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**Faculty Scriptwriting Competition**  
**Original Television Series Pilot Category**  
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**Nathan Patton**

MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

*All These Lonesome Graveyards*

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**Faculty Audio Competition**  
**Long-Form Production Category**  
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**Keith Brand**

ROWAN UNIVERSITY

*Greetings from Fire Island*

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**Jeff Jacoby**

SAN FRANCISCO STATE

*The Traveling Radio Show Goes to the CSU!*

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**Faculty Sports Competition**  
**Long Form Sports Video Category**  
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**Jordan Kligerman, Austin Beehner, Mike Lang & Richard Wiesmann**

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

*Authentic ACC: Syracuse Spring Football*

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**Faculty Interactive Multimedia Competition**

Mixed Category

**Best of Competition**

**Dr. Jason Webb & Ricky Pak**

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*AR Monologues*

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## Faculty Sports Competition

TV Sports Event Direction and Production Category

### Best of Competition

**Joe Brackman**

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

*Cincinnati Men's Basketball vs Kansas*

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**Faculty Interactive Multimedia Competition**

**Interactive Reality Category**

**Best of Competition**

**Pat Clark**

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

*Eyes of Freedom Immersive*

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**Faculty Documentary Competition**  
**Short-Form Documentary Category**  
**Best of Competition**

**Heather Cassano**

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

*The Wild Girl of Brushvalley Township*

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**Faculty News Competition**

**Television Feature News Reporting Category**

**Best of Competition**

**Kareem El Damanhoury, Muhammad Darwish, Angelica Pursley & Matog Saleh**

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

*From Denver to Mecca: A CNN producer's personal pilgrimage to Islam's holiest site*

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**Faculty Film & Video Competition**  
**Narrative Video Category**  
**Award of Excellence**

**Jason J. Roche**

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY  
*All That CHASS*

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**Narrative Feature Category**

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**Matthew Evans**

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

*Hole-in-the-Wall*

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**Beecher Reuning**

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

*Mace*

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Faculty Film & Video Competition  
Promotional Video Category  
Award of Excellence

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Festival Chair