

# NEWS RELEASE

## NOMINEES FOR 2021 NATIONAL STUDENT PRODUCTION AWARDS ANNOUNCED

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS & SCIENCES FOUNDATION

NEW YORK, October 18, 2021 - The Foundation of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) today announced the nominees for the 2021 National Student Production Awards. Nominees were selected from high school student entries across the country in 25 programming and craft categories.

"The future journalists, analysts, correspondents and entertainers of the next generation will be found among these talented young nominees represented here," said Adam Sharp, President & CEO, NATAS. "Highlighting their work and encouraging their pursuit of excellence is one of the primary mandates of our Foundation."

"The Foundation of The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences is thrilled to honor the incredible work of these talented students," said Danielle Mannion, Education Chair, NATAS. "The students faced extraordinary challenges and produced dynamic and compelling stories. We also wish to acknowledge the dedicated work of their teachers who supported the productions."

This year's submissions were successfully culled from over 2000 entries from the regional chapters of The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. Entries were judged by selected industry professionals and media academics.

Recipients will be announced in late November via a web stream produced by NATAS. Ceremony date will be announced in early November. This and all NATAS ceremonies are available on NATAS' dedicated viewing platform powered by Vimeo, available on the web at Watch.TheEmmys.TV and via The Emmys® apps for iOS, tvOS, Android, FireTV, Roku and Samsung TV (full list at apps.theemmys.tv).

## About NATAS

The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) is a service organization dedicated to the advancement of the arts and sciences of television and the promotion of creative leadership for artistic, educational, and technical achievements within the television industry. It recognizes excellence in television with the coveted Emmy<sup>®</sup> Awards for News & Documentary, Sports, and Daytime television programming, as well as achievements in television Technology & Engineering. NATAS membership consists of more than 18,000 broadcast and media professionals represented in 19 regional chapters across the United States Beyond awards, NATAS provides extensive educational programs through its Foundation, including regional and national scholarships and Student Production Awards.

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## <u>Newscast</u>

#### **Colegio de Belen Noticiero, Belen Jesuit Preparatory School (Suncoast Chapter)** Ricardo Blanco, Juan Tejera *John Calderin, Advisor*

#### BNN 2021, Buchanan High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter)

Gabe Munro, Rylee Gonzales, Noah Robereto, Chris Pearce, Blaise Gonda, Nate Long, Canyon Vang, Caleb Pouliot, Michael Perez, Logan Garcia Daniel Pierce, Advisor

#### The Rise, Doral Academy Preparatory (Suncoast Chapter)

Marcelo Villar-Ojito Elayne Diaz, Advisor

#### GHS Insider, Germantown High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter) Alexa Morris, Kristin Blake, Madisyn Rix, Chelbi Talley Leonid Mazor, Advisor

## Election Day Broadcast, Oviedo High School (Suncoast Chapter)

Lukas Boaz, Lillian Wray, Tyler Kreusch, Devyn Cannata, Holly Archer, Kaylin Herbet, Brianna Binona, Delaney Warner Kevin Patterson, Advisor

#### **News Report - Serious News**

#### Honoring Preston Point, Coppell High School (Lone Star Chapter) Daphne Pham, Riley Wall, Amrin Haque Irma Lazos-Kennedy, Advisor

#### LGBTQ History in the Classroom, Germantown High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter) Gilana Moody, Dunham Henderson Leonid Mazor, Advisor

## Shattered, Hillcrest High School (Mid-America Chapter)

William Wehmer, Emma Tracy Dave Davis, Advisor

**Teacher Rally, Richland Northeast High School (Southeast Chapter)** Caleb Daniels, Wade Fletcher *Andrew Chambers, Advisor* 

## Broken Promises; A Hazardous History of Franklin Learning Center, WHYY Media Lab (Mid-Atlantic Chapter)

Hannah Woodruff, Damein Williams, Justine Chan, Donte Cheatham, Lilly Lou, Josiah Martinez, Sanai Miller, Ace Ludwig, Cierra Duncan *Lisa Wilk, Advisor* 

#### **News Report - Light News**

#### From Tragedy to Hope - The Wilson Family, Cambridge High School (Southeast Chapter) Aidan Miller Hal Funderburk, Advisor

