## SPJ's Top of the Rockies winners 2020 Print: Circulation less than 10,000

Category Name	Award	Credits Durango Herald	Organization	Entry Title
General Website Excellence	First Place	Development Team	Durango Herald	The Durango Herald
General Website Excellence	Second Place	Staff	Farmington Daily Times	The Farmington Daily Times
General Website Excellence	Third Place	Staff	Albuquerque Business First	Albuquerque Business First website
A&E and Food: Single Story	First Place	Billy Arnold, Allie Gross	Jackson Hole News&Guide	The Metal Mentality
A&E and Food: Single Story	Second Place	Stuart Melling	Gastronomic Salt Lake City	A seemingly fishy story sushi in the desert
A&E and Food: Single Story	Third Place	Collin Krabbe	Albuquerque Business First Colorado Freedom of	Why choosing a name could make or break your brew game
Blog	First Place	Jeff Roberts	Information Coalition	Freedom of Information articles and columns Meow Wolf could become
A&E and Food: Enterprise Reporting	First Place	Staff	Albuquerque Business First	New Mexico's biggest startup story ever Just follow the directions; the insta-cooker
A&E and Food: Criticism	First Place	Carolyn Dunmire	Four Corners Free Press	revolution; responsible food-sharing
Breaking News Story	First Place	Allie Gross, Emily Mieure John C. Ensslin, Ernest Luning,	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Blaze damages Genevieve building
Breaking News Story	Second Place	Conrad Swanson, Andy Colwell	Colorado Politics	Denver Runoff 2019
Breaking News Story Sports: Columns	Third Place First Place First	John Livingston John Livingston	Durango Herald Durango Herald Durango	Hardrock 100 canceled Surviving life with Mom and the Rockies The man who killed
Features: Short form	Place	Jonathan Romeo	Herald	Colorado's last grizzly bear
Features: Short form	Second Place	John Spina	Longmont Times-Call	Bartender's liver saves child's life

Features: Short form	Third Place	Bret Hauff	Durango Herald	A woodcutter's bliss Widespread fighting at St.
Spot News Videography	First Place First	Joseph Witham	St. George News The Southern	George youth facility results in multiple injuries Back to School Round
News Videography	Place	Trennie Collins	Ute Drum	Dance Groping victim feels let
Legal: Enterprise Reporting	First Place	Emily Mieure, Allie Gross	Jackson Hole News&Guide	down by cops, prosecutors, courts Power play: Big investment
Legal: Enterprise Reporting	Second Place	Andrew Graham	Wyofile	firm escapes Blackjewel 'unscathed'
Legal: Enterprise Reporting	Third Place First	Mike Easterling	Farmington Daily Times The Southern	Lack of mental health resources a major worry 45th Annual Denver March
Feature Videography	Place	Trennie Collins Anythink Innovations , The	Ute Drum	Powwow
General Podcasting	First	Studio , Anythink		
Excellence	Place	Wright Farms	SPARK	The Kitchen Table Living Sports by John Livingston Episode 13:
General Podcasting Excellence	Second Place	John Livingston	Durango Herald	Professional soccer player Lauren Milliet The Durango Herald in your Ear by Bret Hauff and Katie Chicklinski-Cahill: Eps. 2: Aliens, ninjas and adoptions, Eps. 3: Voters, and early Christmas and wolf rescues, Eps. 4: Tiny homes, Santa v. Krampus
General Podcasting Excellence	Third Place	Bret Hauff, Katie Chicklinski-Cahill	Durango Herald	death match and teaching young'uns
Single Page Design	First Place	Andy Edwards	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Wondering if you should pet that dog?
Single Page Design	Second Place	David Buck	Durango Herald	Feature page design David Buck 2
Single Page Design	Third Place	David Buck	Durango Herald	Feature page design David Buck 4
Front Page Design	First Place	Andy Edwards	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Spark sets butte ablaze
Front Page Design	Second Place	Melissa Edwards	Colorado Springs	Co\$t of a data breach

			Business Journal	
Front Page Design	Third Place	Michael Hicks	Clear Creek Courant	A dog-gone good time
Info Graphic	First Place	Rachel Baca, Juliana Vadnais	Albuquerque Business First	So you want to see New Mexico like a visitor would
Info Graphic	Second Place	Samantha Nock	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Budget 2020

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Info Graphic	Third Place	Rachel Baca, Juliana Vadnais	Albuquerque Business First Colorado	Equality is good for your business

Marijuana General Reporting	First Place	Jeanne Davant	Springs Business Journal Colorado Springs	Want weed with that?
Mariiuana General	Second		Business	New law could end

Reporting	Place	Jeanne Davant	Journal	cannabis clubs legal limbo
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Special Section	Place	Staff	<b>Business First</b>	Legislative Preview	
		Michael Hicks,			
		Deb Hurley			
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		Westeman, Alissa Noe. Sara			
Special Section	Second Place	Hertwig, Page Hatcher	Canyon Courier	Kids who will change the world	

Special Section	Third Place	Mike Koshmrl, Andy Edwards	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Headwaters Weeding out employees: How will medical
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				marijuana legalization
Marijuana Enterprise	First		St. George	affect workplace drug
Reporting	Place	Mikayla Shoup	News	testing?

