



2021 NZ Radio Awards Finalists

Best Content

Best Content Director / Content Team

Finalists		
Caitlin Cherry		RNZ National
Matt Anderson, Amy Tempero, Christian Boston		More FM Network
Will Maisey, Kris Edwards, Christian Boston		The Breeze Network
Jason Winstanley, Edward Swift		Newstalk ZB Network

Best Entertainment Podcast

Finalists		
The Agenda	Matt Heath, Mike Lane, James McOnie, Jeremy Wells, Joseph Shuker, Joseph Durie	NZME / The ACC
Black Sheep	William Ray, Tim Watkin, William Saunders	RNZ National
The Self Love Club with Bel Crawford	Bel Crawford, Nick Baldwin	NZME / iHeartRadio

Best News/Current Affairs Podcast

Finalists		
The Service	John Daniell, Guyon Espiner, William Ray, Tim Watkin, Veronica Schmidt, Adrian Hollay	RNZ National
The Detail	Emile Donovan, Sharon Brett Kelly, Alexia Russell, Jessie Chiang, Jeremy Ansell, Blair Stagpoole, Rangil Powick, Adrian Hollay, Mark Jennings, Tim Watkin	RNZ National
The Unthinkable	Susie Ferguson, William Saunders, Liz Garton, Tim Watkin	RNZ National

Best Show Producer/Team - Music Show

Finalists		
Ben Humphrey, Juliet Wrathall, Heidi Roberts, Max Middleton	The Hits Breakfast with Jono & Ben	The Hits Network
Troy Scott	Steve & Kath	The Breeze Wellington
Anna Henvest, Sarah Mount, Jared Pickstock	ZM's Fletch, Vaughan & Megan	ZM Network

Best Show Producer/Team - Talk Show

Finalists		
Laura Beattie	Heather du Plessis-Allan Drive	Newstalk ZB Network
Dan Goodwin	Marcus Lush Nights	Newstalk ZB Network
Annabel Reid, Bridget Burke, Lydia Batham, Pip Keane	Checkpoint	RNZ National

Best Station Imaging

Finalists		
Joe Baxendale, Reagan White		The Rock Network
Josh Wood, Mel Dooley		More FM Network
Alistair Cockburn, Brynnee Wilson		ZM Network

Best Station Trailer

Finalists		
ZM's \$100k Secret Sound	Alistair Cockburn, Claire Chellew, Richie Simpson, Tom Harper, Gary Pointon	ZM Network
Flava Relaunch	Alistair Cockburn, Storme Hitau, Astley Nathan, Brad Watson, Ross Flahive	Flava Network
ZM's Best of the Last Decade	Brynnee Wilson, Richie Simpson, Claire Chellew, Tom Harper	ZM Network

Best Video

Finalists		
Ryan's Pepeha	Aaron Ly, Nikora Price, Ryan Foster, Sidney Collett, Heemi Kapa-Kingi	Mai FM Network
NZ Hip Hop Stand Up	Chris Graham, Nigel McCulloch, Alice Murray, Tim Burnell, Kay Ellmers	RNZ National
Take it Easy Aotearoa	Ricky Bannister, Sharyn Casey, Jayden King, Dan Webby, Grant Brodie, Casey Sullivan	The Edge Network
Rock Drive with Jay and Dunc 'Poo Towns 100'	Jeremy Pickford, Jay Reeve, Duncan Heyde, Jack Honeybone	The Rock Network

'The Blackie Award'

Finalists		
The Trump Prank	Jono Pryor, Ben Boyce, Ben Humphrey, Juliet Wrathall, Heidi Roberts, Max Middleton, Aaron Watkinson, Todd Campbell	The Hits Network
Poo Towns 100	Jeremy Pickford, Jay Reeve, Duncan Heyde, Jack Honeybone	The Rock Network
The Siri Prank	Jono Pryor, Ben Boyce, Ben Humphrey, Juliet Wrathall, Heidi Roberts, Max Middleton, Aaron Watkinson, Todd Campbell	The Hits Network

Best Programmes

Best Access Radio Programme

Finalists		
Namaste Nepal	Binod Parajuli	Plains FM
It's Getting Hot in Here	Laura Gartner, Tanya Didham, Victoria Harwood, Sheldon Murtha	Plains FM
The C Word	Helen King	Planet FM

