Better News/Media Contest
STUDENT DIVISION

PRESENTED MARCH 21, 2024
Best General News Story

UNIVERSITY
1ST
The Reflector
Samuel Hughes
New state bill blocks league
Well written and informative

2ND
The Reflector
Pamela Dankins
MS State students from Amory

3RD
The Student Printz
Abigail Troth
USM community mourns

COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1ST
The Radionian
Jaylynn Conner
Special Olympics
Reads well. Good quotes.

2ND
The Pine Burr
Leah Sterling
Celebration: 60th Anniversary

3RD
The Radionian
Jennifer Shirley
Radionian celebrates 100 years

Best Sports News Story

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Student Printz
Dima Mixon
Hall announces significant change
Very well written and explains the coaches’ thoughts well.

2ND
The Blue and White Flash
Matthew Adams
Deion Sanders

3RD
Blue and Gold Media
Charles Williams
Choctaws capitalize off big plays

Best Sports Feature Story

UNIVERSITY
1ST
The Daily Mississippian
Clay Hale
Bleacher Bandits
Easily the best entry in this category.
Courageous reporting on an easily overlooked topic.

2ND
The Daily Mississippian
Cameron Larkin
Chris Beard
Ole Miss & questionable ethics

COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1ST
The Radionian
Farrah Jordan
Discipline & Determination
Some spots are a little repetitive but I see potential for a great future in reporting.

2ND
The Radionian
Farrah Jordan
Perfecting the game

3RD
The Growl
Malley Chase Faulkner
Implications of the 23 SEC Championship

Best General Interest Column

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector
Lucy Hallmark
Mississippians deserve expansion of Medicaid
Great arguments and an excellent grasp of the issues discussed.

2ND
The Reflector
Grace Sullivan
Stop relying solely on academic advisors

3RD
The Daily Mississippian
Clay Hale, Caroline McCutchen
Ask A&C

Best Feature Story

UNIVERSITY
1ST
The Daily Mississippian
Jeridiane Ray
Meet Jennifer Williams
I enjoyed how you painted a picture of Jennifer Williams at work and told how she is motivated to do her job.

2ND
The Reflector
Samuel Hughes
I know it’s going to work out

3RD
The Blue and White Flash
Levon Campbell III
Keith Lee’s Atlanta Food Reviews

COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1ST
The Radionian
Sheridan White
A night to shine
Readers love a good feel-good story. Good use of quotes as well as accompanying photos.

2ND
The Radionian
Bryce Dupree
The ripples of war

3RD
The Radionian
Sheridan White
The Art of Surviving Alone

Best Cartoon

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector
Bryce Yzaguirre
Super Bully
Overall great cartoon

2ND
The Pine Burr
Levi Lovett
Academic Theatre

3RD
The Reflector
Luke Copley
MSU Baseball

Best General News Photo

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Student Printz
Sean Smith & Sarah Grace Meyn
Rolling Fork
These photos are professional quality & help tell the story of Rolling Fork in a profound way
2ND
The Daily Mississippian
Violet Jira
A piece of sheet metal

3RD
The Reflector
Ivy Rose Ball
Dinner Date

Best Sports Photo

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector
Brooks Surber
Water for the Wildcats
Great shot! Lighting is awesome. His face shows so much emotion. Love this!

2ND
The Reflector
Ivy Rose Ball
Running in the morning

3RD
The Reflector
Brooks Surber
Diving for the win

Best Feature Photo

UNIVERSITY
1ST
The Blue and White Flash
Monica McGhee
2023 Probate
Love the lighting, the emotion & movement. Very cool photo.

2ND
The Reflector
Landon Scheel
Proof Bakery Staff

3RD
The Reflector
Ivy Rose Ball
Old Main Music Fest

COMMUNITY COLLEGE
1ST
The Radionian
Haley Shepherd
Philosophy Club
I like how you went beyond a shoot of club members lined up but took a creative approach with Karoline Ayers, Bon Jovi, the quote from Socrates and the question mark. It makes you want to read the story.

2ND
The Radionian
Kami Carter
Carson Stanford performs

Best Advertisement

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector
Annalise Rome
Papa John's
Great ad but needs more information

2ND
The Reflector
Annalise Rome
Now Hiring

3RD
The Reflector
Annalise Rome
Visit Mississippi

Best Series or Investigative Pkg.

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector & The Daily Mississippian
Climate change in the Magnolia State
Great in-depth work that looks at the issue from all angles.

2ND
The Daily Mississippian
Hal Fox & Mary Boyte
You be the judge

3RD
The Daily Mississippian
Rising tides and temperatures

Best Editorials

UNIVERSITY
1ST
The Daily Mississippian
Justice Rose & Violet Jira
These are well-written editorials worthy to be on the opinion page of any paper in the state.

2ND
The Daily Mississippian
Sarah Meyn
Jada Martin dances to the music

3RD
The Pine Burr
Sarah Meyn

Best Design

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Daily Mississippian
Erin Foley & Libby Flanagan
Layout looks good, uses of font, color & size to grab attention. Great use of quotes.

2ND
The Student Printz
Abigail Troth

3RD
The Reflector

Best Front Page

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Daily Mississippian
Justice Rose & Violet Jira
Kudos for a job well done! Lots of stories to read that are of interest to the MSU on campus audience and quality photos to also draw readers in.

2ND
The Student Printz
Abigail Troth

3RD
The Daily Mississippian
Erin Foley

Best Graphic

ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector
Bryce Yzaguirre & Lucy Hallmark
Climate change in MS
Good job telling the story of climate change in MS with data about the state. The blue color works well and I appreciate how you included the source of information.

2ND
The Pine Burr
Emma Grace Carruth

3RD
The Student Printz
Tatayana Ross
CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS!
AND THANK YOU TO PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

Best Use of Video
ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Student Printz
Simeon Gates
Great content. Students need to know about these types of situations. Video was put together professionally and sounded good.

2ND
The Student Printz
Abigail Troth

3RD
The Radionian
Jaylynn Conner

Best Website
ALL COLLEGES
1ST
The Reflector
Joshua Britt & Kennedy Keyes
Offers much to read and the design is inviting and easy to navigate. I like the use of large photos that draw one in. Good job!

2ND
The Daily Mississippian
Savannah Shook & Avery Thomas
Bleacher Bandits

3RD
The Radionian
Ollie Hammonds
Podcasts

Best Use of Social Media
ALL COLLEGES
1st
The Reflector
Amelia Middleton
Netflix changes
Good use of Google Forms and social media platforms to dig into a topic of interest. I like how you went a step further and let graphics tell the story too.

2ND
The Daily Mississippian
Bleacher Bandits

3RD
The Radionian
Ollie Hammonds
Podcasts

General Excellence
UNIVERSITY
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The Reflector

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The Daily Mississippian

3RD
The Blue and White Flash

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