

RADIO, TV AND DIGITAL MEDIA AWARDS

Call for Entries



The RIAS Berlin Commission's Media Awards will be relaunched in 2021 with new prize money, a new focus and new categories. There will be a total of up to \$12,000 (10,000 EUR) in prize money awarded for exceptional radio, television and digital stories that includes a new \$6,000 (5,000 EUR) grand prize for the single most outstanding entry that was broadcast in either the United States or Germany during 2020.

The RIAS Media Prize is intended to help strengthen the diversity of transatlantic dialogue and to deepen interest in German-American relations. Germany and the USA are each facing new directions in many respects, both internally and externally. Committed, independent journalism can contribute a great deal to mutual understanding of and between countries as well as to an open social discourse about values and goals. The contributions submitted should go beyond daily and routine reporting, should process information and describe social reality in a remarkable way, and promote dialogue on similarities and differences in transatlantic relations.

Ideally, contributions worth consideration should: stand out thematically and/or in their execution; take on new questions in a creative way; critically examine and make the diversity of social reality clear; contain interesting suggestions for transatlantic debate; encourage reflection on problems and solutions; question clichés about Germans and/or Americans; describe trends in everyday life that are of general interest; contribute in a special way to mutual curiosity and understanding; be suitable to strengthen democratic and societal values.

Entries must be received by RIAS Berlin Commission via email no later than **January 31st, 2021**. All work submitted must be the primary effort of the person or persons making the entry. RIAS Berlin Commission reserves the right to create additional categories such as a "Jury Prize" for awards or decline to make an award in a category where only a few entries or those of poor quality are received.

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DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES:

JANUARY 31, 2021

Entries must include:

- full name, title, business address, phone, e-mail,
- posting date(s) of the story, story running length, word count,
- story title and brief description
- a brief description of your role in the production of the story

Clearly indicate the category for your entry:

Categories are: 1) Television 2) Radio 3) Digital (includes podcasts and online) 4) "RIAS Fellow Prize" (best TV, radio or digital entry by a current RIAS participant or RIAS fellow alumni) A maximum of two entries per person is allowed. An entry is considered to be one single entry when several shorter pieces relate in form or content to a specific category.

All entries must be submitted electronically via email:

- with a valid URL that is active until **March 2021** and can be accessed without proprietary information (password) by RIAS jury.

ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE SENT TO:

Email: info@riasberlin.org

The RIAS Berlin Commission

is a binational organization for the promotion of German-American understanding in the field of broadcasting.