

2009 GCPA BETTER NEWSPAPER CONTEST Awards
announced during Press Institute at The Classic Center in
Athens, Georgia, on Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Impact Award for Best Editorial Cartoonist

Jenna Mittman - Emory Wheel- Emory University

Best Column

2-Year College Division

- 3rd Ashlee Davis – The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
2nd Alicia Harper – The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee
1st Felicia Lockey – The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

4-Year College Division

- 3rd Ashley Whitaker - The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
2nd Robert Greene II – The George Anne – Georgia Southern University
1st Leah Cunningham – The Navigator – Piedmont College

Best Review

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Ben White – The Compass – Gainesville State College
2nd Joe Patrick – The Compass – Gainesville State College
1st Scott Jenkins - The Voice– Gainesville State College - Oconee

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Zheng Zheng – Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
2nd Ryan Babula – The George Anne – Georgia Southern University
1st Kim Harbrecht -Campus Carrier – Berry College

Best Editorial or Feature Photograph

2 Yr. Division

- 3rd Jacob McWhorter – The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
2nd Nick Godfrey– Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
1st Katie Coon – The Voice – Gainesville State College- Oconee

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Joey Cerone – Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
2nd Austin Cabot - The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
1st Rob Eakins – The George Anne – Georgia Southern University

Best Sports Photograph

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Josh Griffin - The Stallion - Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
2nd Parker Ferren - The Stallion - Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
1st Chiara VanTubbergen – Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Joey Cerone – Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 2nd Michael Forsyth – The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
- 1st Michael Schneider – Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology

Best News Photograph

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Katie Coon - The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 2nd Jacob McWhorter – The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 1st Staff – The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Kelvin Kuo – Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 2nd Charles Minshew -The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 1st Chris Buchanan -The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University

Best Photo Essay

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd LaTonya Burrell, Robyn Johnson, Chiara VanTubbergen– Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd Lauren Blais – The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st Rachel Reed – The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd The West Georgian – State University of West Georgia
- 2nd Brandilyn Brown, Rob Eakins, Kelly Vermeil- The George-Anne – Ga. So. Univ.
- 1st Claire Kersey - The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

Best Sports Story

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Eric Benavidez – Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd Mike Williams – The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st Will Hess – The Voice– Gainesville State College - Oconee

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Michael Wilson – The Spectator – Valdosta State University
- 2nd Courtney Murrah – The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
- 1st Ashley McIntyre – Campus Carrier – Berry College

Best Entertainment Feature

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Nick Godfrey & Ashlyn McPherson -Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd Jacob McWhorter - The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 1st Scott Jenkins & Alex Gregorie - The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Staff - Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 2nd Staff - The Macon Statement – Macon State College
- 1st Amanda Griswell - Campus Carrier – Berry College

Best Entertainment Story

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Lesley Mathis – Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd Lauren Blais – The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st Emily Perry – The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Tammie Smith – Emory Wheel – Emory University
- 2nd Philip Clements – The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 1st Ginny Chae – Emory Wheel – Emory University

Best Feature Story

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Jacob McWhorter – The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 2nd Katie Coon – The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 1st Lauren Blais – The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Ally Rakoczy - The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 2nd Chelsea Thomas - The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
- 1st Nicole Nesmith – Campus Carrier – Berry College

Best Editorial or Editorial Series

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Staff – The Voice– Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 2nd Staff – The Voice– Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 1st Alejandro Ramirez – The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Jenny Morgan – Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 2nd Staff – The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 1st Staff - Emory Wheel-Emory University

Best News Article Based on Objective Reporting

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Joey Smith- The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 2nd Tyler Ashley - The Voice– Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 1st Alejandro Ramirez - The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Claire Kersey – The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
- 2nd Wes Mayle – The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 1st Jessica Hoover – Campus Carrier – Berry College

Best News Article Based on Investigative Reporting

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Nick Godfrey – Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd Christie Boyd – Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 1st Steven Stubbs- The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

4-Yr. Division

- 3rd Ashley McIntyre – Campus Carrier – Berry College
- 2nd Wes Mayle – The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 1st Danielle Everson – The Spectator – Valdosta State University

Best Newspaper Web Site

- 3rd The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
- 2nd Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1st The Sentinel – Kennesaw State University

Improvement Award

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 2nd Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 1st The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd The Navigator – Piedmont College
- 2nd The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College and State University

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 2nd Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1st The Cluster – Mercer University

General Photography Excellence

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 1st The Compass – Gainesville State College

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd Campus Carrier – Berry College
- 2nd The Colonnade – Georgia College and State University
- 1st The Navigator – Piedmont College

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 2nd The Spectator – Valdosta State University
- 1st Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology

General Advertising Excellence

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 2nd The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 1st Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd Campus Carrier – Berry College
- 2nd The Navigator – Piedmont College
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd No 3rd place winner for this category
- 2nd The Spectator – Valdosta State University
- 1st The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University

Layout and Design Excellence

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 2nd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st The Stallion - Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 2nd The Navigator – Piedmont College
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 2nd The Cluster – Mercer University
- 1st Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology

Best Campus Community Service - Editorial Excellence

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 2nd The Stallion - Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 1st Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd The Navigator – Piedmont College
- 2nd Campus Carrier – Berry College
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 2nd The Spectator – Valdosta State University
- 1st Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology

Best Campus Community Service- Sports

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 2nd The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 1st Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College

4-yr. Division B

- 3rd The Navigator – Piedmont College
- 2nd The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

4-yr. Division A

- 3rd The George-Anne - Georgia Southern University
- 2nd Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1st The Cluster – Mercer University

Best Community Service - Features

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Stallion – Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
- 2nd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 2nd The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University
- 1st Campus Carrier – Berry College

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd The Spectator – Valdosta State University
- 2nd The Cluster – Mercer University
- 1st Emory Wheel – Emory University

Best Campus Community Service - News

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd The Voice – Gainesville State College - Oconee
- 2nd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st The Stallion - Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

4-Yr. Division B

- 3rd Campus Carrier – Berry College
- 2nd The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

4-Yr. Division A

- 3rd The George-Anne – Georgia Southern University
- 2nd Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology
- 1st Emory Wheel – Emory University

GENERAL EXCELLENCE

2-Yr. Division

- 3rd Six Mile Post – Georgia Highlands College
- 2nd The Compass – Gainesville State College
- 1st The Stallion- Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

4-yr. Division B

- 3rd The Bell Ringer – Augusta State University
- 2nd The Navigator – Piedmont College
- 1st The Colonnade – Georgia College & State University

4-yr. Division A

- 3rd The Cluster – Mercer University
- 2nd The George-Anne - Georgia Southern University
- 1st Technique – Georgia Institute of Technology