

2026 NENPA FALL AWARDS

Complete List of Award Winners and Distinguished Honorees

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NEW ENGLAND NEWSPAPER OF THE YEAR

Newspaper of the Year winners and Distinguished honorees by publication category.

Weekday edition, small circulation

Newspaper of the Year: Gloucester Daily Times

Distinguished: Greenfield Recorder

Distinguished: The Keene Sentinel

Weekday edition, large circulation

Newspaper of the Year: Portland Press Herald

Distinguished: Bangor Daily News

Distinguished: The Providence Journal

Sunday edition, small circulation

Newspaper of the Year: The Keene Sentinel

Distinguished: Concord Monitor

Distinguished: The Day

Sunday edition, large circulation

Newspaper of the Year: Maine Sunday Telegram

Distinguished: The Berkshire Eagle

Distinguished: The Sunday Republican

Weekly edition, small circulation

Newspaper of the Year: Martha's Vineyard Times

Distinguished: The Vermont Standard

Distinguished: Provincetown Independent

Weekly edition, large circulation

Newspaper of the Year: The Ellsworth American.

Distinguished: Seven Days

Distinguished: Vineyard Gazette

Distinguished: The Inquirer and Mirror

Specialty Publication

Newspaper of the Year: Providence Business News

Distinguished: The Bridge

Distinguished: New Boston Beacon

Online News Sites

Newspaper of the Year: The New Bedford Light

Distinguished: VT Digger

Distinguished: Rhode Island Current

PUBLIC OCCURRENCES AWARDS

Award-winning journalism and the publications recognized.

Seven Days: Ice at the Doorstep

Berkshire Eagle: Hinsdale Police Shooting Investigated

Portland Press Herald: Bath's Hyde School

New Hampshire Bulletin: A System of Harm

Seven Days: Dividing Line

MassLive: Gabriel House Fire

MassLive: Hidden Hunger

Provincetown Independent: Community of Jesus

Berkshire Eagle: Legionnaires disease at Berkshire Medical Center

Daily Item: Where have all the good men gone?

Seven Days: Up in the Air

Seven Days: I'm not well

Provincetown Independent: ICE Arrests Defendant outside Orleans

Keene Sentinel: Unfinished Business

The Providence Journal: FM Global Investigation

Seven Days: Ways and Means

Seven Days: Empty Desks

The Concord Bridge: Confronting antisemitism

INDIVIDUAL AND SPECIAL AWARDS

New England First Amendment Award

Rick Green · The Keene Sentinel

Allan B. Rogers Editorial Award

Strengthening the Net · The Inquirer and Mirror

Bob Wallack Community Journalism Award

Abby Remer · The Martha's Vineyard Times

The Cornerstone Award

Nicole Jackson · The Martha's Vineyard Times

In recognition of unsung heroes who meaningfully and significantly contribute to the accomplishments of our publications

AP Sevellon Brown New England Journalist of the Year

Callie Ferguson · Bangor Daily News

2026 A-MARK PRIZES

Public-service journalism prizes awarded in Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire.

First place: \$5,000 to journalist(s); \$2,500 to outlet. Second place: \$3,000 to journalist(s); \$1,500 to outlet. Third place: \$2,000 to journalist(s); \$1,000 to outlet.

Connecticut

1st place — Inside Investigator

Katherine Revello and Brandon Whiting

Sexual Misconduct at CSCU and Uconn

2nd place — Inside Investigator

Marc E. Fitch

Nonprofit Abuse

3rd place — The Connecticut Mirror/KFF Health News

Noam N. Levey, Katy Golvala and Jenna Carlesso

Diagnosis: Debt Connecticut

Rhode Island

1st place — The Providence Journal

Antonia Noori Farzan and Jonny Williams

Hospital Dumping

2nd place — The Providence Journal

Alex Kuffner

FM/PFAS

3rd place — Rhode Island Current

Nancy Lavin

Home Foot Care

Vermont

1st place — VTDigger

Greta Solsaa

Nursing Homes

2nd place — North Star Monthly

Justin Lavelly

VTSU-Lyndon

3rd place — VTDigger

Ethan Weinstein

Vermont Prisons and ICE

Massachusetts

1st place — MassLive/The Republican

Hadley Barndollar and Greta Jochem

Death Under Watch

2nd place — MassLive

Hadley Barndollar

Gabriel House Fire

3rd place — Provincetown Independent

Jack Styler

Community of Jesus

Maine

1st place — Portland Press Herald

Emily Duggan

Parents Rights Groups

2nd place — The Maine Monitor/Bangor Daily News

Josh Keefe and Callie Ferguson

Maine State Police/Justin Savage Arrest

3rd place — Bangor Daily News/ProPublica

Sawyer Loftus

USDA Foreclosures

New Hampshire

1st place — New Hampshire Bulletin

William Skipworth

A System of Harm

2nd place — NHPR

Todd Bookman

Judicial Branch \$50k

3rd place — InDepth NH

Damien Fisher

Corrections Commissioner Hanks