#### The Beekeeper, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter)

Christopher Gomez, Adrian Botton, Nicolas Casanueva, Andrew Falconi, Joseph Gonzalez *Omar Delgado, Christina Insua, Advisors* 

## From Delinquent to Dean, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter)

Christopher Gomez, Joseph Gonzalez, Gianmarco Maestri, Neo Gaitan, Nicolas Casanueva, Adrian Botton, Juan Pablo Garcia-Casals *Omar Delgado, Christina Insua, Advisors* 

A Living Miracle, Prosper High School (Lone Star Chapter)

Cristina Folsom Michael Hatch, Advisor

#### **REDD's Corner, Prosper High School (Lone Star Chapter)**

Camron Silva Michael Hatch, Advisor

## Multimedia Journalist (MMJ) or Video Essay

Who Am I 2020, Alpharetta High School (Southeast Chapter) Van Emberger *Tracy Misner, Advisor* 

Wrestling Under The Stars, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter) Lucas Figueroa *Omar Delgado, Christina Insua, Advisors* 

An Open Letter to the Class of 2020, Montverde Academy (Suncoast Chapter) Molly Smith Kimberly Brauman, Advisor

Unconventional Prom 2020: A Night to Remember, Northwestern High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Gabrielle Limes Lisa K. Boggess, Advisor

Voices of the Valley, Tamalpais High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Jessica Bukowski, Lily Travers, Aghalia Dorkin, Trevor Canton *Mike Goldstein, Mike Lavezzo, Sharilyn Scharf, Advisors* 

## Non-Fiction - Short Form

Cells vs. Zombies: The Role of Cellular Senescence in the Human Body, Amador Valley High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Nitya Ayyagari Mani Vemulakonda, Advisor

Land of Opportunity - Stories from Janakpur, Nepal, Anacortes High School (Northwest Chapter) Jacob Hoxie, Mason Bakke *Jim Thompson, Advisor* 

Gender Inequality, Carrollton High School (Southeast Chapter) Kathryn Grubbs Jon Maples, Advisor

Drive-In Movie Theater, Deerfield High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter) Simon Blaustein, Michael San Jose, Sam Brody-Goldberg Brett Schwartz, Advisor

Inspired Artist Jason Raymond, Gahanna Lincoln High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Sophia Peck, Brittan Alexander Mark Lowrie, Advisor

## Non-Fiction - Long Form

## Wired, Anderson High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Sarah Mahaney Chad Weddle, Advisor

#### **COVID-19: 1 Year Later, Har-Ber High School (Mid-America Chapter)** Alexej Vargas, Cameron Bolin *Travis Sherman, Advisor*

Feminism: The Fifth Wave, Montverde Academy (Suncoast Chapter) Molly Smith Kimberly Brauman, Advisor

**Gasoline, St. Edward High School (Lower Great Lakes Chapter)** Brendan McIlwee, Cody Wagner, Ryan Steckle, Joseph Hirzel, Tim Sheehan, Brevyn Coleman, Jayson Morris, Evan Wrightsman, Zachary Bell, Gavin Crocker, Jack Nagel, Jacob Winter *Lydia Munnell, Advisor* 

A Divided City - Documentary, The Westminster Schools (Southeast Chapter) Samantha Cohn, Jonas Du Daniel Searl, Advisor

## Public Affairs/Community Service

Dear Class of 2020, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter) David Perez, Alexander Someillan *Omar Delgado, Christina Insua, Advisors* 

Ronald McDonald House Charities, Fort Hayes Career Center (Ohio Valley Chapter)

Madelyn Phelps, Youssef Hilale, Stella Fried, Xzayvier Brown Anderson Julie Kindinger, Advisor

Signs of Suicide, Geneva High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

Tessa Balc Beni Enas, Advisor

Red Ribbon, Hoover High School (Lower Great Lakes Chapter) Matt Kirely Dani Wackerly, Tom Wilson, Advisors

Gillian's Story | Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Saint Xavier High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Christian Beck Brian Mitchell, Advisor

#### Arts and Entertainment/Cultural Affairs

Soles by Sir, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter) Christopher Gomez, Adrian Botton, Joseph Gonzalez, Nicolas Casanueva, Neo Gaitan, Emanuel Naccarato *Omar Delgado, Christina Insua, Advisors* 

