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## The Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Announces 2025 Gold Circle Honoree

**Pembroke Pines, FL (March 2025)** - The Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences has announced Eric Paulsen as the 2025 Gold Circle honoree, posthumously. The Gold Circle recognizes individuals who have worked with distinction in the television industry within the Suncoast region of the State of Florida, the State of Louisiana, the Mobile, Alabama – Pensacola, Florida television market and/or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico for fifty years or more. This recognition will be given at the 2025 Suncoast Silver Circle ceremony on Sunday, May 4th at the Renaissance Fort Lauderdale Marina Hotel.

### Gold Circle 2025 Honoree



**Eric Paulsen**

Former News Anchor • WWL-TV • New Orleans, LA

**Eric Paulsen**, a beloved New Orleans broadcasting legend, spent 40+ years as WWL-TV's top-rated morning anchor. Known for his warmth, humor, and journalistic excellence, he covered all of New Orleans – from major events like Hurricane Katrina to celebrating the city's culture. A champion of local talent and causes, and recipient of numerous awards, he leaves a lasting legacy in journalism and the community he loved.

The Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences accepts nominations for the prestigious Gold Circle annually. The Board of Governors evaluates nominees' contributions and then votes for inductees by secret ballot.

#### About the Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences

The Suncoast Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences is a nonprofit Florida corporation dedicated to excellence in television. We offer annual EMMY® Awards called The Suncoast Regional EMMY® Awards to television markets in the entire State of Florida, Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Lake Charles and New Orleans, Louisiana, Mobile, Alabama, Thomasville, Georgia and Puerto Rico. The Chapter is comprised of professional people who work in television or students who are studying television in colleges or universities and aspire to become professionals. If you would like to become a member, please visit our [Membership](#) page. If you are interested in the Suncoast Regional EMMY® Awards, please visit our website at [suncoastchapter.org](http://suncoastchapter.org).