

2026 Azbee Awards of Excellence Northeast Region Award Winners (Alphabetical by publication name)

AdExchanger (Access Intelligence)

Category: All Content - Enterprise News Story

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Confronting Big Tech With Unflinching Accountability Journalism
James Hercher, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - Feature Series

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Inside The Google Ad Tech Trial That Could Reshape The Open Internet
Allison Schiff, Managing Editor; James Hercher, Senior Editor; Anthony Vargas, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - News Analysis

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: AdExchanger's Newsroom In Action: From Tip To Headline
James Hercher, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - Q&A

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Seriously Funny Journalism
Joanna Gerber, Associate Editor

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage, *Industry*

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Inside The Trade Desk's First Real Stress Test
Anthony Vargas, Senior Editor; James Hercher, Senior Editor; Allison Schiff, Managing Editor; Sarah Sluis, Editorial Director; Andrew Byrd, News Editor (AdMonsters)

Category: Online - Podcast

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Turning AI Hype Into Real-World Answers For Advertisers
Allison Schiff, Managing Editor

American Banker (Arizent)

Category: All Content - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Minority banks fear consequences of Trump's DEI rollback
Allissa Kline, Reporter

Category: All Content - Government Coverage

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Banking regulatory coverage
Ebrima Sanneh, Reporter; Claire Williams, Reporter; Nathan Place, Reporter; John Heltman, Washington Bureau Chief

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American Banker (Arizent)

Category: All Content - Technical Article

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: How quantum computers work, and how banks can use them
Carter Pape, Reporter

Category: Online - Breaking News Coverage

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Will the Trump administration shut down the Consumer Financial
Protection Bureau?
Kate Berry, Reporter

Auto Finance News (Royal Media Group)

Category: All Content - Innovation Article

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Auto lenders transform customer experience with agentic AI
Amanda Harris, Editor; Ash Savage, Associate Editor

Category: Online - Breaking News Coverage

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: The collapse of Tricolor Auto Acceptance
Amanda Harris, Editor; Truth Headlam, Sr. Associate Editor; Aidan Bush, Associate Editor

Bar & Restaurant News (Questex, LLC)

Category: All Content - Feature Article, *Industry*

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: "Pride Month and the Hospitality Industry: Experts Say Listen, Collaborate,
and Be Authentic" by Aaron Kiel, Questex's Bar & Restaurant News
Aaron Kiel, Contributing Writer/Reporter, Questex's Bar & Restaurant News; Ashley Bray,
Executive Editor, Questex's Hospitality Group

Category: All Content - Impact/Investigative

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: "Immigrants Play a Huge Role in Restaurants and Hospitality; Here's Why It
Matters" by Aaron Kiel, Questex's Bar & Restaurant News
Aaron Kiel, Contributing Writer/Reporter, Questex's Bar & Restaurant News; Ashley Bray,
Executive Editor, Questex's Hospitality Group

Bisnow (The Wicks Group)

Category: All Content - Group or Company Profile

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Why A Service Culture Makes All The Difference In Multifamily
John Krukowski, Deputy Editor, Studio B Julia Troy, Director and Editor, Studio B

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Engineering News-Record (ENR) (BNP Media)

Category: All Content - Sustainability Article

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: How the Construction Industry Is Contending With Climate Change
Corinne Grinapol, Assistant Editor; Johanna Knapschaefer, Correspondent

Category: All Content - Technical Article

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Reporting on a Technical "Landslide" Victory in the Alaskan Wild
Aileen Cho, Deputy Editor, Infrastructure; Scott Hilling, Senior Art Director

Category: Design - Best Original Photo Illustration

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Creative Economics

Scott Hilling, Senior Art Director, Engineering News-Record

Category: Online - Video Series

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Behind the Frontlines With Construction Industry's Response to Historic L.A. Wildfires

Scott Blair, Editor-in-Chief; Drew Lockwood, Video Production Manager

Fierce Healthcare (Questex, LLC)

Category: All Content - Enterprise News Story

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: We can't do this alone': Hospitals share lessons from Hurricane Helene to prepare for extreme weather events

Anastassia Gliadkovskaya, Senior Writer

Category: All Content - Group or Company Profile

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Alice L. Walton School of Medicine, focused on whole health, opens its doors in Arkansas

Anastassia Gliadkovskaya, Senior Writer

Category: All Content - Impact/Investigative

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: A new wave of middlemen offers 'alternative funding' for specialty drugs. Patients bear the risks

Anastassia Gliadkovskaya, Senior Writer

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Fierce Network (Questex, LLC)

Category: All Content - Industry News Coverage

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Fierce Network: Breaking News, Expert Analysis, and Industry Intelligence
Masha Abarinova, Staff Reporter; Diana Goovaerts, Executive Editor; Dan Jones, Senior Reporter, Wireless

Fierce Pharma (Questex, LLC)

Category: All Content - Individual Profile

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: The architect of applied hope
Ayla Ellison, Editor-in-Chief, Fierce Healthcare & Life Sciences

