

2026 Azbee Awards of Excellence

Pacific Region Award Winners

(Alphabetical by publication name)

American Police Beat (911MEDIA a division of Trade News International, Inc.)

Category: Print - Special Section

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: American Police Beat- Suicide Prevention and Awareness Section
Mark Deitch, Publisher; Custom Published by 911MEDIA

California Constructor (Associated General Contractors of California)

Category: All Content - Case Study

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Transformative Affordable Housing in San Francisco Case Study
Teresa Kent, Senior Communications & Marketing Manager; Al Rickard, Publisher; Carol Eaton, Editor; Colby Waller, Designer

Category: All Content - Q&A

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: De-Stigmatizing Mental Health Q&A with Mario Noriega
Teresa Kent, Senior Communications & Marketing Manager; Al Rickard, Publisher; Carol Eaton, Editor; Colby Waller, Designer

Cell & Gene Therapy Review (CompareNetworks)

Category: Design - Front Cover Design

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: MSCs Rising
Michael Annino, Art Director

Focal Point (Tanium)

Category: All Content - Government Coverage

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Focal Point government coverage
Joseph V. Amodio, Editor-in-Chief; Anne Torpey, Senior Editor; José Delameilleure, Writer; Danny Bradbury, Writer; Bob Violino, Writer

Category: All Content - Innovation Article

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Focal Point innovation article
Danny Bradbury, Writer; Joseph V. Amodio, Editor-in-Chief; Anne Torpey, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - Overall Headline Writing

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Focal Point headlines
Joseph V. Amodio, Editor-in-Chief; Anne Torpey, Senior Editor

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Focal Point (Tanium)

Category: All Content - Regular Column

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Focal Point regular column

Joseph V. Amodio, Editor-in-Chief; Anne Torpey, Senior Editor

Category: All Content - Technical Article

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Focal Point technical article

Kristin Burnham, Writer; Joseph V. Amodio, Editor-in-Chief; Anne Torpey, Senior Editor

Category: Online - Podcast

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Tanium Podcast

Chelsea Nelson, Host; Timothy Mercer, Director, Web Content; Joseph V. Amodio, Executive Producer

LD+A (Sage Publications)

Category: Design - Front Cover Design

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: LD+A June 2025 Theme Issue – Museums and Exhibits

Craig Causer, Editor-in-Chief; Samuel Fontanez, Creative Manager

Category: Print - Single Topic Coverage

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Embracing Darkness

Craig Causer, Editor-in-Chief; Michele Zimmerman, Editor I; Samuel Fontanez, Creative Manager

Scotsman Guide (Scotsman Guide Inc)

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread Design

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Answering Machines. The next generation of chatbots could take things to another level.

Julie Murphy, Publication Production Manager; Chuck Howard, Senior Designer

Category: Design - Print Article Design

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: Clearing the SBA Hurdles

Chuck Howard, Senior Designer

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Smart Meetings (Bright Business Media LLC)

Category: Design - Opening Page/Spread Design

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Title of Entry: Gen Z Has Entered the Building
Mary King, Graphic Designer

Category: Online - Podcast

Award: Regional Gold Award

Title of Entry: Smart Start Radio—The Art of Event Rap: Turning Keynotes Into Music That Resonates
Eming Piansay, Multimedia Editor

Category: Print - State of the Industry

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: 25 Unexpected Trends
JT Long, Vice President and Content Director

Staffing Industry Analysts (Crain Communications)

Category: All Content - Original Research Article

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: How the fastest-growing firms are defying the staffing slump
Craig Johnson, Senior Editorial Director; Amy Horvat, Senior Research Analyst; Sharon Thomas, Senior Editorial Director; Claire Cook, Production Editor of Lists+Recognitions; Chelsea Emery, Exec Ed

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

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: How AI is upending the staffing industry
Craig Johnson, Sr. Ed. Director; Sharon Thomas, Sr. Ed. Director; Katherine Alvarez, Mng Ed.; Danny Romero, Associate Ed.; Claire Cook, Production Ed.; Leslie Stevens-Huffman, Special Contributor

Star News (911MEDIA a division of Trade News International, Inc.)

Category: Print - Special Issue or Supplement

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: Star News: Sheriffs' Relief Association 100th Anniversary Commemorative Tribute Book
Sheriffs Relief Association; Custom Published by 911MEDIA

Tablets & Capsules (CompareNetworks)

Category: All Content - Editor's Letter or Note

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: From the Editor
Karen Langhauser, Editor-in-Chief

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Vegas Legal Magazine (The Firm)

Category: All Content - Individual Profile

Award: Regional Bronze Award

Title of Entry: BUGSY SIEGEL High-Profile Mobster and Vegas Visionary
Don Logay, Writer

Category: All Content - Individual Profile

Award: Regional Silver Award

Title of Entry: BEAUTY & THE MOB - Geri McGee, Frank Rosenthal and Las Vegas
Don Logay, Writer