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Congratulations Lara Logan

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Lara Logan, 60 MINUTES correspondent
Recipient of the 2011 Daniel Pearl Award

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PROFILES



Daniel Pearl Award: Lara Logan

Driven by an insatiable desire to constantly improve and affect the world around us, Logan began her journalism career when she was a 17-year-old schoolgirl in South Africa. As a teenager compelled to expose the atrocities of the Apartheid regime in her country, Logan discovered her passion for seeking truth and justice in an increasingly connected globe. Since her days as a young newspaper reporter in South Africa, Logan has gone on to confront the harsh and dangerous realities of war, conflict and global change. She joined CBS in 2002 as a correspondent and a contributor to *60 Minutes II* and correspondent for *60 Minutes*. She is currently CBS News Chief Foreign Affairs Correspondent. Her reporting has brought her face-to-face with the day's most diverse, relevant and intriguing issues. Logan has been lauded for her coverage of wars in the Middle East and Afghanistan and is the recipient of numerous awards. She is CJA's 10th journalist to receive this honor.



Lifetime Achievement Award: Stella Foster

Stella Foster's column, published in the *Chicago Sun-Times*, reflects both her high-energy personality and her dedication to her native Chicago. Raised in the Englewood community, Foster grew up wanting to give voice to the people great and small whose lives make Chicago so dynamic and unforgettable. She worked for a brief period at *Sister 2 Sister*, a national entertainment magazine founded by her sister, Jamie Foster Brown, and brother-in-law. In 1969, Brown told her that the legendary Irv Kupcinet was looking for a new secretary. Stella Foster interviewed for the position, was hired and for the next 34 years was Kup's assistant, confidante, organizer, proxy and, in short, the glue that kept "Kup's Column" alive and vibrant. She began "Stella's Column" shortly after Kup's death in 2003 and continues to inform, entertain and challenge readers as well as her audience beyond the newspaper.



Chicago Journalist of the Year: Howard Reich

Howard Reich has been a *Tribune* arts critic and writer since 1983, although his articles on music began appearing in the newspaper six years earlier. He wrote, produced and narrated a documentary film, *Prisoner of Her Past*, inspired by his book on his mother's hidden Holocaust past. It is currently touring the world and can be seen nationally through 2011. He has also written investigative reports, including articles on the systematic theft of royalties from jazz composer Jelly Morton. He is a longtime correspondent for *Downbeat* magazine and is married to Pam Becker, a *Tribune* editor.



Mary Schmich

CJA Dale Messick (Brenda Starr) Award: Mary Schmich and June Brigman

Mary Schmich is a columnist for the *Chicago Tribune*, where she has also worked as a feature writer and national correspondent. She wrote the *Brenda Starr* comic strip for 25 years but gave it up to spend time learning mandolin. She has been a Pulitzer Prize finalist twice, most recently in 2011 in the Commentary category; coincidentally, she has been judged winner of that category in this year's Sarah Brown Boyden Awards. Raised in Georgia, Schmich has lived in several different states and in France.



June Brigman

June Brigman has been for 25 years a comic artist and is co-creator and penciler of the comic book series *Power Pack*. She also drew various other Marvel books including *X-Men*, *Spider Man* and *Barbie*. Among her other major achievements are illustrations for a series of *Star Wars* novels.

For the past 15 years she was the artist for the nationally syndicated *Brenda Starr* comic strip. Brigman is currently a Professor of Sequential Art at the Atlanta campus of the Savannah College of Art and Design.

PROGRAM

Welcome

Co-Emcees Karen Jordan, ABC-TV
Christian Farr, NBC-TV

National Anthem

Jimmy Damon

Invocation

Rev. Monsignor Kenneth Velo
Senior Executive for Catholic Collaboration
DePaul University

Sarah Brown Boyden Awards Winner of \$1,000 'Best of Best'

Karen Jordan and Christian Farr

Presentation of CJA scholarships

Karen Petite, President, CJA Charitable Fund
Paul McGrath, CJA Vice-President

DINNER

In Memorium: A tribute to journalists who lost their lives

Karen Jordan and Christian Farr

"Amazing Grace"

Yvanna Reyes
VanderCook College of Music

Commentary

Allen Rafalson, CJA President

CJA Dale Messick Award Mary Schmich and June Brigman

Karen Jordan

Chicago Journalist of the Year Howard Reich

Susan Nelson, CJA Secretary

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Jamie Foster Brown, *Sister 2 Sister Magazine*

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Lara Logan in Afghanistan with Gen. David Petraeus. Speaking candidly with audiences, Logan shares her experiences reporting from the front lines, both as a journalist and as a citizen.