Magicians in the Shutdown, Deerfield High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter) Jack Gordon, Simon Blaustein, Michael San Jose, Sam Brody-Goldberg Brett Schwartz, Advisor

Diaspora: Voices of an Ever-Changing America, Gahanna Lincoln High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Kierra Mullins, Azaria Jackson

Mark Lowrie, Advisor

### Quibi: Best or Worst Timing?, Prosper High School (Lone Star Chapter)

Grant Johnson Michael Hatch, Advisor

Kaleidoscope Artistry, SPOT 127 Youth Media Center (Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter) Cara Brown Rick Fowler, Advisor

#### Magazine Program

CHS Wired | Episode 6: Season 23 | 2/11/21, Cody High School (Northwest Chapter) Tashi Mathuin, Raelyn Mong *Erika Quick, Advisor* 

**Firebird TV News Magazine, Doral Academy Preparatory (Suncoast Chapter)** Marcelo Villar-Ojito *Elayne Diaz, Advisor* 

Falcon Vision: Season 1 Episode 6, John A. Ferguson Senior High School (Suncoast Chapter) Edward Franco, Jessica Balbin, Angelika Guerra, Navneet Chhabra, Alyssa Lopez, Rachel Velazco, Viamelys Salgado, Daniel Cortina Nancy Ozon-Moreno, Alberto Martinez, Advisor

Wildcat Weekly, Neuqua Valley High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter) Sam Appelbaum, Dominick Liacone, Alexis Muoghalu, Lauren Verdun Lisa Traut, Advisor

Stampede LIVE Home Edition Episode 1, Sunrise Mountain High School (Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter) Ryan Kraska, Kalini Aguon-Sewell, Lamley Andrews *Amy Nygard, Advisor* 

## Music Video

Don't Throw Out My Legos, Academy Of Arts, Careers and Technology (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Isabella Wolf Robert Zorn, Advisor

Auld Lang Syne, Christ Presbyterian Academy (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter) Sylvie Keck, Logan Reid, Christian Strom, Will Stringfield, Pierce DuRard *Michael Ellson, Advisor* 

She's the Only One, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter) Charles Fernandes Drew Furtado, Advisor

Vas a Ganar, Miami Arts Studio 6-12 @ Zelda Glazer (Suncoast Chapter) Andrea Fonseca, Daniella Lopez, George Ebro, Gabriella Gonzalez, Ximena Hidalgo *Rebecca de Armas, Advisor* 

Winter Vibes, Sunrise Mountain High School (Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter) Ryan Kraska, Kalini Aguon-Sewell *Amy Nygard, Advisor* 

## Fiction - Short Form

Snowman Massacre, Delaware Area Career Center (Ohio Valley Chapter) Hayden Reed Wil Rowland, Advisor

Incursion, El Diamante High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Noah Lillywhite, Sam Zurek, Kai Willey Ellie Hebert, Advisor

Performance Anxiety, Franklin High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Shaina Ocampo Brad Clark, Advisor

**Dear Future Self, Glenbrook South High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)** Kevyn Kerwin *Julie Benca, Advisor* 

Zinnias, Northampton HIgh School (Boston/New England Chapter) Jasper Fletcher, Jonah Herman-Slaghekke Jeromie Whalen, Advisor

Death of a Mediocre Human, Vancouver School of Arts & Academics (Northwest Chapter) Nathan Keldsen, Ian MacDonald, Brooke Cruz, Natalie McNulty, Casey Akimseu-Arnold, Eleanor Winkley Andrew Berhow, Advisor

## Fiction - Long Form

Stories from the Dreamscape, Anderson High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Emily Ivanov Chad Weddle, Advisor

The River's Edge, Anderson High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Caitlin Walsh Chad Weddle, Advisor

Disowned - short film, The Westminster Schools (Southeast Chapter) Andrew Stevens, Jonas Du, Patrick Nagy Daniel Searl, Advisor

## Sports Story or Segment

State Swim and Dive, Alpharetta High School (Southeast Chapter) Van Emberger Tracy Misner, Advisor

Missing Gahanna Bill, Gahanna Lincoln High School (Ohio Valley Chapter) Audrey Paquette, Mia Sammons Mark Lowrie, Advisor

