

2007 Large Market Radio Judges' Comments

Best Use of Sound

Large Market Radio

First Place

Mike Thompson

WOSU-FM, Columbus

"OSU Football Fans"

Excellent first-person narrative account of fans getting ready for the big game. The reporter did a good job of finding nice moments with editing and sound bites.

Best Use of Sound

Large Market Radio

Second Place

Sam Hendren

WOSU-FM, Columbus

"Inner City Garden"

Nice mix of sound (including off-mic) and storytelling.

Best Broadcast Writing

Large Market Radio

First Place

Scott Springer

WLW-AM, Cincinnati

Scott had judges in stitches. Clever, well-crafted, the right words in the right places.

Best Sports Broadcaster

Large Market Radio

First Place

Mike Snyder

WTAM-AM, Cleveland

Interesting sportscasts - high-energy delivery and good production.

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Best Web Site
Large Market Radio
First Place

WLW-AM, Cincinnati
www.700wlw.com

Excellent local news coverage with extensive audio and video. We especially liked the video newscast.

Best Web Site
Large Market Radio
Second Place

WTAM-AM, Cleveland
www.wtam.com

Excellent commitment to local news. Nice mix of audio and video. A very easy Web site to navigate.

Best Documentary or Series
Large Market Radio
First Place

David C. Barnett
WCPN-FM, Cleveland
"Sam Cooke: A Change Is Gonna Come"

Network quality! A joy to listen to Bravo!

Best Documentary or Series
Large Market Radio
Second Place

Amanda Rabinowitz
WKSU-FM, Cleveland
"World War II on the Homefront"

Spectacular entry in one of the most competitive categories judged. 2nd by the narrowest of margins. Superb job Amanda!

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Best Feature Reporting

Large Market Radio

First Place

Karen Kasler

Statehouse News Bureau, Ohio Public Radio, Columbus

"Combine Demolition Derby"

This feature took listener on a wild ride. Unique topic that was covered nicely. Tightly written with effective editing.

Best Feature Reporting

Large Market Radio

Second Place

Mike Thompson

WOSU-FM, Columbus

"St. Joseph Home Sale Help"

Well told. Excellent use of nat sound. The judges enjoyed it.

Best Spot News Coverage

Large Market Radio

First Place

WTAM-AM, Cleveland

"School Shooting and Train Derailment"

Solid, blew away the competition.

Extraordinary Coverage of a Scheduled Event

Large Market Radio

First Place

WLW-AM, Cincinnati

"The Loss of a Legend: Joe Nuxhall"

Entry was comprehensive, well-produced and heart-felt. Great coverage of important story.

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Best Continuing Coverage Large Market Radio *First Place*

**Mhari Saito
WCPN-FM, Cleveland
"Mortgage Meltdown"**

WCPN was out in front on this important issue. Excellent use of sound, putting a human face on the story.

Best Continuing Coverage Large Market Radio *Second Place*

**Greg Saber
WTAM-AM, Cleveland
"The Search for Jessie Davis"**

Compelling!

Best Enterprise Reporting Large Market Radio *First Place*

**Bill Cohen
Ohio Public Radio, Columbus
"Strip Club Petition Drive Is Confusing, Misleading"**

Exposes confusion over issue that is important to community.

Best Enterprise Reporting Large Market Radio *Second Place*

**Karen Schaefer
WKSU-FM, Cleveland
"Asian Businesses Respond"**

Innovative, ahead of the gate, taking the story deeper than most.

2007 Large Market Radio Judges' Comments

Best Anchor
Large Market Radio
First Place

Vivian Goodman
WKSU-FM, Cleveland

Clear and clean delivery, easy to follow.

Best Anchor
Large Market Radio
Second Place

Eric Wellman
WCPN-FM, Cleveland

Solid, conversational delivery.

Best Reporter
Large Market Radio
First Place

Amanda Rabinowitz
WKSU-FM, Cleveland

Amanda's versatility and exceptional use of ambient and natural sound separate her from the pack! Outstanding!

Best Reporter
Large Market Radio
Second Place

Ted Klopp
WTAM-AM, Cleveland

Great versatility! WTAM is lucky to have Ted on the air.

2007 Large Market Radio Judges' Comments

Best Regularly Scheduled Sports

Large Market Radio

First Place

Mike Snyder

WTAM-AM, Cleveland

Great pacing! Like music bed to keep pace. Lots of short sound bites.
Nice job!

Best Regularly Scheduled Sports

Large Market Radio

Second Place

Scott Springer

WLW-AM, Cincinnati

Solid sportscast from a clearly solid sports operation.

Best Regularly Scheduled News

Large Market Radio

First Place

Brian Combs and Andrew Setters

WLW-AM, Cincinnati

Good pace, good story county, comprehensive use of news team.

Best Regularly Scheduled News

Large Market Radio

Second Place

WTAM-AM, Cleveland

Not afraid to use a lot of sound.

2007 Large Market Radio Judges' Comments

Outstanding Sports Operation Large Market Radio *First Place*

WTAM-AM, Cleveland

Superb job bringing fans to where the action is, great energy and immediacy.

Outstanding Sports Operation Large Market Radio *Second Place*

WLW-AM, Cincinnati

Good coverage of Joe Nuxhall death.

Outstanding News Operation Large Market Radio *First Place*

WTAM-AM, Cleveland

In a highly competitive category, WTAM gets the nod. Great storytelling, great production, sharp staff. Judges enjoyed listening to WTAM's submission.

Outstanding News Operation Large Market Radio *Second Place*

M.L. Schultze and Staff WKSU-FM, Cleveland

Judges impressed by variety of issues covered and clear dedication to use of sound. An impressive staff at an obviously impressive station.