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SC Public Radio nominated for 12 awards from the Radio Television Digital News Association of the Carolinas

COLUMBIA, SC - South Carolina Public Radio is proud to announce the network has received 12 award nominations from the Radio Television Digital News Association of the Carolinas (RTDNAC). Winners of the 2023 RTDNAC awards competition will be announced at an awards luncheon on Nov. 11 at Charlotte Motor Speedway.

RTDNAC is a nonprofit, volunteer organization dedicated to showcasing the best broadcast journalism in North Carolina and South Carolina. RTDNAC also supports college students who aspire to a journalism career.

These annual awards honor outstanding journalism across TV, radio and digital platforms. The competition is open to all Carolina stations and individuals, and submissions are separated into four divisions— Radio, TV I (public television and radio stations with 20 or more full-time employees operating in certain markets), TV II (all other stations) and Student.

See below for the full list of SC Public Radio's 2023 RTDNAC Award finalists:

Breaking News

- *South Carolina judge sentences Alex Murdaugh to life in prison*, Victoria Hansen

Entertainment

- *Frankenstein remains a frightful favorite for more than two centuries*, Tut Underwood

Hard News Feature

- *Classical musician releases debut album in prison*, Victoria Hansen
- *Lesson from a fading mind, from a neighbor with early-onset Alzheimer's*, Scott Morgan

Light Feature

- *A nearly decade-long wait is over for Mary Ashley Barbot and the kidney she calls "Cupcake"*, Victoria Hansen

Podcast (Long)

- *InDebted: Episode 8 — The 36% Solution*, Caelan Bailey, Sean Birch, Scott Morgan, A.T. Shire

Podcast (Short)

- *InDebted: Barnwell — A love story*, Caelan Bailey, Sean Birch, Scott Morgan, A.T. Shire

Radio Reporter of the Year

- Victoria Hansen

Series

- *New report looks at isolation in South Carolina's senior population*, Scott Morgan

Social Reform

- *Partnership to restore football field of former Equalization School, sends message of community, hope*, Thelisha Eaddy
- *Upstate takes center stage in LGBTQ+ books debate*, Scott Morgan

Special Report

- *SC General Assembly begins work on new anti-abortion bill*, Russ McKinney

Reaching more than 275,000 listeners each week, SC Public Radio's network offers two formats – News/Talk and News/Music – and operates eight transmitters across the state. For more on SC Public Radio, visit www.southcarolinapublicradio.org.

A complete list of [2023 RTDNAC Award finalists](#) can be found on the RTDNAC website.

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“We are tremendously proud of our dedicated team at SC Public Radio for earning 12 nominations from RTDNAC. These nominations are a testament to our commitment to delivering exceptional journalism that connects with our diverse audience across South Carolina. We're grateful for the opportunity to tell meaningful stories that matter to our communities and are honored to be recognized by our peers in the industry.” –**SCETV President and CEO Adrienne Fairwell**

“At SC Public Radio, we are driven by our passion for storytelling and our dedication to serving our listeners with insightful reporting. These nominations from RTDNAC affirm the hard work and creativity of our talented journalists and producers. We take pride in being a trusted source of news and stories that resonate with our audience, and these nominations inspire us to continue our mission of delivering quality journalism to the Carolinas.” –**SC Public Radio Director Sean Birch**

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About South Carolina ETV and Public Radio

South Carolina ETV and Public Radio (SCETV) is the state's public educational broadcasting network. SCETV amplifies South Carolina voices, provides educational experiences and strengthens communities, while working toward creating a stronger, more connected and informed South Carolina. In addition to airing local programs, such as *Carolina Classrooms*, *Making It Grow*, and *This Week in South Carolina*, SCETV also presents multiple programs to regional and national audiences, including *By The River*, *After Action*, *Reconnecting Roots*, *Reel South*, *Somewhere South*, *Yoga in Practice* and *How She Rolls*. In addition, SC Public Radio produces the national radio production, *Chamber Music from Spoleto Festival USA*.

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