Instructions

Use this sheet to easily find the Division/Category you’d like to enter: then during the submission process, look for the number in the “Category” radio box on the BetterBNC portal.

Listings are alphabetically by division. Use the number listed on the blue Category line to easily find your desired division in the associated drop-down list.

Divisions & Category Overview

The Dateline Awards have seven divisions: each division has between 12 and 18 categories.

The Blog/Online News category does not have separate divisions: it is all-inclusive.

There are two Special Awards: the Correspondent Award and the Robert D.G. Lewis Watchdog Journalism Award. You can only submit for the Correspondent Award.

General awards

All Divisions/ Electronic (Blog/online news)
Category: ADE Blog/site
For a site supported by a journalistic/media company or a personal blog by a journalist who also publishes in legacy media or online versions of legacy media or new media.

All Divisions/ Special Awards
Category: ADC Correspondent Award
Recognizes distinguished coverage of the Washington area by a correspondent based here, whose work is published or broadcast for an audience outside the Washington, D.C., area.

While listed in the drop-down menu, the Robert D.G. Lewis Watchdog Journalism Award is selected solely by the judges at the end of the contest, and therefore is not open for submissions.

Daily Newspaper

Includes dailies published in the Washington, D.C., region five or more days a week and wire services covering local issues.

101 Non-Breaking News 109 Commentary & Criticism
102 Breaking News 112 Art/Photo Illustration
103 Features 114 Front-Page Design
104 Sports 115 Column
105 Editorial/Opinion Writing 116 Series
106 Business 117 Editorial Cartoon
107 Photojournalism 118 Beat Reporting
108 Investigative Journalism
Magazine

Covering local issues, published in the Washington, D.C., area.

137 Non-Breaking News  
139 Features  
140 Sports  
141 Editorial/Opinion Writing  
142 Business  
143 Photojournalism  
144 Investigative Journalism  
145 Commentary & Criticism  
146 Feature Photography  

147 Photography Story  
148 Art/Photo Illustration  
149 Infographic  
150 Front-Page Design  
151 Column  
152 Series  
153 Editorial Cartoon  
154 Beat Reporting

Newsletter/Trade Publication

Publications supported by subscription and/or advertising revenue and publications whose audience is specific to interest in a trade.

191 Non-Breaking News  
192 Breaking News  
193 Features  
194 Sports  
195 Editorial/Opinion Writing  
196 Business  
197 Photojournalism  
198 Investigative Journalism  
199 Commentary & Criticism  

200 Feature Photography  
201 Photography Story  
202 Art/Photo Illustration  
203 Infographic  
204 Front-Page Design  
205 Column  
206 Series  
207 Editorial Cartoon  
208 Beat Reporting

Online

Publications including “web-zines” that appear exclusively in electronic form on the Internet on a regular schedule, as well as websites operated in conjunction with print or broadcast media.

209 Non-Breaking News  
210 Breaking News  
211 Features  
212 Sports  
213 Editorial/Opinion Writing  
214 Business  
215 Photojournalism  
216 Investigative Journalism  
217 Commentary & Criticism  

218 Feature Photography  
219 Photography Story  
220 Art/Photo Illustration  
221 Infographic  
222 Column  
223 Series  
224 Editorial Cartoon  
225 Beat Reporting
Radio

Including city and suburban stations, with stories of local interest.

173 Non-Breaking News
174 Breaking News
175 Features
176 Sports
177 Editorial/Opinion

178 Business
180 Investigative Journalism
181 Commentary & Criticism
187 Column
188 Series

Television

On-air and cable channels, appealing solely to local audiences

155 Non-Breaking News
156 Breaking News
157 Features
158 Sports
159 Editorial/Opinion
160 Business
161 Photojournalism (Videography)
162 Investigative Journalism

163 Commentary & Criticism
164 Feature Photography
165 Photography Story
167 Infographic
169 Column
170 Series
171 Editorial Cartoon
172 Beat Reporting

Weekly Newspaper

Covering local issues, published fewer than five days a week in the DMV region.

119 Non-Breaking News
120 Breaking News
121 Features
122 Sports
123 Editorial/Opinion Writing
124 Business
125 Photojournalism
126 Investigative Journalism

127 Commentary & Criticism
128 Feature Photography
130 Art/Photo Illustration
132 Front-Page Design
133 Column
134 Series
136 Beat Reporting

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