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Marijuana Enterprise	Second		Durango	
Reporting	Place	Patrick Armijo	Herald	A mission of uncertainty Opioid addiction clinic closes with short notice;
Health: General	First		St George	staff nationts scramble for

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Reporting	Place	Mikayla Shoup	News	alternatives
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Health: General	Second		Durango	Ending the cycle of ER
Reporting	Place	Mary Shinn	Herald	visits

Politics: General Reporting	First Place	Zak Podmore	Four Corners Free Press	Winning a seat at the table
Politics: General	Second		St. George	Tax Restructuring and Equalization Task Force
Reporting	Place	Ryann Richardson	News	Coverage (Series)
Politics: General	Third			2019 Wyoming legislative
Reporting	Place	Andrew Graham	Wyofile	session coverage Trustees quietly investigated Nichols before unexplained dismissal/Nichols: Any investigation was unfair,
Investigative/Enterprise	First	Andrew Graham , Seth Klamann	Myofilo	but keep it hidden either
Reporting	Place	Seth Klamann	Wyofile	way Series: Coal company's
Investigative/Enterprise	Second Place	Androw Craham	Musfile	bankruptcy ripples across
Reporting		Andrew Graham	Wyofile	Wyoming
Investigative/Enterprise Reporting	Third Place	Allie Gross, Melodie Edwards	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Injured at work, some go unaided
				Wyo politicians respond to
Politics: Enterprise	First Place	Andrew Graham	Myofilo	Blackjewel and coals black times
Reporting	Place	Andrew Granam	Wyofile	Surviving the shutdown;
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Politics: Enterprise	Second		St. George	How Zion and its park
Reporting	Second Place	Mikayla Shoup Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg,	St. George News	How Zion and its park rangers are making do
Reporting	Place	Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg, Nathan Fish,	News	rangers are making do  Donald Trump Rally
·		Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg,	_	rangers are making do
Reporting Politics: Enterprise	Place Third	Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg, Nathan Fish, Damien Willis,	News Farmington	Donald Trump Rally coverage, Rio Rancho, New
Politics: Enterprise Reporting Best Solutions	Place Third Place First	Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg, Nathan Fish, Damien Willis, Sam Ribakoff	News Farmington Daily Times Jackson Hole	Donald Trump Rally coverage, Rio Rancho, New Mexico Colorado family planning sets high standard Denver Police coresponder program Addressing the Nation: Overcoming extreme
Politics: Enterprise Reporting Best Solutions Journalism Best Solutions	Third Place First Place Second	Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg, Nathan Fish, Damien Willis, Sam Ribakoff Tom Hallberg	Farmington Daily Times Jackson Hole News&Guide Colorado	Donald Trump Rally coverage, Rio Rancho, New Mexico Colorado family planning sets high standard Denver Police coresponder program Addressing the Nation:
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Politics: Enterprise Reporting Best Solutions Journalism Best Solutions Journalism  Best Solutions Journalism  General Reporting-	Third Place First Place Second Place Third Place First	Lucas Peerman, John Moses, Algernon D'Ammassa, Hannah Grover, Josh Kellogg, Nathan Fish, Damien Willis, Sam Ribakoff  Tom Hallberg  Alayna Alvarez  Maggie McGuire Andrew Graham, Angus M.	Farmington Daily Times Jackson Hole News&Guide Colorado Politics  Moab Sun News	Donald Trump Rally coverage, Rio Rancho, New Mexico Colorado family planning sets high standard Denver Police coresponder program Addressing the Nation: Overcoming extreme challenges to voter registration in San Juan County Re-regulation: Examining Wyomings response to
