designer; Heather Hall, Associate Editor; and Paul J. Heney, VP, Editorial Director

Seaside Retailer (Breakwall Publishing)

Category: Design - Magazine/Newspaper Design

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Seaside Retailer

Karen Carr, Publisher and Creative Director

Solar Builder (Benjamin Media Inc.)

Category: Design - Magazine/Newspaper Redesign

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Solar Builder Revamp

Chris Crowell, Editor and Sarah Haughawout, Art Director

Solar Power World (WTWH Media, LLC)

Category: Online - Video - News

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Power Play: Solar Representation in Video Games

Billy Ludt, Associate Editor and Brad Voyten, Videographer Manager

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TechRepublic (Red Ventures)

Category: All Content - Regular Column, Contributed

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Could Microsoft be en route to dumping Windows in favor of Linux? / Cybersecurity best practices: An open letter to end users
Jack Wallen, Contributing Writer

Category: All Content - Technical Article

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Zoom: A cheat sheet about the video conferencing solution
Brandon Vigliarolo, Contributing Writer

Category: Online - Photo Gallery/Slide Show

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Photos: The 73 coolest virtual backgrounds to use in Zoom meetings
Teena Maddox, Associate Managing Editor

Category: Online - Video - News

Award Level: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Ransomware attack: Why a small business paid the \$150,000 ransom
Karen Roby, Reporter

Category: Online - Web Feature Article

Award Level: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: The Internet of Wild Things: Technology and the battle against biodiversity loss and climate change
Charles McLellan, Reviews Editor

Category: Online - Web How-To Article

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: How to turn on virtual backgrounds in Zoom
Brandon Vigliarolo, Contributing Writer

Today's Medical Developments (GIE Media, Inc.)

Category: Design - Infographics

Award Level: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Infographics
Stephanie Antal, Art Director