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2015 STANDARD BANK SIKUVILE AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

20 May 2015, Johannesburg – The Print and Digital Media South Africa (PDMSA) is pleased to announce the finalists in the 2015 Standard Bank Sikuville Awards, an annual recognition of excellence in South African journalism.

Of the 697 submissions received, 75 finalists were drawn across 14 award categories. This year saw the number of entries once again increase. What was particularly encouraging was that the number of journalists entering the Awards also increased says Ingrid Louw, Chief Executive, PDMSA. “This is a clear indication of, firstly, the credibility of the Sikuville Awards and, secondly, of the quality of our journalism and newspapers as well as the calibre of our journalists.”

The convenor judge, Paula Fray, agrees with Louw saying that the quality of the submissions this year impressed the judges. “I think it is safe to say that South African journalism is world class.”

The investigative journalism category in particular stood out, especially in terms of the range of work it represented while the multi-media category continued to build on its growth from last year in terms of entries, a sign, Fray, says that the industry is coming to grips with digital mediums and that journalists’ understanding of this medium is evolving.

Louw congratulated all the finalists. “On behalf of the PDMSA I would like to congratulate the finalists. Each and every one of them has shown that they are passionate about their work and possess the talent and skills to produce excellent journalism.”

The entries were judged at the end of March at the PDMSA offices in Gauteng over a two day period by respected journalists (*see below for a complete list of judges*).

The winners will be announced at the awards ceremony that will take place on 24 June 2015 at “The Venue Green Park” also known as Johannesburg World Trade Centre.

The Standard Bank Sikuvile Journalism Awards 2015

THE 2015 AWARD JUDGES INCLUDED:

Paula Fray (Convenor)	Jubie Mayet
David Wightman	Mathatha Tsedu
Dinesh Balliah	Elizabeth Barratt
Gus Silber	Pippa Green
Henry Jeffreys	Tim du Plessis
Irwin Manoim	Tumi Makgabo
Lizeka Mda	Neo Ntsoma
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The Standard Bank Sikuvile Journalism Awards 2015 Finalists and Commended

CATEGORY 1: HARD NEWS

	NAME	TITLE	COMPANY
Runners up / Finalists:	Botho Molosankwe, Timothy Bernard, Theresa Taylor & Omphitlhetse Mooki	“Joburg’s Raging Fires – Firefight Scandal”	The Star
	Bongani Mdakane & Kgomotso Moganedi	“Senzo a Soccer Cheat	Sunday Sun
	Botho Molosankwe	“What a Bummer”	The Star

CATEGORY 2: COLUMNS / EDITORIAL

Runners up / Finalists:	Adrian Ephraim	“For My Sake, please quit the Happy videos”	Mail & Guardian
	Milisuthando Bongela	A series of Columns – “Body of Work”	City Press
	Charles Leonard	“Music is my savior”	Mail & Guardian
Commended:	Henry Cloete	“Dookoom, Dialoog en Kunsvrees”	Netwerk 24
	Sue de Groot	“As the word terns”	Sunday Times

CATEGORY 3: ENTERPRISE NEWS

Runners up / Finalists:	Kathryn Kimberley	“Gangs thrive on poor”	The Herald
	Moyagabo Maake	“A Fishy Business”	City Press

	Shaun Smillie	"The Lion of Alberton	The Times / Times Live
	Pieter-Louis Myburgh	"Spoedvraat-nasie / Speed is in our Blood"	Rapport / City Press
	Mkhululi Ndamase, Riaan Marais & Brian Witbooi	"A legacy in ruins"	The Herald
Commended:	City Press Staff	"20 Years of Democracy"	City Press
	Angela Daniels, Shenaaz Jamal, Deon van der Walt & Nomazima Nkosi	"Shocking abuse of traffic vehicles"	Weekend Post

CATEGORY 4: FEATURE WRITING

Runners up / Finalists:	Willemien Brümmer	"n Nuwe Lewe vir Thandeka" & "Die Sendeling en sy 'onsigbare' Nama-vrou"	Die Burger
	Ina Skosana	"When Lightening Strikes, it brings pale ailments"	Mail & Guardian (Bhekisisa)
	Hanlie Retief	"Dok se diagnose oor haarself: Uitstekend!"	Rapport
	Mia Malan	"Desperate search for answers to schizophrenia puzzle"	Mail & Guardian (Bhekisisa)
	Carol Paton	"Alternative reality keeps mine workers resolute"	Business Day
	Carolyn Raphaely	"The Measure of a Nation", "Inequality before the law: Oscar Pistorius vs Ronnie Fakude" & "St' Albans Prison: Enter the era of SA's Torture Prosecutions"	Daily Maverick

CATEGORY 5: INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM

Runners up / Finalists:	Jeanne van der Merwe & Charl Blignaut	"SABC Boss lied to Parliament"	City Press
	Paddy Harper & Siphon Masondo	"How SADTU sells Posts"	City Press
	Rowan Philp	"Inside SA's R10 billion cable theft racket"	The Witness
	Bongani Fuzile & Mphumzi Zuzile	"Nelson Mandela Funeral Scandal"	Daily Dispatch

