

**North Carolina College Media  
Association 2021 Statewide College  
Media Awards**

**Small Campuses (6,800 and fewer)**

**Best of Show – Newspaper**

*The Pendulum*

Elon University

*The Voice*

Fayetteville State University

*The Pine Needle*

UNC Pembroke

*The Peace Times*

William Peace University

*The Meredith Herald*

Meredith College

*The Collegiate*

Barton College

**Best of Show – Online News**

*The Falcon Forum*

Saint Augustine's University

*The Blue Banner*

UNC Asheville

*Elon News Network*

Elon University

*The Guilfordian*

Guilford College

*The Meredith Herald*

Meredith College

*The Echo*

Warren Wilson College

**Cartoon**

**1:** Emily Chebli

“Willa the Owl’s Guide to Self-care”

The Echo, Warren Wilson College

**2:** Gavin Mann

“Takeover”

The Collegian, Greensboro College

**3:** Ariel O’Quinn

“Finals Be Like”

The Collegiate, Barton College

**HM:** Graham Dugliss

“Rocky!”

The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville

**Digital Storytelling**

**1:** Courtney Weiner, Abby Gibbs, Samantha

Casamento and Amanda Gibson

“Under Their Wings”

Elon News Network, Elon University

**2:** Grace Gosinanont

“BIPOC Advocacy Week strives to create a  
safe space for minority students”

The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville

**3:** Quinn Bonney

“Warren Wilson’s Blacksmithing”

The Echo, Warren Wilson College

**HM:** Mackenzie Wilkes

“A Taxing Divide”

Elon News Network, Elon University

**HM:** Nick Chuisano, Makayla Cook and  
Tatiana Rivera

“Return to (Not Quite) “Normal” Campus”

The Peace Times, William Peace University

**Feature Writing**

**1:** Nyah Phengsitthy

“Students with physical disabilities adapt to  
Elon University’s growing campus”

The Pendulum, Elon University

**2:** Kyra O’Connor

“Explaining impostor syndrome”

The Pendulum, Elon University

**3:** Maira Vandiver

“Theatre Department kicks off theatrical  
season with ‘Smell of the Kill’”

The Guilfordian, Guilford College

**HM:** Emily Freer

“Peace theatre returns with ‘The Wolves’”  
The Peace Times, William Peace University

**HM:** Zachary C. Young

“March Honors Missing and Murdered  
Indigenous Women”  
The Pine Needle, UNC Pembroke

### **Illustration/Graphic**

**1:** Nyah Phengsitthy

“How we’ve changed in four years”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**2:** Michael Wright

“A series of unfortunate events”  
The Peace Times, William Peace University

**3:** Caroline Bunder

“Australians have ended mass killings, so  
why can’t Americans?”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**HM:** Karin Powell

“Zodiac Zone”  
The Collegian, Greensboro College

**HM:** Heather Spataro

“Costumes Should Appreciate, Not  
Appropriate Other People’s Cultures”  
The Peace Times, William Peace University

### **News Writing**

**1:** Nyah Phengsitthy

“Without a trace”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**2:** Mackenzie Wilkes

“Addressing chemicals in the Haw River”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**3:** Jacqueline Leibman

“Fayetteville State University Food Pantry  
Reopens”  
The Voice, Fayetteville State University

**HM:** Bailee Harris

“Unhoused encampment removed by city”  
The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville

**HM:** Victoria Walker and DorMiya Vance  
“Questions and Concerns Haunt Chancellor-  
Elect Allison”

The Voice, Fayetteville State University

### **Opinion Writing**

**1:** Shannon Seignious

“Did your activism help or hinder the fight  
for justice?”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**2:** Corby Brooke

“Misinformation spreads like wildfire”  
The Guilfordian, Guilford College

**3:** Alysha Camm

“Australians have ended mass killings, so  
why can’t Americans?”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**HM:** Maira Vandiver

“Dr. Seuss and the process of  
accountability”  
The Guilfordian, Guilford College