Financial Planning (Arizent)

Category: All Content - Feature Series

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Starting an RIA
Tobias Salinger, Chief Correspondent

Category: Design - Data Visualization

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Wealth management data visualizations
Elijah Nicholson-Messmer, Data Reporter

IEEE Spectrum (IEEE)

Category: All Content - Data Journalism

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Patent Power
Kohava Mendelsohn, Community Manager; Gwendolyn Rak, Assistant Editor; Erik Vrielink, Digital Product Designer

Category: All Content - Feature Article, *Association*

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Vera Rubin Observatory
Evan Ackerman, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - Impact/Investigative

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: The Fundamental Flaw in EV Charging
Wally Rippel, Contributing Author; Alan Cocconi, Contributing Author; Charles Murray, Contributing Author

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IEEE Spectrum (IEEE)

Category: All Content - Industry News Coverage

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Sam Moore on the Semiconductor Industry Under the Trump Administration
Samuel K. Moore, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - Technical Article

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: The Quest to Sequence the Genomes of Everything
Glenn Zorpette, Senior Editor; Luigi Avantaggiato, Contributing Photographer

Category: Design - Best Design for a Single Issue

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: The Scale Issue
Mark Montgomery, Creative Director; Brandon Palacio, Art Director; Randi Klett, Photography Director; Sylvana Meneses, Print Prod. Specialist; Nicole Millman, Photo Editor; Carl De Torres, Illustrator

Category: Design - Print Article Design

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Coverage of Dairy Robots
Brandon Palacio, Art Director; Evan Ackerman, Senior Editor; Chris Philpot, Contributing Illustrator

Category: Design - Print Article Design

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Hyundai's Metaplant
Brandon Palacio, Art Director; Randi Klett, Photography Director; Christopher Payne, Contributing Photographer

Category: Design - Web Article Design

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: How the Rubin Observatory Will Reinvent Astronomy
Erico Guizzo, Digital Innovation Director; IEEE Spectrum Art Department

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage, *Association*

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Coverage of Rare Earths and Magnets
Glenn Zorpette, Senior Editor; Flemming Getreuer Christiansen, Contributing Journalist

Category: Print - Special Issue or Supplement

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: The Scale Issue
Eliza Strickland, Senior Editor; IEEE Spectrum Staff

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In Vivo (Citeline)

Category: All Content - Individual Profile

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Aviv Regev: The Computational Biologist Remaking Drug Discovery at Genentech

David Wild, Senior Reporter

Category: All Content - Innovation Article

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Digital Twins Grow Up but Adoption Hurdles Remain

David Wild, Senior Reporter

Infectious Disease Special Edition (McMahon Group)

Category: Design - Front Cover Design

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: How Close Is H5N1 to Reaching the Goal?

Matt White, Art Director

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread Design

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Possible Threats from the Defrosting Permafrost

Matt White, Art Director

Mechanical Engineering (American Society of Mechanical Engineers)

Category: Online - Best Conversion from Print to Web

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Mechanical Engineering's digital transition

Louise Poirier, Managing Editor; Cathy Cecere, Membership Program Content Manager; Sarah Alburakeh, Strategic Content Editor; Jeffrey Winters, Former Editor in Chief

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage, *Association*

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Mechanical Engineering's Career Center

Cathy Cecere, Membership Content Program Manager

Medscape InDiscussion (WebMD/Medscape TV)

Category: Online - Podcast

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Type 2 Diabetes S3 Ep5: Choosing Which Agents to Use in the Management of CKD in Type 2 Diabetes Patients: SGLT2 Inhibitors vs GLP-1s

Executive Editor and Producer: Casey Ann Hickey, LMSW; Host: Carol H. Wysham, MD; Guest: Liana K. Billings, MD, MMSc

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New Perspectives (Association of Healthcare Internal Auditors)

Category: All Content - How-To Article

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Behavioral Health Billing Compliance

Sonda J. Kunzi, CPC, COC, CPB, CRC, CPCO, CPMA, CPPM, CPC-I, Author; Jen Conley, Editor in Chief; Leslie Shivers, Editor; Steve Dunn, Design and Graphics

Pensions & Investments (Crain Communications)

Category: All Content - Government Coverage

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Pensions & Investments Regulatory Coverage

Brian Croce, Washington Bureau Chief; Courtney Degen, Washington Reporter

Rare Disease Advisor (Haymarket Media)

Category: Online - Event Coverage

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: 2025 Muscular Dystrophy Association Conference Coverage

Larry Luxner, Senior Correspondent; Brian Murphy, Science Writer; Riya Ajmera, Associate Editor; Stephan Cho, Digital Content Editor; Terri Airov, Editorial Director; Michael Nace, Brand Director

S&P Global (S&P Global Inc.)

Category: All Content - Original Research Article

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: AI's global resource race: Challenges and opportunities

Kelly Morgan, Research Director, Data Infrastructure & Managed Services; Brian Partridge, Head of Research, S&P Global Market Intelligence

S&P Global Market Intelligence (S&P Global Inc.)