IN THE BEGINNING

Working journalists of any period who gather, write, edit and illustrate the news of the day forge unique, often life-long, bonds. The saying “Once a newspaperman, always a newspaperman” stems from these common experiences.

It was out of this spirit that our organization was born. Its founders first met as young reporters who covered the World’s Columbian Exposition in 1893. They held a reunion forty years later, in 1933, in conjunction with the Chicago World’s Fair. Sports reporter Joseph C. Davis came up with the idea of establishing an association with a base of members that would include veteran journalists. The first of many annual Chicago Press Veterans Association dinners was held in December 1939.

The turn of the 21st century brought with it new challenges and renewed vigor. The Chicago Press Veterans Association was renamed the Chicago Journalists Association in order to include current as well as veteran journalists who want to recognize high standards of professional achievement and cooperate with other like-minded organizations.

CJA annually recognizes journalistic excellence with its Chicago Journalist of the Year and Sarah Brown Boyden awards as well with as the Daniel Pearl Award, in recognition of the high journalistic standards he showed while reporting for the *Wall Street Journal*, and a Lifetime Achievement Award. Its nonprofit CJA Charitable Fund presents annual scholarships to promising high school and college students who seek careers in journalism. CJA has reciprocity agreements with the Washington Press Club and the Philippine National Press Club-USA. CJA members have participated in mentoring programs for high school and college students. You may learn more at Chicagojournalists.org.

SARAH BROWN BOYDEN AWARD WINNERS

During the end of the mid-1930s, the late Sarah Brown Boyden became one of the first women reporters at the *Chicago Daily News*, moving later to the *Chicago Sun* and the *American*. Shortly after her death in 1989, her family established a fund in her honor with our organization. After reviewing a record number of entries this year, our judges selected winners for work cited in the following categories:

Photography	John J. Kim, <i>Chicago Sun-Times</i> “Back to Square One”
Business	Francine Knowles, Kim Janssen, Sandra Guy and Mary Wisniewski, <i>Chicago Sun-Times</i> A compelling story about the impact of the Great Recession on Chicagoans
Online Journalism	Roger Ebert, <i>Chicago Sun-Times</i> A blog that shows the remarkable depth and breadth of his interests
Features	Robert Wildeboer, WBEZ-FM/Chicago Public Radio An unforgettable interview with a drug dealer
Commentary	Mary Schmich, <i>Chicago Tribune</i> Knowledgeable, perceptive and incisive commentaries
Sports	Dan Pompei, <i>Chicago Tribune</i> A highly detailed chronology surrounding the death of former Chicago Bear Dave Duerson
Spot News	Joel Hood, Annie Sweeney and Stacy St. Clair <i>Chicago Tribune</i> Coverage of a fire that killed two firefighters and injured others
Science	Patricia Callahan and Trine Tsouderos, <i>Chicago Tribune</i> Revelations about how quackery is thriving in modern medicine
Health	Sam Roe and Jared S. Hopkins, <i>Chicago Tribune</i> Coverage of a nursing home tragedy
Editorials	Editorial page staff, <i>Chicago Sun-Times</i> A clear, consistent presence regarding significant issues
Investigative	Michael Hawthorne, <i>Chicago Tribune</i> An article on lung-damaging diesel soot inside Metra cars
Best Series	Sharon Cohen, The Associated Press Work that focused greater attention on immigration issues
Best of Best	Frank Main, Mark Konkol and John J. Kim win the \$1,000 award for their public service entry, “The ‘No-Snitch Code,’” <i>Chicago Sun-Times</i>

Entries judged by the Journalism Faculty, Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Oklahoma.