**HM:** Bailee Harris

“Tongue-tied: America must stop shaming  
Appalachians for speaking Appalachian”  
The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville

**HM:** DorMiya Vance

“I’m Not Your Trophy, Baby”  
The Voice, Fayetteville State University

### **Photography**

**1:** Luke Johnson

“Pro-choice marchers express their voices”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**2:** Quinn Bonney

“Students embrace”  
The Echo, Warren Wilson College

**3:** Clare Grant

“Elon University sophomore guard”  
The Pendulum, Elon University

**HM:** Ford Bowles

“JPEGMAFIA Celebrates Birthday”  
The Voice, Fayetteville State University

**HM:** Graham Dugliss

“Masked in shadows”  
The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville

### **Single- or Two-Page Design**

**1:** Nyah Phengsitthy and Clare Grant  
“Commencement Edition”

The Pendulum, Elon University

**2:** Ted Thomas

“Top 10 articles of the year”  
The Pendulum, Elon University  
**3:** Georges Abi-Aad  
“Traditions Resume After Year of  
Disruptions”  
The Peace Times, William Peace University  
**HM:** Anna Ervin and Caroline Hoy  
“NC Mountain State Fair returns”  
The Clarion, Brevard College  
**HM:** Dylan Inness  
“Taste the Tide”  
The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville  
**HM:** Miranda Morris  
“What is SGA?”  
The Collegian, Greensboro College  
**HM:** Andrew Thrift  
“Braves Take Down the Glenville Pioneers”  
The Pine Needle, UNC Pembroke

### **Sports Writing**

**1:** Caitlin Rundle  
“Changing the Game: Name, image and  
likeness”  
The Pendulum, Elon University  
**2:** Brady Penn  
“By the flip of a coin”  
The Clarion, Brevard College  
**3:** Jessica Brock  
“UNCA swimming standout breaks records”  
The Blue Banner, UNC Asheville  
**HM:** Jada Jenkins  
“FSU Football Player is On the Rise, Snags  
Endorsement Deal”  
The Voice, Fayetteville State University

### Large Campuses (more than 6,800)

#### **Best of Show – Newspaper**

*The Appalachian*  
Appalachian State University

*The East Carolinian*  
East Carolina University

*Niner Times*  
UNC Charlotte

*The A&T Register*  
N.C. A&T State University

*The Daily Tar Heel*  
UNC-Chapel Hill

*Technician*  
NC State University

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NC State University

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East Carolina University

*The A&T Register*  
N.C. A&T State University

#### **Cartoon**

**1:** Patrick Delaney  
“The effectiveness of wellness days”  
Technician, NC State University

**2:** Kiara Bush  
“Over the Years”  
Technician, NC State University

**3:** Pearl Knight  
“Nova and Comet – School Spirit!”  
Technician, NC State University

#### **Digital Storytelling**

**1:** Emily Broyles, Jake Markland, Jesse  
Barber and Max Correa

“Shots of history”  
The Appalachian, Appalachian State  
University

**2:** Denise Casalez, Andy McLean and Evan  
Bates

“Local concert spotlights women musicians”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

**3:** Chris Ocana

“The UNC Board of Trustees: Explained”  
The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**HM:** Tristan Tucker

“Women’s basketball takeaways: Scorching-hot 3-point shooting leading way”

Technician, NC State University

**HM:** Nakylah Carter

“The Aggie Spotlight: Rapper PL Miike x theScene”

The A&T Register, N.C. A&T State University

### **Feature Writing**

**1:** Jennifer Tran

“Faculty of color feel undervalued at UNC”  
The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**2:** Jesse Barber

“Talks and tales at Goober Peas”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

**3:** Nakylah Carter

“Connecting With Your Roots: David Robinson Chats With NCAT Students”

The A&T Register, N.C. A&T State University

**HM:** Sarah Choi

“Who is Franklin Street’s dancing man?”  
The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**HM:** Gabie Stanfield

“Brotherly love”

Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

**HM:** Sam Overton

“Spray paint and free speech: The history and nuance of the Free Expression Tunnel”