The Fighter, Hillcrest High School (Mid-America Chapter) Sophia Vaughn, Trevor Roy Dave Davis, Advisor

A Spring without Sports, Plymouth South High School (Boston/New England Chapter) Matthew Doherty *Tami Degelder, Adam Smith, Evan McNamara, Advisors* 

Snowboarding Evolves, Port Angeles High School (Northwest Chapter) Piper Jenson Patric McInnis, Advisor Balancing a Brooklyn Knucklehead, Prosper High School (Lone Star Chapter) Cristina Folsom, Mason Mumy, Goel Yongo, Brenna Gibbons *Michael Hatch, Advisor* 

Raptor Sports Report, Ravenwood High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter) Brooks Taylor Megan Sanchez, Advisor

## Sports Program

DAF Media 2021 Winter Sports Preview, DAF Media (Boston/New England Chapter) Ted Brennan, Peter McLean, Kate Demark, Braden Schenck, MacKenzie O'Shea, Cole Murphy, Harrison Bell Damian Andrew Dobrosielski, Advisor

**The Lincoln Sports Zone, Gahanna Lincoln High School (Ohio Valley Chapter)** Audrey Paquette, Lily Sager, Javan Simmons, Kortney Grimm, Julu Grubich, Mia Sammons, Brendan Phillips, Evan Henry, Josh Knuckles, Allison Shepard, Michael Benson *Mark Lowrie, Advisor* 

Titan Sports: Resilience, Glenbrook South High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter) Sophie Cotton, Jane Fitzgibbon, Michael Cunningham, George Sladoje Julie Benca, Advisor

Wildcat Sports Network | Episode 69, Har-Ber High School (Mid-America Chapter) Samantha Lewandowski *Travis Sherman, Advisor* 

## Live Sporting Event/Game

2020 CHSAA 5A Semi-Final: Cherry Creek vs. Pomona, Cherry Creek High School (Mid-America Chapter) Jonathan Varghese, Matthew Anderson

Benjamin Parris, Advisor

## The Rivalry Continues: Darien vs. New Canaan, Girls Hockey Game, DAF Media (Boston/New England Chapter)

Dylan DeRiso, Austin Platt, Braden Schenck, Cole Murphy, Jack Kelley, Adam Nelson, Ian Nicholas Damian Andrew Dobrosielski, Advisor

Westminster-Lovett Football: Battle of Buckhead, The Westminster Schools (Southeast Chapter) James Solomon, Turner Cravens, David Goetze Daniel Searl, Advisor

## Public Service Announcement (PSA)

**One Second, Brentwood High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)** Eliza Linney, Noah True, Stuart Beaton *Ronnie Adcock, Advisor* 

PSA Social Media, Dedham High School (Boston/New England Chapter) Hilen Miralda Sue Scully-Rose, Advisor

## Spread the Word: Inclusion, Gahanna Lincoln High School (Ohio Valley Chapter)

Trinity Nhem, Benjamin Brody Mark Lowrie, Advisor

## Pandemic Pandemonium, Glenbrook North High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

Mariel Mudrik Todd Rubin, Advisor

Just One Time, Har-Ber High School (Mid-America Chapter) Luke Perez, Ellen Fink, Samantha Lewandowski Travis Sherman, Advisor

## Commercial

#### Media + Publication Center Commercial, Christ Presbyterian Academy (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter)

Sylvie Keck, Logan Reid, Will Stringfield, Pierce DuRard, Christian Strom, Brianne Cummings Michael Ellson, Advisor

Lord of the Flies, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter) **Charles Fernandes** Drew Furtado, Advisor

#### Seven Springs Mountain Resort, Penn Trafford High School (Mid-Atlantic Chapter) Khristian Miller, Austin Varner, Cody Sepe

Steve Vinton, Advisor

Innovation at Westminster, The Westminster Schools (Southeast Chapter) Jonas Du Daniel Searl, Advisor

Steam Club, Whitney High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Alicia Chiang, Michaela Oh Ben Barnholdt, Advisor

