



## **2015 Annual Southeast Regional EMMY® Awards Winners Announced** *Over 100 Awards Handed Out to Industry Veterans*

**ATLANTA** – The [National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences \(NATAS\) Southeast Chapter](#) recently announced the 2015 winners at the [41<sup>st</sup> Annual Southeast Regional EMMY® Award Gala](#), which took place Saturday, June 6th at the Grand Hyatt Buckhead in Atlanta.

NATAS Southeast handed out 101 awards in 87 different categories. Top winners included WXIA with 26 awards, WSB with 9 awards including best daily newscast, and Georgia Public Broadcasting with 18 awards including overall excellence. Multiple individual winners included: WXIA’s Matt Pearl, Brendan Keefe and Jaye Watson, WGCL’s Adam Murphy and WKTB’s Homero Gonzalez. For a complete list of winners, please visit [www.southeastemmy.com](http://www.southeastemmy.com).

“Selecting winners from our hundreds of entries is always a challenge and this year was no different,” said Myrna Brown of WSB-TV, Channel 2 and president of NATAS Southeast. “Our region has such a wealth of talent. Bringing everyone together for this special event honors the best in the business while motivating the next generation of media professionals.”

Categories for the 2015 Southeast Regional EMMY® Awards included: overall excellence, best newscast, documentaries, special assignments, breaking news, sports coverage, investigative reporting, on-camera talent and a new category added this year, journalistic enterprise. To be eligible, entries must have been distributed to the general public via broadcast, cablecast, or broadband by a television station, a cable company, satellite, internet or similar distribution system during the 2014 calendar year.

The 2015 Southeast Regional EMMY® Awards were presented by [The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences \(NATAS\) Southeast Chapter](#) and the Award Gala was emceed by NBC Correspondent Kerry Sanders.

Also honored, Ian Feinberg received the 2015 Governor’s Award for his career in broadcasting and media. This award recognizes individuals for their outstanding achievement in the arts, sciences or management of television or allied media. Ian has worked at several Atlanta news affiliates, filming commercial projects across the United States, and has served on the NATAS board for more than a decade. He is currently the lead instructor for the television production program at Chattahoochee Technical College and is responsible for producing the video coverage of the annual Southeast Regional EMMY® Awards.

To view photos from this year's event please visit [www.southeastemmy.com](http://www.southeastemmy.com).

**ABOUT THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND SCIENCES:**

[The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences](http://www.natascience.org) (NATAS) is a professional organization dedicated to the advancement of the arts and sciences of television and the promotion of creative leadership for artistic, educational and technical achievements within the media industry, best known for the coveted Emmy® Award. NATAS has 19 chapters throughout the United States identifying and celebrating television excellence at the local and regional level. The primary focus of the organization's Southeast chapter is the annual Southeast EMMY® Awards celebrating excellence in media. NATAS Southeast serves members in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina and Asheville, N.C. For more information, visit [www.southeastemmy.com](http://www.southeastemmy.com), like us on Facebook at Southeast Emmys, or follow us on Twitter @SoutheastEmmy.

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