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The EMAs 2019 winners are...
National awards competition celebrates the best in student media

Toronto, April 4, 2019 – The Emerge Media Awards is proud to announce the winners for the 2019 event. The winners in eight student media categories were presented at the annual gala event at St. James Cathedral Centre in downtown Toronto.

Now in its fifth year, the Emerge Media Awards Gala is organized and hosted by the University of Guelph-Humber’s fourth year graduating students majoring in Public Relations and Media Business. The event is designed to recognize and acknowledge the work of post-secondary students in eight categories.

This year’s winners represent universities and colleges from every part of Canada, including Fanshawe College, University of British Columbia, Mount Royal University, University of Regina, Conestoga College, Ryerson University, University of Toronto, and the University of Guelph-Humber.

The winners for the 2019 Emerge Media Awards are:

**Photography:** Casey Wiginton, Fanshawe College, “Bursting at the Seams”

**Written Word:** Zak Vescera, University of British Columbia, “The lonely Goddess: A lost memory of Tiananmen hides in plain sight on UBC Campus”

**Audio Storytelling:** Rayane Sabbagh, Curtis Larson and Robyn Welsh, Mount Royal University, “Breaking Expectations”
Videography: Caitlin Taylor, Janelle Blakley, Kyrsten Stringer, Kyle Griffin and Reza Golzadeh, University of Regina, “Alter”

Public Relations: Annette Hynes, Conestoga College, “Building Our Community, One Child at a Time”

Multimedia Production: Sophie Gray, Alexander Kim, Emma Loy, Holly McKenzie-Sutter, Alex Migdal, Sharon Nadeem, Andrew Seal, Aryn Strickland, University of British Columbia, “Stuck”

Design: Print Magazine Cover or Spread: Troy Lawrence, Angela Fu and Pearl Cao, University of Toronto, “The Weed Issue”

Design: Online News Site or Magazine: Emerge Magazine 2018, University of Guelph-Humber

The winning entries and finalists can be found on the Emerge Media Awards website.

“The University of Guelph-Humber is delighted to welcome students from across this country and to provide them with an opportunity to showcase their outstanding work,” said Kathy Ullyott, the program head of Media Studies. “The media industry is forever changing and growing and that is reflective in the work we received this year by post-secondary students across Canada.”

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About the Emerge Media Awards

The Emerge Media Awards is an evening hosted by the University of Guelph-Humber to celebrate and showcase the creativity of media studies, communication and journalism students across Canada. Now in its fifth year, the awards program explores and recognizes outstanding writing, editing, videography, audio, graphic design, communications and public relations work by post-secondary media studies students in all parts of Canada.

About the University of Guelph-Humber
Founded in 2002, the University of Guelph-Humber prides itself on its integration of theory and practical education in the classroom. Students earn an honours degree from the University of Guelph and a diploma from Humber College concurrently over four years, in one location. Through its seven undergraduate programs, the University of Guelph-Humber offers its 5,000 students a high impact education through experiential learning within a small class environment. Learn more at guelphhumber.ca.

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