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Michigan Radio News Staff Honored for Excellence

ANN ARBOR, Mich.— News staff from Michigan Radio, the public radio service of the University of Michigan, were recently recognized for news excellence from the Society of Professional Journalists, Detroit Metropolitan Chapter for news coverage in 2007.

Michigan Radio reporter Jennifer Guerra was named “Young Journalist of the Year.” This is the first time a Michigan Radio reporter has won this prestigious award. Other finalists for “Young Journalist of the Year” were Dustin Dwyer of Michigan Radio, and reporters from the Detroit Free Press and The Flint Journal.

In addition to this recognition, the station received ten awards for excellence in journalism from the Society of Professional Journalists, Detroit Metropolitan Chapter for news coverage in 2007. The total was more than any other radio station in metropolitan Detroit.

Michigan Radio received SPJ Awards for 2007 in the following categories:

Spot or Breaking News

- Dustin Dwyer and Steve Carmody, Michigan Radio
“GM Workers Go On Strike”

General News Reporting

- Tracy Samilton, Michigan Radio
“Land Banks in Flint”

Features Reporting

- Kaomi Goetz, Michigan Radio
“Ford Laid to Rest”

Sports Reporting

- Steve Carmody, Michigan Radio
“High School Concussions”
- Tracy Samilton, Michigan Radio
“Big Ten Network vs. Comcast”

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Investigative Reporting

- Michigan Radio new staff
“Grading Michigan Schools”
- Vincent Duffy, Michigan Radio
“Jean Klock Park”

Newscast

- Charity Nebbe and Michigan Radio newsroom
July 17, 2007, broadcast
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Sept.11, 2007, broadcast

News Special/Documentary

- Michigan Radio – Staff
“Ashes to Hope: Overcoming the Detroit Riots”

The Detroit SPJ Chapter presents Excellence in Media awards annually for outstanding news reporting and analysis in local publications, broadcast and new electronic media. This year's contest received more than 300 entries from Detroit area newspapers, magazines and broadcast outlets. All entries aired between January 1 and December 31, 2007.

Michigan Radio is the state's most listened-to public radio service, attracting approximately 450,000 listeners each week across the southern half of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. Michigan Radio broadcasts at 91.7 FM in southeastern Michigan, 91.1 FM in Flint, and 104.1 FM in western Michigan.

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