



**THE NEW YORK EMMY®
TRADITION CONTINUES VIA A LIVESTREAM OF
THE 64th ANNUAL NEW YORK EMMY AWARDS
ON OCTOBER 30th, 2021 AT 7 PM EDT**

***9/11 Filmmakers Jules Naudet, Gédéon Naudet, and James Hanlon
to be honored with the Governors' Award
Dr. Anthony Fauci to be presented with first-ever President's Award
and Featuring a Performance by the Radio City Rockettes®***

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New York, NY, October 26, 2021 – The 64th Annual New York Emmy Awards will be presented by The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, New York Chapter in a livestream awards presentation on Saturday, October 30, 2021 at 7 PM EDT. The awards presentation will be streaming online on the New York Emmy Awards website www.nyemmys.org, The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) site Watch.TheEmmys.TV, on Facebook Live at [@NYEmmyAwards](https://www.facebook.com/NYEmmyAwards), and on YouTube.

Following last year's acclaimed livestream, which blazed the trail for the pandemic-era awards shows, the New York Emmys will be presented entirely online by distinguished media figures in multiple, iconic locations across 400 miles. Yet again, viewers will have a front row seat as we honor excellence in the regional media industry while encouraging nominees to engage via their social media platforms and teleconferencing in real time.

"2020 was an extraordinary year, with unprecedented challenges for our industry," said New York Chapter President and veteran WABC-TV correspondent, N. J. Burkett. "But New York's media community met those challenges and the result is some of the finest work our judges have ever seen. It's no coincidence that we have 793 nominees this year and we will award more Emmys on Saturday night than at any time in the history of our Academy."

"The New York Emmy Awards have been handed out every year since 1957," Burkett said. "But COVID-19 protocols on large indoor gatherings in New York have made in-person events such as ours practically impossible for a second straight year. So we will honor our proud, 64-year tradition in a livestream awards presentation."

The New York Chapter has added two marquee categories, *Overall Excellence* and *News Excellence*, to honor outstanding contributions by a media institution and a news organization, respectively.

“These honorees provided continuity, comfort, and critical information when viewers needed it most,” said Adam Sharp, President & CEO of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences. “The esteemed Governors’ and President’s awardees each further reflect the resiliency of our region in times of great challenge — a spirit reflected by the Chapter itself, being among the first to produce a virtual ceremony last year and to adapt in response to the Delta variant now in 2021.”

Burkett will once again host the livestream event—this year, from the middle of the Brooklyn Bridge. The Academy has expanded its signature format, with presenters opening envelopes in a variety of scenic and historically significant locations from **Niagara Falls** to **Times Square**, **Grand Central Terminal** and **Madison Square Garden**. Other locations include **Old Westbury Gardens on Long Island**, **Domino Park on the Brooklyn waterfront** and **Fort Lee, New Jersey**.

Joining Burkett, and similarly attired in formal wear, will be **Virginia Huie**, Reporter, News 12 Long Island; **Jessica Moore**, Anchor/Reporter, WCBS-TV; **Jacquie Walker**, News Anchor, WIVB-TV Buffalo, **Errol Louis**, Political Anchor, Spectrum News NY1, **Jenna Flanagan**, Host, *MetroFocus*, The WNET Group, **Verónica Contreras**, Sports Anchor, Telemundo 47/WNJU, **Faith Jessie**, Anchor, Newsday, **Rebecca Haarlow**, Sports Reporter, MSG Networks, and **Marvin Scott**, Senior Correspondent, WPIX-TV, and Awards Committee Chair. There will also be special appearances by the **Radio City Rockettes**, **The Northwell Health Nurse Choir**, and **Sandra Lindsay, Critical Care Nurse Manager**—the first person in the United States to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

In the 20th anniversary year of the September 11th attacks, the Academy’s Board of Governors will honor filmmakers **Jules Naudet**, **Gédéon Naudet**, and **James Hanlon** with the Governors’ Award, its highest honor. The men were shooting a documentary with the New York City Fire Department and were among the very first to respond to the World Trade Center on 9/11. “It’s because of their fearless determination,” said Burkett, “that the horror and the heroism of 9/11 are still so deeply felt, two decades later.”

Recognizing the profound impact of the pandemic on New York’s media industry, the Academy’s Board of Governors resolved this year to honor **Dr. Anthony Fauci** and, in so doing, to establish the New York Chapter President’s Award. “This first-ever citation,” said Burkett, “will recognize his extraordinary contributions to public health by virtue of our industry and with the gratitude of Dr. Fauci’s hometown.”

In his acceptance speech, Dr. Fauci thanked the New York Chapter and the Board of Governors for this wonderful honor. And added, “This award is especially meaningful to me because like you, I share a deep love for New York City.”

"We're hoping our Emmy nominees will organize Zoom and BlueJeans watch parties to celebrate with colleagues, friends, and family," Burkett said. "Tuxedos and ball gowns are optional, but encouraged, along with a champagne toast to celebrate." Viewers are encouraged to use the hashtag #NYEmmys2021 when posting on social media.

The webcast will be livestreamed at NYEmmys.org, Watch.TheEmmys.TV, on Facebook Live at [@NYEmmyAwards](https://www.facebook.com/NYEmmyAwards), and YouTube at 7 PM EDT. In addition, it can also be viewed via The Emmys® apps for iOS, tvOS, Android, FireTV, Roku and Samsung TV (full list at apps.theemmys.tv). Emmy Award nominees, family, friends, industry colleagues and the general public are all invited to celebrate the finest work of the past year. On Sunday October 31st, the entire program will be posted on NYEmmys.org along with a detailed list of all recipients and team members.

For additional information, please visit www.nyemmys.org.

The New York Chapter of The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, founded in November 1955, is the preeminent membership organization serving all media professionals in the television industry, offering career enhancing events and networking opportunities. NY NATAS fosters creativity and inspires artistic and technical excellence through the renowned Emmy® Award, the most prestigious honor and most coveted peer-recognition symbol of distinction in television.

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