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WABC-TV EYEWITNESS NEWS WINS FIVE AWARDS AT THE 63RD ANNUAL NEW YORK EMMY® AWARDS, SATURDAY, APRIL 25

Sweeps Every English Language Newscast Category

ABC Owned Television Station's WABC-TV New York won five Emmy[®] Awards from the New York Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. The 63rd Annual New York Emmy[®] Awards ceremony took place on Saturday, April 25, 2020 as a first-ever livestreamed event with WABC's Sandy Kenyon and N.J. Burkett announcing the winners remotely from Times Square.

The WABC-TV Eyewitness News team swept every English language newscast category nominated, which included Morning, Daytime, Evening and Weekend Newscast. WABC's Danielle Leigh and Steve Cioffi also received the Emmy Award in the category of Education/Schools for their special investigative report, "The Harmed Suburban Five," that analyzed state funding data on fairness and equal opportunities in schools.

"Our Eyewitness News team works diligently year-round, keeping our viewers informed of important topics that impact them, and our ratings continue to show us their appreciation," said Debra O'Connell, president and general manager at WABC-TV "Winning five Emmys is an industry nod that gives further recognition to the outstanding work of the entire Eyewitness team and every department that supports our station. I couldn't be prouder of this team and their commitment to our viewers, communities and the industry."

Emmy Award newscast categories won by WABC-TV:

Morning Newscast: (Larger markets 1-49, English) "Snowstorm Gridlock," Nov. 16, 2018

Daytime Newscast: (Larger markets 1-49, English) "Sanitation Truck Crash," July 3, 2019

Evening Newscast: (Larger markets, 1-49, English) "Massive Fire Marcal Paper Mills Plant," Jan. 30, 2019

Weekend Newscast: "Manhattan Blackout," July 13, 2019

Education/Schools (News): "The Harmed Suburban Five," March 19, 2019



Photos courtesy of WABC-NY correspondent N.J. Burkett (<u>https://www.instagram.com/njburkett/?hl=en</u>) Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, WABC-TV correspondents N.J. Burkett (left) along with Sandy Kenyon (right) announced the winners remotely from Times Square with industry colleagues joining from various locations across the tri-state area.

About WABC

WABC-TV has been the leader in local news and entertainment programming in the New York City area for more than 60 years. Producing more than 45 hours of live, local news and weather each week, Channel 7 "Eyewitness News" is the most watched local news in New York and the United States. WABC-TV also produces "Live with Kelly and Ryan," weekdays at 9:00 a.m., which is seen in more than 200 markets across the U.S. Quality news and programming, cutting-edge technology and ongoing community outreach are the hallmarks of excellence that have consistently kept WABC-TV New York's No. 1 station and the most-watched television station in the nation.

About ABC Owned Television Stations

The ABC Owned Television Stations includes WABC-TV New York, KABC-TV Los Angeles, WLS-TV Chicago, WPVI-TV Philadelphia, KGO-TV San Francisco, KTRK-TV Houston, WTVD-TV Raleigh-Durham and KFSN-TV Fresno. The eight owned stations reach 23% of all U.S. television households. The stations are consistently market leaders in multiplatform local news, collectively No. 1 in local news among Adults 25-54 for 11 consecutive broadcast seasons, and in overall digital audience, video consumption and social reach and engagement. In 2018, the Stations further expanded their content portfolio and reach with the launch of the digital-first national lifestyle brand Localish that in its first year produced over 650 pieces of digital video content, totaling more than 240 million video views. The Live Well broadcast channel was rebranded as Localish in February 2020, delivering locally sourced yet nationally relevant storytelling as long-form linear programming to more than 14 million viewers across America.

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