

ABC leads the way in Walkley nominations

The ABC has received 26 nominations in the 2018 Walkley Awards for Excellence in Journalism, more than any other media organisation.

The ABC has been nominated for awards in 17 categories, exemplifying our unrivalled commitment to quality journalism across television, radio and digital services. Among the ABC's finalists are news reports, investigations and features on *Four Corners, 7.30, Foreign Correspondent, AM, Australian Story, triple j Hack, Background Briefing, Lateline* and ABC News Online.

David Anderson, ABC Acting Managing Director, said: "Congratulations to the ABC's many finalists in this year's Walkley Awards. The ABC has received more nominations than any other media organisation, underscoring our unrivalled commitment to quality, independent, public interest journalism.

"The invaluable work of our journalists and crews has sparked change across so many areas of Australian life and brought news from across the world. My thanks and congratulations to all ABC journalists for exemplifying our commitment to informing and educating the Australian public every day."

The ABC's Walkley Awards finalists span categories such as public service journalism, innovation, coverage of Indigenous affairs, coverage of community or regional affairs, radio news and current affairs, radio features, production, photography, coverage of major news events, television camerawork, television news reporting, television current affairs, commentary, documentaries and books.

The 2018 Walkley Awards winners will be announced on 22 November in Brisbane.

The full list of the ABC's Walkley Awards finalists:

PRINT/TEXT NEWS REPORT

• Kate McClymont, Lorna Knowles, Tracey Spicer and Alison Branley, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, "Don Burke Investigation"

PUBLIC SERVICE JOURNALISM

- Belinda Hawkins and Sarah Farnsworth, Australian Story, ABC TV, "The Justice Principle"
- Louise Milligan, Sashka Koloff, Mary Fallon and Lucy Carter, Four Corners, ABC TV, "LAm That Girl"

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INNOVATION

Nathan Bazley, Luke Gibbs, Matt Holbrook and Daniel Mee, ABC, "Kokoda VR"

COVERAGE OF INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

Allan Clarke and Yale Macgillivray, ABC, "<u>Unravel: Blood on the Tracks</u>"

COVERAGE OF COMMUNITY OR REGIONAL AFFAIRS

• Giselle Wakatama, ABC, "Home of Horrors"

RADIO/AUDIO NEWS AND CURRENT AFFAIRS

- Jane Bardon, AM, ABC Radio National Breakfast, ABC News Online, "Indigenous families appeal to NT Government to keep young people out of detention", "NT child protection workers allege unmanageable workloads putting vulnerable at risk" and "Tennant Creek night patrols begin to have effect"
- Ange McCormack, Karla Arnall and Philippa McDonald, Triple J Hack, ABC, "Disturbing' privacy breach revealed: Over 1,000 NSW Health medical records abandoned in derelict building"
- Sally Sara, ABC Radio, "Going Back"

RADIO/AUDIO FEATURE

• Hagar Cohen and Team Background Briefing, Background Briefing, ABC Radio National, "Fentanyl: A national emergency"

PRODUCTION

- ABC News Interactive Digital Storytelling, ABC News Online, "Into The Cave"
- Four Corners Production Team, Four Corners, ABC TV, "LAm That Girl"

COVERAGE OF A MAJOR NEWS EVENT OR ISSUE

 Paige Taylor, Natasha Robinson, Jacquelin Magnay and Chris Merritt, ABC, The Australian and The Weekend Australian, "Captain Dragan"

TELEVISION/VIDEO: CAMERAWORK

- Matthew Davis, Foreign Correspondent, ABC, "On Top Of The World"
- Aaron Hollett, Four Corners, ABC, "City of Ghosts"
- Ginny Stein, Lateline, ABC "The Duterte Solution"



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TELEVISION/VIDEO: NEWS REPORTING

 Alexandra Blucher and Mark Willacy, ABC 7pm News, ABC TV, "Corruption concerns at one of Australia's biggest councils"

TELEVISION/VIDEO CURRENT AFFAIRS SHORT (LESS THAN 20 MINUTES)

- Hagar Cohen and Nikki Tugwell, 7.30, ABC TV, "Fentanyl abuse series"
- Lorna Knowles, Kate McClymont, Jo Puccini, Alison Branley and ABC and Fairfax Team, 7.30, ABC TV, "Women claim Don Burke sexually harassed them" and "More people come forward with accounts of dealing with Don Burke"

TELEVISION/VIDEO CURRENT AFFAIRS LONG (MORE THAN 20 MINUTES)

- Stephen Long and Wayne Harley, Four Corners, ABC TV, "Digging into Adani"
- Louise Milligan, Sashka Koloff, Mary Fallon and Lucy Carter, Four Corners, ABC TV, "I Am That Girl"
- Mark Willacy and Four Corners Team, Four Corners, ABC TV, "Out of the Dark"

COMMENTARY, ANALYSIS, OPINION AND CRITIQUE

• Julia Baird, ABC, The Sydney Morning Herald and The New York Times, "When women speak: The importance of female voices in the era of #MeToo"

WALKLEY DOCUMENTARY AWARD SHORTLIST

• <u>Trump/Russia</u>, Four Corners Trump/Russia team, Four Corners, ABC TV

WALKLEY BOOK AWARD LONGLIST

• Rachael Brown, Trace: Who Killed Maria James?, Scribe Publications

NIKON-WALKLEY PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR

• Matthew Abbott, The New York Times, Oculi, ABC and The Australian

The list of all finalists for the 2018 Walkley Awards finalists is available here.

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