Best Children's Programme

Finalists		
What Will I Be Today?	Marie Silberstein, Jane Waddell, Victor Rodger, Renee Liang, Steph Matuku, Kyle Mewburn, Kay Ellmers, Adam Macaulay, Tim Burnell	RNZ National
The Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show	Grace Bucknell, Phil Yule, Bjorn Brickell, Leanna Cooper, Daryl Habraken, Eden Bloore, Chris Newbold, Elesha Gordon, Julia Bloore, Josh Couch, Petra Bagust	Christian Broadcasters Assn / NZME
Everybody Wants to Join the Fleabite Band	Robin Nathan, Shannon Williams	FleaBITE
Nanogirl's Great Science Adventures	Michelle Dickinson, Sophie Fern, Rangil Powick, Liz Garton, Kate Sparks, Jocelyn Bunch, Tim Watkin	RNZ National

Best Daily or Weekly Feature - Factual

Finalists		
Are We There Yet?	Katy Gosset	RNZ National
Country Life	Carol Stiles, Sally Round, Cosmo Kentish-Barnes, Duncan Smith, David Knowles	RNZ National
Black Sheep	William Ray, Tim Watkin, William Saunders	RNZ National
MediaWatch	Colin Peacock, Hayden Donnell	RNZ National

Best Documentary or Factual Talk Feature

Finalists		
Voices from Antarctica	Alison Ballance, Phil Bengel, William Saunders	RNZ National
The Service	John Daniell, Guyon Espiner, William Ray, Tim Watkin, Veronica Schmidt, Adrian Hollay	RNZ National
Widows of Shuhada	Lana Hart, Nicki Reece, Asha Abdi, Jumayah Jones, Asma Azhar, Janneth Gil	RNZ & Plains FM

Best Music Feature

Finalists		
Coca-Cola Christmas on The Breeze	Will Maisey, Kris Edwards, Braydon Priest	The Breeze Network
Poo Towns	Jeremy Pickford, Jay Reeve, Duncan Heyde, Jack Honeybone, Raynor Perreau, Joe Baxendale, Grant Brodie	The Rock Network
Rocktober 2020	Mike Lane, Greg Prebble, Joseph Durie, Tom Harper, Claire Chellew, Jacki Polkinghome	Radio Hauraki Network

