



THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS & SCIENCES BOSTON/NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER HONORS BROADCASTING LEGENDS IN THE 2021 GOLD & SILVER CIRCLE AWARDS

Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 7:00PM EST

1 Gold Circle Inductee; 5 Silver Circle Inductees

BOSTON, MA – October 20, 2021 - [The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences \(NATAS\) Boston/New England Chapter](#) is proud to announce the 2021 inductees selected for the prestigious **Gold & Silver Circle Awards**.

Established in 1993, the Silver Circle Award honors television professionals for twenty-five or more years of service to the television industry. The Gold Circle Award honors television professionals for fifty years or more of service in the television industry.

The Boston/New England Chapter has honored 160 industry professionals who have made significant contributions to television, the Academy, their community and to people training for careers in television. Honoring broadcast excellence and community commitment, these New England television pioneers will join an array of illustrious talents who have set industry standards with a strong commitment to their craft.

“The Boston New England Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences is proud and excited to induct this inspirational group of media professionals into the Gold and Silver Circle,” said Danielle Mannion, President of the NATAS Boston/New England Chapter. “These individuals have made tremendous contributions to the New England media industry, journalism and humanitarianism, as well as to their communities. We are honored to induct each of them into the Gold & Silver Circle.”

The 2021 Gold Circle Inductee:

Harvey Leonard: Chief Meteorologist: WCVB, NewsCenter 5 (MA)

The 2021 Silver Circle inductees:

Ellen Boyce: Editor: WCVB, *Chronicle* (MA)

Jack Harper: Reporter (Retired): WCVB, NewsCenter 5 (MA)

Marc Rhinehart: Studio Director: WGBY Springfield (MA)

Phil Vaughn: Executive Producer, PBS (NH)

David Zapatka: Photographer: Freelance (RI)

These pioneers will be inducted at a virtual Gala Ceremony with their family and peers, on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 7:00PM EST. Viewers are able to watch online at NewEnglandEmmy.org and via the Academy's Boston/New England social and digital platforms including [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) & [Twitter](#).

The Boston/New England Chapter of NATAS is grateful to Subaru of New England and Ernie Boch, Jr., who has generously supported The Gold & Silver Circle Awards and the Emmy® Awards for many years.

About NATAS: Boston/New England

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences is dedicated to the advancement of the arts and sciences of television, the fostering of creative leadership in the television industry, and the encouragement of excellence in artistic, educational, cultural and technical progress.

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