THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS & SCIENCES NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER, 2025 GOLD AND SILVER CIRCLE AWARDS - HONORING BROADCASTING LEGENDS.

Ceremony held on Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 11:30AM

1 Gold Circle Inductee; 7 Silver Circle Inductees

BOSTON, MA – October 7, 2025 - The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) Boston/New England Chapter is proud to announce the 2025 inductees selected for the prestigious *Gold and Silver Circle* Awards.

Established in 1993, the circle recognizes those in a television station, cable channel, or production house who have been reliable, valued, contributors and mentors.

The *Gold* Circle is an honor society within our chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences for those with 50+ years working in pursuit of our profession's highest and most noble goals.

The *Silver Circle* is a special recognition to honor veteran television professionals who have made significant contributions to their community, the television industry, and to individuals training for careers in the field of television for 25 years or longer.

"This remarkable group represents the very best of what television can achieve," said Kathryn Shehade, President of The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences - New England Chapter. "Their impact extends far beyond exceptional storytelling; it is reflected in their dedication to community, their commitment to uplifting others, and their mentorship of future generations. It is a privilege and an honor to celebrate each of these outstanding champions and to applaud their enduring excellence."

The 2025 *Gold Circle Honoree:

- Rebecca Eaton: Executive Producer, PBS Masterpiece - WGBH Boston, MA

The 2025 *Silver Circle Honorees:

- Lisa "Boomer" Bumbaca-O'Brien: Director, WBZ-TV 4 Boston, MA
- Ro Dooley Webster: Director of Programming, WCVB-TV 5 MA + WMUR, NH
- Cindy Fitzgibbon: Chief Meteorologist, WCVB-TV StormTeam 5, MA
- Mario Hilario: News Anchor, WJAR NBC10, RI
- Mark Ockerbloom: Evening News Anchor, WFXT-TV Boston 25 News, MA
- Carol Sisco: VP + Executive Director of Programming, CT Public Television
- Rodney Verrill: Director of Engineer + Operations, Husson University, ME

The 2025 honorees will be inducted during the Chapter's *Gold and Silver Circle* ceremony with their families and peers at a luncheon on Thursday, December 11, at 11:30 AM at Granite Links Golf Club in Quincy, Massachusetts.

The Boston/New England Chapter has inducted over 180 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 broadcast leaders who have set industry standards.

You can find more information about the Silver Circle Awards here.

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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