Technician, NC State University

### **Illustration/Graphic**

**1:** Efrain Arias-Medina Jr.

“Best of Boone 2021”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

**2:** Zoya Zalevskiy

“Gerrymandered jigsaw puzzle”  
Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

**3:** Isaac Naylor

“Separate and unequal”

Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

**HM:** Carson Elm-Picard

“Dawson Garcia brings his passion to UNC”  
The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**HM:** Ann Salman

“Eating Disorders”

Technician, NC State University

### **News Writing**

**1:** Praveena Somasundaram

“Suspect charged in Hedgepeth murder”  
The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**2:** Chloe Easton and George Martin

“Five pancreatic cancer deaths lead to reinspection of ECU Brewster Building”

The East Carolinian, East Carolina University

**3:** Cameron Stuart

“ClimACT joins global climate strike with board of trustee protest, campus march”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

**HM:** Brian Rosenzweig and Emily Schmidt  
“Candidate speaks on husband’s sex offender status”

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**HM:** Vasiliki Gkoulgkountina

“Student organizations hosts Third Annual ‘Slut Walk’”

Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

### **Opinion Writing**

**1:** Ben Rappaport

“We are still complicit in James Cates Jr.’s murder”

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**2:** Mariana Fabian

“Luxury housing holds no benefit for students”

Technician, NC State University

**3:** Isaac Naylor

“Pink Slip Requested”

Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

**HM:** Jackson Futch

“Airbnb in the High Country: A new form of gentrification”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

**HM:** Nakylah Carter

“Aggies in Uproar over the Lack of Parking on Campus”

The A&T Register, N.C. A&T State University

### **Photography**

**1:** Anna Hansen

“Microphone”

Technician, NC State University

**2:** Halie Miller

“American rapper Matthew Hauri asks crowd to put their hands up”

The East Carolinian, East Carolina University

**3:** Ira Wilder

“UNC offense shines in win”

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**HM:** Chris Crews

“A night to remember”

Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

**HM:** Natalie Folsom

“Students cheering at football game”

Technician, NC State University

### **Single- or Two-Page Design**

**1:** Heidi Pérez-Moreno

“Dawson Garcia brings his passion to UNC”

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**2:** Anjali Kumari

“theSCENE”

The A&T Register, N.C. A&T State University

**3:** Ann Salman

“Thursday, September 2, 2021”

Technician, NC State University

**HM:** Carson Elm-Picard

“Wednesday, September 29, 2021”

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**HM:** Sunnya Hadavi

“Alumni Spotlight: Jason Schultz”

Niner Times, UNC Charlotte

### **Sports Writing**

**1:** Silas Albright

“App State football super seniors: how the pandemic created a rare opportunity”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

**2:** Evan Rogers

“Tough breaks end UNC men’s soccer’s season against New Hampshire”

The Daily Tar Heel, UNC-Chapel Hill

**3:** Tristan Tucker

“‘Mentally tough’ Chris Ingram Primed for bounce-back season”

Technician, NC State University

**HM:** Melvin Harris

“Xavier Williams wins HBCU Tournament; Leads Aggies to Fourth Place”

The A&T Register, N.C. A&T State University

**HM:** Emily Broyles

“‘Beautiful game for a reason:’ High Country Soccer Association gives spunk to adults struggling with COVID-19 stress, sense of community”

The Appalachian, Appalachian State University

### Literary Magazine

#### **Best of Show**

*The Colton Review*

Meredith College

*Windhover*

NC State University

*Colonnades*

Elon University

*The Peel*

Appalachian State University

*Sanskrit*

UNC Charlotte

*Headwaters Creative Arts Journal*  
UNC Asheville

*Apogee*  
High Point University

### **Poetry**

**1:** James Daniels  
“Blues and Bicycles”  
Windhover, NC State University  
**2:** Laura Mooney  
“Rage as a Forest; Resilience as an  
Ecosystem”  
Windhover, NC State University  
**3:** Shelly Whitmire  
“Hapless Decoration”  
The Colton Review, Meredith College  
**HM:** Abigail Vincent  
“Sestina for My Cosmos”  
Sanskrit, UNC Charlotte  
**HM:** Kinsey Moritz  
“where I’m from”  
Windhover, NC State University