	Stephan Hofstatter, Mzilikazi wa Afrika, Piet Rampedi & Andre Jurgens	“Exposed: How arms dealer bankrolled Zuma”	Sunday Times
	Pieter-Louis Myburgh	“Transnet tender doubts” & “Duurste soustrein!”	Rapport / City Press

CATEGORY 6: EDITORIAL CARTOONS

Runners up / Finalists:	Dr Jack Swanepoel & John Curtis	“Prophetic Flag”	Eye Witness News (EWN)
	Cuan Miles	“Selfie Serving”	Daily Dispatch
	Chip Snaddon & John Curtis	“Marikana Rising”	Eye Witness News (EWN)
Commended:	Themba Siwela	“Rumble in the Jungle”	The Citizen

CATEGORY 7: GRAPHIC JOURNALISM

Runners up / Finalists:	Morne Schaap	“Gogga maak baba bang”	Graphics 24: Die Burger
	Jaco Grobbelaar	“Portfolio”	Graphics 24: Die Burger / City Press
	Cobus Prinsloo	“MH370: die joongste”	Graphics 24: Die Burger / Beeld / Volksblad
	Sithembile Mtolo	“Greening your home”	The Star

CATEGORY 8: POPULAR JOURNALISM

Runners up / Finalists:	Bongani Mdakane & Kgomotso Moganedi	“Senzo a Soccer Cheat”	Sunday Sun
	Ntebatse Masipa	“My Daughter stole my Man”	Daily Sun
	Prince Chauke & Norman Masungwini	“Meet Zuma’s Nyatsi”	Sunday Sun

CATEGORY 9: NEWS PHOTOGRAPHS

Runners up / Finalists:	Alon Skuy	"An ultimate loss" & "#Senzo's dad @ memorial"	Sunday Times
	Simphiwe Nkwali	"Man of the masses"	Sunday Times
	Bongiwe Mchunu	"Extinguisher"	The Star
	Phill Magokoe	"Snot en trane" & "Behind Oscar"	Pretoria News

CATEGORY 10: FEATURE PHOTOGRAPHS

Runner up / Finalist:	Brenton Geach	"Unquestionable Bond"	Cape Times
	James Oatway	"Rhino conflict"	Sunday Times
	Leon Sadiki	"Ingoma"	City Press
	Jay Caboz	"Paddling through sewage and facing guns"	Forbes Life Africa Magazine
	Alon Skuy	"The good old days"	Sunday Times
	Paballo Thekiso	"Life is hell in Syferbult"	Saturday Star
Commended:	Conrad Bornman	"Miracle of birth"	Volksblad

CATEGORY 11: SPORTS PHOTOGRAPHS

Runners up/ Finalists:	Brenton Geach	"The Sky 's the limit"	Cape Times
	Phando Jikelo	"Ajax Hold On – Photo"	Daily Voice
	James Oatway	"This round's mine"	Sunday Times
	Themba Makofane	"Sundowns and Pirates game"	Daily Sun

CATEGORY 12: PRESENTATION

Runners up / Finalists:	Keith Tamkei	"The Dandy Man Can"	Sunday Times Lifestyle
	Christian Stephen	"Portfolio"	Mail & Guardian

	Tanya Harris	"Bringing the dead to life"	The Times
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CATEGORY 13: MULTIPLATFORM

Runners up / Finalists:	eNCA.com Editorial Team	"The Oscar Trial"	ENCA.com
	Celeste Louw & The Team	"Special Project in four parts on farm murders"	Netwerk 24: Beeld / Die Burger / Volksblad / Rapport
Commended:	Estelle Ellis, Dorette de Swardt & Eugene Coetzee	"After the crash"	The Herald

CATEGORY 14: MULTIMEDIA

Runners up / Finalists:	Jurg Slabbert	"Om te Noakes... of Nie"	Die Burger
	Bianca Bothma, Lebo Mashiloane and Anastasya Eliseeva	"Lephalale in Focus"	ENCA.com
	Adrian Ephraim & Demelza Bush	"Nyaope's deadly and addictive mix"	Mail & Guardian

CATEGORY 16: YOUNG JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Runners up / Finalists:	Poppy Louw		The Times
	Sihle Mlambo		Daily News
	Jay Caboz		Forbes Life Africa Magazine
	Alaister Russell		The Citizen

To be announced at the awards ceremony:

CATEGORY 15: SA STORY OF THE YEAR

CATEGORY 17: NEWSPAPER JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

CATEGORY 18: ALLAN KIRKLAND SOGA LIFETIME ACHIEVER AWARD

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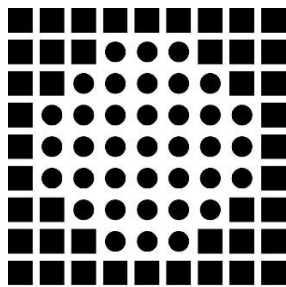
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