

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

## ACAMS Today (ACAMS)

**Category:** All Content - How-To Article

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Cooking quality money laundering: A recipe to aid AML professionals  
Karla Monterrosa-Yancey, Editor in Chief; Stefano Siggia, Author; Benedict Bahner, Editor

**Category:** All Content - Impact/Investigative

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Europe's dirty secret: Waste trafficking  
Karla Monterrosa-Yancey, Editor in Chief; Stefano Siggia, Author; Benedict Bahner, Editor

**Category:** All Content - Q&A

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Malaika Oringo: Empowering and supporting human-trafficking survivors  
Karla Monterrosa-Yancey, Editor in Chief

**Category:** All Content - Q&A

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Kathleen Ellertson and Laura Taylor: The art of supporting veterans  
Karla Monterrosa-Yancey, Editor in Chief

**Category:** Design - Best Original Photo Illustration

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** 💰 Smileys to 💉 Syringes: Deciphering Emojis and Slang in Illicit 🍁 Drug Sales - ACAMS Today  
Karla Monterrosa-Yancey, Editor in Chief; Victoria Racine, Designer

**Category:** Design - Front Cover Design

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** ACAMS Today, Sep-Nov 2025  
Karla Monterrosa-Yancey, Editor in Chief; Kimberly Graef, Designer

## Florida Trend (Trend Magazines)

**Category:** All Content - Enterprise News Story

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Labor Pains  
Michael Fechter, Associate Editor

**Category:** All Content - Original Research Article

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Land Lords  
Mike Vogel, South Florida Editor

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## **Florida Trend (Trend Magazines)**

**Category:** All Content - Regular Column

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Cracking the Code

Amy Keller, Executive Editor

**Category:** All Content - Sustainability Article

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** When Ice Melts

Brittney J. Miller, Associate Editor

**Category:** Design - Print Article Design

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Beneath the Surface

Gary Bernloehr, Art Director; Jason Morton, Associate Art Director

**Category:** Design - Publication Redesign

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Florida Trend Magazine Redesign

Gary Bernloehr, Art Director; Jason Morton, Associate Art Director

## **Funworld (International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions (IAAPA))**

**Category:** All Content - Group Recognition Program

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Women Who Wow: Pioneers and Powerhouses

Avery Matteo, Associate Editor; Juliana Gilling; Contributing Editor; Michelle Wandres, Layout Designer; Scott Fais, Senior Director of Global Editorial; Michael Costello, Managing Editor

## **HomeCare magazine (Cahaba Media Group)**

**Category:** All Content - Group Recognition Program

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** HomeCare Heroes 2026

Hannah Wolfson, Editor in Chief; Meg Herndon, Senior Managing Editor; Michelle Love, Associate Editor, Andi Shepard, Art Director; Jim Harmon, Associate Publisher; Kristin Carroll, Freelance Writer

## **ISE Magazine (Institute of Industrial & Systems Engineers)**

**Category:** All Content - Enterprise News Story

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** IISE volunteers serve up lunch and guidance for nonprofit

Keith Albertson, Managing Editor

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## **KNOW Atlanta Magazine (New South Publishing)**

**Category:** Design - Publication Redesign

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** KNOWAtlanta

Sherry Gasaway, Publisher; Robyn Sobelson, Managing Director; John Hanna, Vice President; Amy Meadows, Editor; Salt & True, Art Direction and Design

## **Medscape (WebMD)**

**Category:** All Content - Thought Leadership

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** I Need Your Help: Tell the FDA They Are Wrong About Estrogen  
Rachel Rubin, Sarah Steimel

**Category:** All Content - Thought Leadership

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Save the USPSTF

Kenneth Lin, Sarah Steimel

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

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Medicare at 60, the Medscape Take

Lisa Gillespie, Adam Marcus, David Olmos

**Category:** Online - Video

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Rise: Early Mobility in the Surgical ICU

Jeffrey B. Teitler, MFA; Anya Romanowski

**Category:** Online - Web Special Section

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Medicare at 60, the Medscape Take

Lisa Gillespie, Adam Marcus, David Olmos

**Category:** Online - Web Special Section

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Medscape 2050: The Future of Medicine

David Olmos, Sarah Tucker, Mike Zimmerman

## **Optometric Management (Conexiant)**

**Category:** All Content - How-To Article

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Getting Back to Gonioscopy

Jennifer Kirby, Managing Editor; Paul Juestrich, Senior Designer

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## **Problem Solved: The IISE Podcast (Institute of Industrial & Systems Engineers)**

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**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** 60 Seconds to ISE Impact: Inspiring the Next Generation of Industrial & Systems Engineers

Elizabeth Grimes, Executive Producer

## **Pumps & Systems (Cahaba Media Group)**

**Category:** Online - Podcast

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Pumps & Systems Podcast

Thom Baer, Managing Editor

## **RV PRO (Cahaba Media Group)**

**Category:** All Content - Group Recognition Program

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** 40 Under 40: RV PRO's Class of 2025

Jennifer King, Executive Editor; Jordan Benschop, Senior Managing Editor; Michele Moore, Managing Editor; Darian Armer, Javacia Harris Bowser, Rob Merwin and Ronnie Wendt, Freelance Writers

## **Site Selection magazine (Conway Data)**

**Category:** All Content - Enterprise News Story

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** Helene's Heroes

Ron Starner, Executive Vice President, Site Selection magazine

**Category:** All Content - Industry News Coverage

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** When Offbeat is On Target

Adam Bruns, Editor in Chief; Kelly Barraza, Managing Editor; Gary Daughters, Senior Editor; Alexis Elmore, Associate Editor; Negin Momtaz, Art Director

**Category:** Design - Front Cover Design

**Award:** Regional Gold Award

**Title of Entry:** Newspaper Memories

Negin Momtaz, Art Director

**Category:** Design - Print Article Design

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** State of the States 2025

Richard Nenoff, Lead Designer

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## **THE SHOP (Cahaba Media Group)**

**Category:** All Content - Feature Series

**Award:** Regional Bronze Award

**Title of Entry:** Automotive Influencers: The Supplier Connection (Part 1) and A Personality for Promotion (Part 2)

Jef White, Editor in Chief; Chris Main, Managing Editor; Elizabeth Chick, Art Director

## **The Tennessee Journal (State Affairs)**

**Category:** All Content - Government Coverage

**Award:** Regional Silver Award

**Title of Entry:** The Inside Story: A Case of Political Corruption

Alison Bethel, Chief Content Officer & Editor-in-Chief; Erik Schelzig, Managing Editor; Andy Sher, Senior Statehouse Reporter; Julia Baker, Statehouse Reporter