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WHYY EARNs FIVE MID-ATLANTIC EMMY AWARDS AMONG 17 NOMINATIONS

at the 44th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Emmy Awards held at Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

PHILADELPHIA, PA - September 27, 2026 — WHYY celebrated an outstanding night at the 2026 Mid-Atlantic Regional Emmy Awards, earning five Emmy Awards from 17 nominations recognizing the work of WHYY journalists, producers, hosts, photographers, editors and content creators.

A total of 84 entries in 81 categories were recognized during the 44th annual celebration. The awards honor excellence in television news, programming, and achievement in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and parts of Ohio and West Virginia.

WHYY's wins and nominations honor reflect the breadth of its work across news, arts and entertainment, history and culture, human interest, education and children's programming, among other categories.

"For years, with the support of our audiences, WHYY has grown not only the breadth of our programming, but its impact," said **Bill Marrazzo**, WHYY President & CEO. "Together, we've built a foundation for trusted journalism, creative expression and lifelong learning. Recognition from the Mid-Atlantic Emmys reflects the excellence of our talented teams and is especially meaningful coming from our media peers. Congratulations to all of WHYY's winners and nominees."

WHYY's 2026 Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award winners are:

HISTORICAL/CULTURAL – NEWS

MOVE Bombing at 40: Pilot Warning

Kimberly Paynter, Photojournalist; Tom MacDonald, Reporter; Sarah Glover, Executive Producer

DIVERSITY/EQUITY/INCLUSION – SHORT FORM CONTENT

Black Intellectual History

Karen Smyles, Producer; Bill Horace, Producer and Editor; Theron Louis, Photographer; Dan Rosenthal, Photographer

HUMAN INTEREST – SHORT FORM CONTENT

You Oughta Know: WeCanRow Philadelphia

Monica Rogozinski, Producer

DIVERSITY/EQUITY/INCLUSION – LONG FORM CONTENT

Heroes of Red Bank

Steven Dixon, Producer/Writer

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ENTERTAINMENT – LONG FORM CONTENT

Albie's Elevator: Pepperoni Sam/The Toast

Caitlin Corkery, Senior Producer; Tristan Horan, Producer; Dre Reed, Associate Producer; Gary Lindstrom, Photographer/Editor; Theron Louis, Photographer/Editor; Dan Rosenthal, Photographer/Editor; Benjamin Kall, Photographer/Editor; Charles St. John Smith, Producer; Paul Triggiani, Producer; Kevin J. Kelly, Producer

"It's wonderful to see our teams' work recognized. We have so many talented people across WHYY, and these awards reflect the great work they do every day," said **Terri Murray**, Chief Content Officer and Vice President of Programming & Production at WHYY.

"WHYY's Mid-Atlantic Emmy award wins are a testament to the collective excellence of WHYY media and journalism," said **Sarah Glover**, WHYY's VP of News and Civic Dialogue. "Each reporter, editor, producer and camera operator brings fresh perspectives and unique storytelling skills to meet the news and information needs of our local audiences."

In addition to its five wins, WHYY received nominations for work including *Cardboard Genius*; *You Oughta Know: Magic Gardens Studio*; *You Oughta Know: Building Ghosts*; *The Declaration, 250 Years Later*; *Live Aid 40th Anniversary with Midge Ure*; *Sidewalk Store*; *VMC Women Veterans Center*; *Check, Please! Philly*; *Speak Up, Stand Up*; *Good Souls 2025*; and *You Oughta Know: Lambertville*.

The recognition represents work from across WHYY and underscores the organization's commitment to creating compelling journalism, educational programming and stories that reflect the people, communities and experiences of the Greater Philadelphia region.

About WHYY:

WHYY, the Philadelphia region's leading independent, non-commercial public media provider, has served southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and all of Delaware for more than 70 years. WHYY's mission is to engage audiences, expand perspectives, and empower communities through lifelong learning, truthful reporting, healthy dialogue, and amplification of diverse voices. The station's national production and presentation roster for public media includes *Fresh Air with Terry Gross & Tonya Mosley*, the award-winning weekday magazine of contemporary arts and issues; the children's arts education series *Albie's Elevator* and *The Infinite Art Hunt*; the weekly science and health program & podcast, *The Pulse* as well as a variety of documentaries, series, and specials. WHYY also serves as the Local Primary 1 (LP1) station for the Philadelphia emergency alert system (EAS) operational area, acting as the region's primary broadcaster for receiving and relaying emergency alerts to other stations and cable systems—ensuring the public receives timely and potentially lifesaving information. For more information, visit [WHYY.org](https://www.whyy.org)

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