

## 2008 Large Market Radio Judges' Comments

**Best Use of Sound**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**Karen Kasler**  
**Statehouse News Bureau, Ohio Public Radio, Columbus**  
**"Food Pantry Thanksgiving"**

Compelling presentation of an interesting subject delivered with good writing and production.

**Best Use of Sound**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Jeff St. Clair**  
**WKSU-FM, Cleveland**  
**"The Songs of Insects"**

Great production and presentation.

**Best Broadcast Writing**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**Tom Borgerding**  
**WOSU-AM-FM, Columbus**  
**"Car-centric Columbus"**

No comments.

**Best Broadcast Writing**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**David C. Barnett**  
**WCPN-FM, Cleveland**  
**"Towns on the Edge, Part One"**

No comments.

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**Best Sports Broadcaster**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**Mike Snyder**  
**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

High energy. Very listenable. Mike delivers in a comfortable style!

**Best Web Site**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**News Team**  
**WLW-AM, Cincinnati**  
**700wlw.com**

Highly local and easy to navigate.

**Best Web Site**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Newsradio WTAM 1100**  
**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**  
**WTAM.com**

Overall professional look.

**Best Documentary or Series**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**Bill Cohen**  
**Statehouse News Bureau, Ohio Public Radio, Columbus**  
**"Should Ohio Bet on a Casino?"**

Very well researched and very good use of soundbites. The reporter provides both sides of the story in great detail. The writing is extremely clear.

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**Best Documentary or Series**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Christina Morgan**  
**WOSU-AM-FM, Columbus**  
**"Faces of the Recession"**

Engaging and easy to understand. Story is significant and meaningful.  
Soundbites are extremely effective.

**Best Feature Reporting**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**David C. Barnett and Gretchen Cuda**  
**WCPN-FM, Cleveland**  
**"Prostate Chronicles"**

Compelling and informative. Excellent use of sound.

**Best Feature Reporting**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Karen Schaefer**  
**WKSU-FM, Cleveland**  
**"Repo Bus Tour"**

Great sound, nicely crafted piece.

**Best Spot News Coverage**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**News Team**  
**WLW-AM, Cincinnati**  
**"Family of Five Murdered"**

Demonstrates scope of breaking coverage and includes riveting sound.

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### **Best Spot News Coverage**

**Large Market Radio**

***Second Place***

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**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

**"Death of Stephanie Tubbs Jones"**

Demonstrates unfolding coverage in a breaking situation.

### **Extraordinary Coverage of a Scheduled Event**

**Large Market Radio**

***First Place***

**News Team**

**WLW-AM, Cincinnati**

**"2008 Presidential Election"**

Demonstrates depth and scope of coverage and excellent production values.

### **Extraordinary Coverage of a Scheduled Event**

**Large Market Radio**

***Second Place***

**Statehouse News Bureau, Ohio Public Radio, Columbus**

**"Election '08: Ohio Picks a President"**

Use of sound very effective. Depth of coverage with multiple reporters a pleasure.

### **Best Continuing Coverage**

**Large Market Radio**

***First Place***

**News Team**

**WLW-AM, Cincinnati**

**"Blackout from Hurricane Ike"**

The extensive use of sound helps create a compelling picture of the storm's impact on the community.

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**Best Continuing Coverage**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***Second Place***

**Mhari Saito**  
**WCPN-FM, Cleveland**  
**"Foreclosure Crisis"**

No comments.

**Best Investigative Reporting**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***First Place***

**Mike Thompson and Mandie Trimble**  
**WOSU-AM-FM, Columbus**  
**"Dangerous Ponds"**

Very informative, very well researched. Writing is clear and easy to follow. The writing is creative and draws the listener in.

**Best Investigative Reporting**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***Second Place***

**M.L. Schultze**  
**WKSU-FM, Cleveland**  
**"The Scorched Earth of Evergreen"**

Well researched. The writing is clear and creative. The reporter uses valuable sound bites.

**Best Enterprise Reporting**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***First Place***

**Gretchen Cuda**  
**WCPN-FM, Cleveland**  
**"Cord Blood: A Wasted Resource Becomes Life Giving Therapy"**

Very clear reporting, good sources. Creative writing that draws the listener's attention and holds it. The story has real relevance.

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**Best Enterprise Reporting**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Amanda Rabinowitz**  
**WKSU-FM, Cleveland**  
**"YouTube Politics"**

Writing was clear. Story was informative and relevant.

**Best Anchor**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**Tom Moore**  
**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

No comments.

**Best Anchor**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Vivian Goodman**  
**WKSU-FM, Cleveland**

No comments.

**Best Reporter**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*First Place*

**Ted Klopp**  
**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

Writing is clear and creative. His style draws the listeners in and keeps their attention. His reporting is concise and very informative.

**Best Reporter**  
**Large Market Radio**  
*Second Place*

**Gretchen Cuda**  
**WCPN-FM, Cleveland**

Very well researched and style draws the listener in. Very creative and clear. Informative, easy to listen along with and understand.

## 2008 Large Market Radio Judges' Comments

**Best Regularly Scheduled Sports  
Large Market Radio  
*First Place***

**Mike Snyder  
WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

No comments.

**Best Regularly Scheduled Sports  
Large Market Radio  
*Second Place***

**Scott Springer  
WLW-AM, Cincinnati**

No comments.

**Best Regularly Scheduled News  
Large Market Radio  
*First Place***

**Brian Combs and Bill Bangert  
WLW-AM, Cincinnati**

Fast-paced, up-sounding delivery of a good collection of stories.

**Best Regularly Scheduled News  
Large Market Radio  
*Second Place***

**Newsradio WTAM 1100  
WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

No comments.

**Outstanding Sports Operation**

**Large Market Radio  
*First Place***

**WLW-AM, Cincinnati**

No comments.

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**Outstanding Sports Operation**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***Second Place***

**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

No comments.

**Outstanding News Operation**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***First Place***

**News Team**  
**WLW-AM, Cincinnati**

News team presented consistent effort. Reporting and presentation were compelling and comprehensive, fast-paced and interesting.

**Outstanding News Operation**  
**Large Market Radio**  
***Second Place***

**Newsradio WTAM 1100**  
**WTAM-AM, Cleveland**

No comments.