Category: All Content - Data Journalism

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Sports team deals break records amid soaring valuations, private equity interest

Iuri Struta, Editor

Category: All Content - News Analysis

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: High unemployment for younger, Black workers may decide Fed's next rate move

Brian Scheid, Senior Reporter

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage, *Industry*

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Trump tariffs forge new reality for markets, buyers

Brian Scheid, Senior Reporter; Nick Lazzaro, Reporter

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S&P Global Ratings (S&P Global Inc.)

Category: All Content - Innovation Article

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: AI and banking: Leaders will soon pull away from the pack

Editors and contributors: Paul Whitfield and Cat VanVliet; Authors: Miriam Fernández and Nicolas Charnay

Category: All Content - Thought Leadership

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Nature Loss: A Potential Constraint To Economic Growth

Editor: Bernadette Stroeder; Authors: Marion Amiot, Economic Research; Alexander Wollenweber, Economic Research; Victor Laudisio, Sustainability Research; Designers: Jack Karonika and Jonathan Lalgee

Scrip (Citrine)

Category: All Content - Data Journalism

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: The Rise in China Deals: How International Biopharma Is Turning to China for Innovation

Joseph Haas, Senior Writer; Mary Jo Laffler, Executive Editor; Nancy Pham, Digital Manager

strategy+business (PwC)

Category: All Content - Q&A

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: e.l.f. Beauty and rhode are giving the beauty business a makeover
PwC Global Thought Leadership team

Category: Design - Email Newsletter Design

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: strategy+business newsletter
Raven Creative, Inc.

Category: Design - Web Article Design

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Food for thought

PwC Global Thought Leadership team

Category: Design - Web Article Design

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Be a better decider

PwC Global TL team; Stef Bayley, Data Visualization Editor; Nicole Esquerre-Thomas, Global Digital Content Design and Experiences Editor; Michael Reeves, Digital Content Director; Opto Design

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strategy+business (PwC)

Category: Design - Website Design

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: strategy+business

PwC Global Thought Leadership team

Category: Online - Podcast

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Could your car power your home?

Antonia Wade, Global CMO; James Morris, Global Director; Sarah von Fischer, Producer; Dan Gross, Global Director; Louise Maclean-Stephenson, Global Marketing; Suzanne Broadley, Global Marketing

Category: Online - Podcast

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Will your next sushi roll come from a laboratory?

Antonia Wade, Global CMO; James Morris, Global Director; Sarah von Fischer, Producer; Dan Gross, Global Director; Louise Maclean-Stephenson, Global Marketing; Suzanne Broadley, Global Marketing

The American Lawyer (ALM)

Category: All Content - Industry News Coverage

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Legal Industry Coverage

Christine Simmons, Senior Editor; Patrick Smith, Senior Staff Writer; Dan Roe, Reporter; Abigail Adcox, Reporter; Amanda O'Brien, Reporter

The Recorder (ALM)

Category: Online - Online Single Topic Coverage, *Industry*

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Los Angeles Wildfires Litigation

Amanda Bronstad, Reporter; Ross Todd, Editor, Litigation Daily

The Transmitter (Simons Foundation)

Category: All Content - Individual Profile

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Diving in with Nachum Ulanovsky

Claudia López Lloreda, Reporter; Brady Huggett, Features Editor

Category: All Content - Regular Column

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Perspectives / From Bench to Bot

Tim Requarth, Author; Emily Singer, Chief Opinion Editor, The Transmitter

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The Transmitter (Simons Foundation)

Category: All Content - Thought Leadership

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Without monkeys, neuroscience has no future

Cory Miller, Author; Anthony Movshon, Author; Doris Tsao, Author; Emily Singer, Chief Opinion Editor, The Transmitter

Category: All Content - Thought Leadership

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Breaking the jar: Why NeuroAI needs embodiment

Bing Wen Brunton, Author; John Tuthill, Author; Emily Singer, Chief Opinion Editor, The Transmitter

Category: Design - Best Original Illustration

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Building a climate neuroscience subfield: Q&A with Angie Michaiel

Eoin Ryan, Illustrator; Rebecca Horne, Art Director

Category: Design - Best Original Illustration

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: How basic neuroscience has paved the path to new drugs

Harol Bustos, Illustrator; Rebecca Horne, Art Director

Category: Design - Best Original Photo

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Diving in with Nachum Ulanovsky

Ronen Goldman, Photographer; Rebecca Horne, Art Director

Travel Weekly (Northstar Travel Group)

Category: All Content - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: A Chill in the Air for Pride

Johanna Jainchill, News Editor

Category: All Content - Original Research Article

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Travel Industry Survey

Jamie Biesiada, Retail; Brinley Hineman, Tours & River Cruises; Johanna Jainchill, News Editor.; Christina Jelski, Hotels; Robert Silk, Aviation; Rebecca Tobin, Managing Editor; Arnie Weissmann, EIC

Category: All Content - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Growing Inclusivity at Sea

Teri West, Senior Editor, Cruise