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Andrew Graham, Angus M. Series or Package  First News Column  Place First Third News Column  Place First Reporting  Place Joel Priest  Joel Priest  Ute Drum  HS Sports: General Reporting  Place Alissa Noe  Canyon  Thomas makes history on the English Channel  Sports: General Reporting  Place John Livingston Reporting  Place First First Christopher Regan Foster, Bryan Grossman, Mary Jo Meade, Amy Gillentine Sweet, John Springs Sweet, John Springs Sweet, John Springs Specund Mary Jo Meade, Amy Gillentine Sweet, John Springs Spasseball?/Keep  Editorials  Place Meyerowitz  Herald Editorials  First Christopher Bryan Grossman, Mary Jo Meade, Amy Gillentine Sweet, John Springs Spasseball?/Keep  Editorials  First Christopher Bryan Grossman, Mary Jo Meade, Amy Gillentine Springs Springs Daseball?/Keep  Editorials  First Durango Robert Meyerowitz Feature Page Design Place David Holub Herald Holub 1  Second Feature Page Design Place Andy Edwards News&Guide Feature Page Design Place Andy Edwards News&Guide Service dogs	General Reporting- Series or Package	Second Place	Joey Bunch	Colorado Politics	The influencers: Lobbying at the Capitol
News Column   Place   John Hazlehurst   Journal   be this hard	, ,		Thuermer Jr. ,	Wyofile	coals shaky ground from Jim Bridger Its a citizens job to identify
News ColumnPlace ThirdErnest Luning ThirdPoliticsErnest Luning: Trail Mix Casper shooting confirms worst aspects of stand- your-ground lawSports: General ReportingPlace PlaceKerry DrakeWyofile The Southern The Southern Sangster on year one at IHSSports: General ReportingSecond PlaceCanyon CourierThomas makes history on the English ChannelSports: General 	News Column		John Hazlehurst	Springs Business	communities to be safe, boring, predictable; Branding our city shouldnt
News Column Sports: General ReportingPlace First PlaceKerry Drake First PlaceWyofile The Southern Ute Drum Canyon 	News Column	Place	Ernest Luning		Casper shooting confirms
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Reporting Place John Livingston Herald Dropping into Durango Editorials: Universities should end; Limit jobs?  Editorials Place Wood BizWest; Colorado lawmakers Regan Foster, Bryan Grossman, Mary Jo Meade, Amy Gillentine Sweet, John Springs baseball?/Keep entertainment out of Place Routon Journal politics  Editorials Place Routon Journal politics  Editorials Place Meyerowitz Herald Editorials 3  First Durango Feature page Design Place David Holub Herald Holub 1  Feature Page Design Place Andy Edwards News&Guide Targhee Fest  Third Second Place Andy Edwards News&Guide Targhee Fest  Targhee Fest	•		Alissa Noe		•
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Legal: General Reporting	First Place	Emily Mieure	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Jennifer Nalley's killer sentenced to 25 years to life
Legal: General Reporting	Second Place	Emily Mieure	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Judge allows defendant to avoid courthouse, feds Blockchain: Can Wyo woo a digital revolution? Should
Science and Technology: Enterprise Reporting	First Place	Andrew Graham	Wyofile	it?/Links drive allegation of insiders writing crypto bills Pavillion water experts
Science and Technology: Enterprise Reporting	Second Place	Angus M. Thuermer Jr.	Wyofile	fault leaky gas wells, unlined pits Can Mark Gordon save
Science and Technology: Enterprise Reporting Ag and Environment:	Third Place First	Andrew Graham	Wyofile Durango	coal (and stop climate change)?
Enterprise	Place	Jonathan Romeo	Herald	Tainted by uranium
Ag and Environment: Enterprise	Second Place	Angus M. Thuermer Jr.	Wyofile	Sage grouse populations declining across the West
Ag and Environment: Enterprise Ag and Environment: General Reporting	Third Place First Place	Jonathan Romeo Gail Binkly	Durango Herald Four Corners Free Press	A changing Mesa Verde  Move over for e-bikes
Ag and Environment: General Reporting	Second Place	Jonathan Romeo	Durango Herald	Rancher or tax scofflaw?
Ag and Environment: General Reporting	Third Place	Liz Weber	Durango Herald	Bringing back the wolf Pomp, pageantry and
Sports Photography	First Place	Andrew Graham, Mike Vanata	Wyofile	politicians at the Daddy of em all
Sports Photography	Second Place	Jerry McBride	Durango Herald	Iron Horse
Sports Photography	Third Place	Bradly J. Boner	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Corbet's Couloir
Feature Photography	First Place	Ryan Dorgan	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Elk at the Teton County Fairgrounds
Feature Photography	Second Place	Matthew Jonas	Longmont Times-Call	Sunset Stunner
Feature Photography	Third Place First	Jeremy Wade Shockley	The Southern Ute Drum St. George	Ute Tribe ushers in spring with Bear Dance
News Photography	Place	Joseph Witham	News	Trapped Coyote
News Photography	Second Place	Bradly J. Boner	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Targhee Elk Study