### **Fiction**

**1:** Christy Dickman  
“Bug and Postcard”  
Colonnades, Elon University  
**2:** Eliza Sanders  
“The Thing About Nothing”  
Colonnades, Elon University  
**3:** Michael Coombs  
“Family Business”  
Windhover, NC State University  
**HM:** Holly Brantley  
“Snakes”  
Windhover, NC State University  
**HM:** RJ Washington  
“Nothing Good Can Grow Here”  
Windhover, NC State University

### **Nonfiction**

**1:** Laura Braley  
“Cape Cod Story”  
Colonnades, Elon University

**2:** Olivia Parker  
“The Weight of Life”  
Colonnades, Elon University  
**3:** Ellie Fritsch  
“Fingers”  
Signet, Queens University of Charlotte  
**HM:** Angelina Morin  
“Grandpa”  
The Colton Review, Meredith College  
**HM:** Hannah Groover  
“Green Thumb, Dirty Fingernails”  
The Colton Review, Meredith College

### **Two-Page Spread**

**1:** Celeste O’Brien  
“You Are Not Alone”  
Rebel, East Carolina University  
**2:** Ashley Pratt  
“Boredom and Existence/Face Your Fears”  
Apogee, High Point University  
**3:** Hannah Schneider  
“Steeple Through the Trees/Shrinking  
Skies”  
The Colton Review, Meredith College  
**HM:** Marcus Orta and A’mera Bellamy  
“Dreamweaver”  
Cadenza, Mars Hill University  
**HM:** Trevor Laffin and Alexa Garbarino  
“Hannah Gibson, Artist”  
The Peel, Appalachian State University

### **Photography/Art**

**1:** Kimberly Cusack  
“St. Ivory”  
Rebel, East Carolina University  
**2:** Brandon Abranches  
“Catalyst”  
Cadenza, Mars Hill University  
**3:** Lyric Lee  
“Decadent to the Evil Eye”  
Rebel, East Carolina University  
**HM:** Kayla Nicholson  
“Face Your Fears”  
Apogee, High Point University  
**HM:** Amos Brady  
“Branching Out/Local Jungle”

The Lyre, Greensboro College  
**HM:** Maggie Trumpower  
“Only In Dreams”  
The Peel, Appalachian State University

### Yearbook

#### **Best of Show**

*Agromeck*  
NC State University

#### **Student Life Copy**

**1:** Pooja Kansagra  
“Ritika Shamdasani”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**2:** Mandy Stacy  
“Taking Action”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**3:** Kyra O’Connor  
“Happy Retirement, Don Grady!”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University  
**HM:** Emery Eisner  
“Queer Life on Campus”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University  
**HM:** Julia Harrison  
“Selcouth”  
Agromeck, NC State University

#### **Sports Copy**

**1:** Julia Harrison  
“Strength of the Pack”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**2:** Anne Nemeth  
“SailPack”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**3:** Kathryn Williams  
“A Year Like None Other”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University  
**HM:** Mandy Stacy  
“Wolfpack on Ice”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**HM:** Jacob Kisamore  
“Club Sports: COVID Edition”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University

### **Photography**

**1:** Willem Butler  
“Candace Rhodes”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University  
**2:** David Tracey  
“Robin Catry hits the ball”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**3:** Aditya Penumarti  
“Ava Borello hugs Bowen”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**HM:** Simeon Phillips  
“Follow the Brick Road”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University

### **Inside Spread Design**

**1:** Don Bui  
“Pressing Start on the Rest of Our Lives”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**2:** Kathryn Williams  
“Follow the Brick Road”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University  
**3:** Cameron Motsinger  
“New School and New Rules”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**HM:** Abby Saul  
“Sisterhood from a Distance”  
Agromeck, NC State University  
**HM:** Rachel Cifarelli  
“Say Their Names”  
Phi Psi Cli, Elon University