## Animation/Graphics/Special Effects

#### Perch, Allatoona High School (Southeast Chapter) Logan Magaw Raef Williams, Advisor

## Time Tower, Ballard High School (Northwest Chapter) Nathan Laha

Steven Bradford. Advisor

## Drift Kings, Cypress Bay High School (Suncoast Chapter) Luis Rodriguez Taiwo Cummings, Advisor

Beasts in the Orange clouds, El Diamante High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Mario Landeros Ellie Hebert, Advisor

## ILEA, West Broward High School/West Broward TV (Suncoast Chapter) Andrea Guzman Vidal (Chuck) Rivera, Jodi Tesser, Advisor

## Travis and Max Animation Sample, William G. Enloe High School (Nashville/Mid-South Chapter) Travis Turner, Max Hammer

Bill Notarnicola, Advisor

## <u>Audio/Sound</u>

Notes, Buchanan High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Noah Roberto, Chris Pearce Daniel Pearce. Advisor

## Abuela's Cafe, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter)

Carson Gonzalez Omar Delgado, Rafael Diaz, Advisors

## Ryan Kraska - Audio Reel, Sunrise Mountain High School (Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter) Ryan Kraska

Amy Nygard, Advisor

## Marked - A Short Film, The Westminster Schools (Southeast Chapter) Patrick Nagy Daniel Searl, Advisor

#### ILEA, West Broward High School (Suncoast Chapter)

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#### Coppell Rewind, Coppell High School (Lone Star Chapter)

Robert Bizacky Irma Lazos-Kennedy, Advisor

## Charles Fernandes-Director Reel, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Charles Fernandes Drew Furtado, Advisor

## LATE! a silent film, Mt. Carmel High School (Chicago/Midwest Chapter)

Noah Sanchez Tony DiFilippo, Advisor

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#### Marked - A Short Film, The Westminster Schools (Southeast Chapter) Samantha Cohn Daniel Searl, Advisor

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Charles Fernandes-Editor Reel, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

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ILEA, West Broward High School (Suncoast Chapter) Genesis Ibarra

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## **Photographer**

**OverNight, Alpharetta High School (Southeast Chapter)** Van Emberger *Tracy Misner, Advisor* 

Who's Sorry Now, Buchanan High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Noah Roberto Daniel Pearce, Advisor

Charles Fernandes-Photography Reel, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter) Charles Fernandes Drew Furtado, Advisor

Samantha Lewandowski | Photographer, Har-Ber High School (Mid-America Chapter) Samantha Lewandowski *Travis Sherman, Advisor* 

Mirage, Moanalua High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Sara Brekke, Khloe Ringor Mark Ikenaga, Advisor

## Talent - New or Sports

Christopher Gomez Talent Reel, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter) Christopher Gomez *Omar Delgado, Christina Insua, Advisors* 

Marcelo Villar-Ojito Composite Reel, Doral Academy Preparatory (Suncoast Chapter) Marcelo Villar-Ojito Elayne Diaz, Advisor

Grant Johnson Demo Reel, Prosper High School (Lone Star Chapter)

Grant Johnson Michael Hatch, Advisor

## Maggie Hale Demo Reel, Prosper High School (Lone Star Chapter)

Maggie Hale Michael Hatch, Advisor

## Ryan Kraska - Talent, Sunrise Mountain High School (Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter)

Ryan Kraska Amy Nygard, Advisor

## <u> Talent - Performer</u>

#### She's the Only One, Fairhaven High School (Boston/New England Chapter)

Evan Pina, Jr. Drew Furtado, Advisor

## Oz's Eyes, Pierce County High School (Southeast Chapter) Jaeden Lincoln

John DuPont, Advisor

## ILEA, West Broward High School (Suncoast Chapter)

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Cells vs. Zombies: The Role of Cellular Senescence in the Human Body, Amador Valley High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter) Nitya Ayyagari Mani Vemulakonda, Advisor

#### Abuela's Cafe, Christopher Columbus High School (Suncoast Chapter) Julen Herrerias Rafael Diaz, Daniella Rodriguez, Advisors

## Dear Friend, Garfield High School (Northwest Chapter)

Ryan Marie Aiken Jacques Pugh, Advisor

## Oz's Eyes, Pierce County High School (Southeast Chapter)

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## Hello Kitty, Goodbye Innocence, Tamalpais High School (San Francisco/Northern California Chapter)

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