	Third	Jeremy Wade	The Southern	Shining light on domestic
News Photography	Place	Shockley	Ute Drum	violence
Spot News Photography	First Place	Bradly J. Boner	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Roadkill
Spot News Photography	Second Place	Ryan Dorgan	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Saddle Butte Fire
Spot News Photography	Third Place	Ryan Dorgan	Jackson Hole News&Guide	Wilson Wreck
Headline Writing	First Place	Christopher Ortiz, Collin Krabbe	Albuquerque Business First	Doughnuts, millennials and the Doyenne of Death
Headline Writing	Second Place	David Buck	Durango Herald	Trails of destruction - David Buck
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Headline Writing	Place	David Buck Bret Hauff, Mary	Durango Herald	The ketamine cure - David Buck
Public Service	First Place	Shinn, Jonathan Romeo	Durango Herald	Homeless sustained coverage Permit proposes to release
	Second	Angus M.		tainted water into Boysen,
Public Service	Place	Thuermer Jr.	Wyofile	Wind River Immigration detention
	Third			proposal prompts
Public Service	Place	Andrew Graham	Wyofile	questions, drives debate
Health: Enterprise	First		Durango	
Reporting	Place	Shannon Mullane	Herald Colorado Springs	Leaning on their peers
Health: Enterprise	Second		Business	Medicaid bottlenecks hurt
Reporting	Place	Faith Miller Dan Mika, Lucas High, Paula Aven Gladych, Doug	Journal	home health agencies
Business: Enterprise	First	Storum, Ken		Cannabis: The Next
Reporting	Place	Amundson	BizWest	Frontier
Business: Enterprise Reporting	Second Place	John Spina	Longmont Times-Call	South Main Station WHERE PAST, PRESENT MEET Once-plentiful Old West trading posts near
Business: Enterprise	Third		Farmington	Four Corners offer goods,
Reporting	Place	Mike Easterling	Daily Times	history
Sports: Enterprise Reporting	First Place	Angus M. Thuermer Jr.	Wyofile	Snowmobilers now top Wyo avalanche fatality list

Sports: Enterprise	Second		St. George	Top hurdler and dual-sport athlete, Darcy Jackson, working to take leaps over
Reporting	Place	Ryne Williams	News	lupus Why not us? How a toy unicorn embodied Dixie
Sports: Enterprise Reporting	Third Place	Ryne Williams	St. George News	volleyballs Cinderella run in 4A playoffs In coal country,
Business: General	First		60	Blackjewel's bankruptcy
Reporting	Place	Andrew Graham Ken Amundson, Paula Aven Gladych, Lucas	Wyofile	touches many
Business: General Reporting	Second Place	High, Jensen Werley	BizWest	Workforce Woes
Reporting	ridee	Werley	Colorado	Workforde Woes
			Springs	
Business: General	Third		Business	Trade war hikes prices,
Reporting	Place	Helen Robinson	Journal	squeezes businesses
Education: Enterprise	First	Ellis Associati	Centennial	A strait strain
Reporting	Place	Ellis Arnold	Citizen	A united voice Guns, schools and
Education: Enterprise	Second			Wyoming communities
Reporting	Place	Katie Klingsporn	Wyofile	divided Former Amazon exec will
Science and Technology:	First		Albuquerque	help lead ABQ startup's
General Reporting	Place	Collin Krabbe	<b>Business First</b>	national rollout
Science and Technology:	Second	Jeremy Wade	The Southern	Does electric drive the
General Reporting	Place	Shockley	Ute Drum	future?
				To fill teaching positions,
Education: General	First		Farmington	Aztec looks towards contracted teachers from
Reporting	Place	Sam Ribakoff	Daily Times	the Philippines
Education: General	Second		Golden	
Reporting	Place	Casey Van Divier	Transcript	Bus driver shortage
				Pine View Middle
				promotes mental wellness
Education: General	Third		St. George	with designated room for
Reporting	Place	Ryann Richardson	News	distressed students
Column Personal/Humor	First Place	Joey Bunch	Colorado Politics	Joey Bunch columns
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Column Personal/Humor	Second Place	Marianne Goodland	Colorado Politics	Marianne Goodland humor columns
Column Personal/ Munior		Joouland		
Column Dansens I / Liver	Third	David Faala	Four Corners	Have a GFF New Year;
Column Personal/Humor	Place	David Feela	Free Press	derelicts; fowl language

	First	Marianne	Colorado	
Feature: Long form	Place	Goodland	Politics	Pain over preservation Unable to diversify,
	Second			Legislature doubles down
Feature: Long form	Place	Andrew Graham	Wyofile	on energy
	Third		Colorado	
Feature: Long form	Place	Ernest Luning	Politics	CU's Fantastic Four
News Reporting- Single	First	Angus M.		Lawmakers quietly explore
Story	Place	Thuermer Jr.	Wyofile	storing spent nuclear fuel
News Reporting- Single	Second		Durango	
Story	Place	Bret Hauff	Herald	Iced out
				Polis recall group hands
				out \$11,000 in
News Reporting- Single	Third	Marianne	Colorado	contributions to board
Story	Place	Goodland	Politics	members, employees