Best Hosts		
Best Breakfast Show - Music Network		
Finalists		
The Morning Rumble	Roger Farrelly, Andrew Mulligan, Bryce Casey, Ryan Maguire, Guy Mansell, Mel Abbot	The Rock Network
Dom, Meg and Randell	Dom Harvey, Meg Mansell, Clint Randell, Hamish Phipps, Alex Mullin	The Edge Network
ZM's Fletch, Vaughan & Megan	Carl Fletcher, Vaughan Smith, Megan Papas, Anna Henvest, Sarah Mount, Jared Pickstock	ZM Network
Best Host - Music Network		
Finalists		
Steph Monks	The Edge Workday	The Edge Network
Robert Scott	The Breeze Network Drive Show	The Breeze Network
Jen Bainbridge	The Rock Workday	The Rock Network
Best Team Show - Music Network		
Finalists		
Rock Drive with Jay and Dunc	Jay Reeve, Duncan Heyde, Jeremy Pickford, Jack Honeybone	The Rock Network
ZM's Bree & Clint	Bree Tomasel, Clint Roberts, Ben McDowell, Anastasia Loeffen, Ellie Harwood	ZM Network
Jay-Jay & Flynny	Jay-Jay Feeneey, Paul Flynn, Dave Rybinski, George Smith, Matt Anderson, Christian Boston	More FM Network
Best Music Breakfast Show - Local		
Finalists		
John, Flash and Toast	John Markby, Angela Gordon, Tauha Tekani, Tarsh Ieremia, Dean Mgovern, Erena Miller	More FM Northland
Robert & Jeanette	Robert Rakete, Jeanette Thomas, Tania Burgess, Will Maisey	The Breeze Auckland
Cal & P	Callum Procter, Patrina Roche	The Hits Dunedin
Best Music Host - Local		
Finalists		
Amber Russell		More FM Canterbury
Sue White		The Breeze Canterbury
Will Johnston		The Hits Bay Of Plenty
Best Music Host or Team - Non Surveyed Market		
Finalists		
Ocean Ford Breakfast	Jack Van Der Heyden, Carlos Hunia	Sun FM
Breakfast with Brent & Jacque		More FM Rodney
The Andrew Lelataua Breakfast Show		More FM Taupo
Best Talk Presenter - Breakfast or Drive		
Finalists		
Mike Hosking	The Mike Hosking Breakfast	Newstalk ZB Network
Lisa Owen	Checkpoint	RNZ National
Heather du Plessis-Allan	Heather du Plessis-Allan Drive	Newstalk ZB Network
Best Talk Presenter - Other		
Finalists		
Kathryn Ryan	Nine to Noon	RNZ National
Marcus Lush	Marcus Lush Nights	Newstalk ZB Network
Kim Hill	Saturday Morning	RNZ National
Best New Broadcaster		
Best New Broadcaster - Journalist		
Finalists		
Charlotte Cook		RNZ National
Katie Todd		RNZ National
Aaron Dahmen		Newstalk ZB
Best New Broadcaster - Off-Air		
Finalists		
Dayna Ruka		MagicTalk Network
Steph Walsh		NZME Wellington
Alex Lansdown		The Hits Network
Lachie Oliver-Kerby		NZME
Best New Broadcaster - On-Air		
Finalists		
Connor Kitto		NZME Otago
Matthew Pledger		MediaWorks
Randy Sjafrie		Mai FM Network
Jayden King		The Edge Network
The Johnny Douglas Award		
Finalists		
Joel Harrison		ZM Network & Static 88.1
Cara Botica		Static 88.1
Emma Duffy		MediaWorks Northland
Best News & Sport		
Best News or Sports Journalist		
Finalists		
Eva Corlett		RNZ National
Guyon Espiner		RNZ National
Barry Soper		Newstalk ZB Network
Best News Story - Team Coverage		
Finalists		
Election 2020	Newstalk ZB Team	Newstalk ZB
Checkpoint Covid Lockdown Special	Pip Keane, Bridget Burke, Lisa Owen, Calvin Samuel, Annabel Reid, Lydia Batham, Nita Blake-Persen, Nick Truebridge, Logan Church, Louise Tearmouth, Susana Lei'ataua	RNZ National
Whakaari/White Island Anniversary	Sarah Robson, Jean Bell, Charlotte Cook, Te Aniwa Hurihanganui, Dom Thomas	RNZ National
Mosque Shooter Sentencing	Belinda McCammon, Conan Young, Tim Brown, Logan Church, Nathan McKinnon, Eleisha Foon, Anan Zaki, Rachel Graham, Katie Todd, Anneke Smith	RNZ National
Best Newsreader		
Finalists		
Niva Retimanu		Newstalk ZB Network
Nicola Wright		RNZ National
Raylene Ramsay		Newstalk ZB Network
Best Sports Reader, Presenter or Commentator		
Finalists		
Elliott Smith		Newstalk ZB Network
The Alternative Commentary Collective	Mike Lane, Jeremy Wells, Matt Heath, James McOnie, Jason Hoyte, Mike Minogue, Manaia Stewart, Chris Key, Ben Hurley, Paul Ford, Dylan Cleaver, Leigh Hart, Joseph Durie, Joseph Shuker, Tom Harper, Claire Chellev	NZME / The ACC / iHeart Radio
Martin Devlin	The Devlin Radio Show	Newstalk ZB Network
Best Sports Story - Team Coverage		
Finalists		
The America's Cup World Series Auckland	Peter Montgomery, Chris Steele, Louis Herman-Watt, Andy McDonnell, Andy Duff, Gareth Lischner, Newstalk ZB Sports Team	NZME
North v South	Mike Lane, James McOnie, Matt Heath, Joseph Durie, Tom Harper	Radio Hauraki & the ACC
The ACC Super 7's Competition	Mike Lane, Joseph Durie, Tom Harper	Radio Hauraki & the ACC

Best Promotion		
Best Client Promotion/Activation		
Finalists		
Sharyn & Jayden's Give Us a Tow with RJ's	The Edge Network Team	MediaWorks
The Vibe with V Energy	The Edge Network Team	MediaWorks
V Energy Game Changer	The Rock, George FM & Mai FM	MediaWorks
Best Marketing Campaign		
Finalists		
Flava - Old School Hip Hop & RnB Launch	Monique Hodgson, John Pelasio, Megan Sagar, Josh Todd, Sydney Plested, Katie Mills	Flava Network
Matt Heath & Jeremy Wells - Live Headlines	Claire Chellew, Mike Lane, Joe Durie, Tom Harper, Lumo Digital, Pitchblack Partners	Radio Hauraki Network
A Christmas Special Like No Other	Lee Gilmour, Will Maisey, Tiffany Montgomery	The Breeze Network
Best Network Station Promotion		
Finalists		
Coca-Cola Christmas on The Breeze	Will Maisey, Tiffany Montgomery, Braydon Priest, Nicky Ranson, Sarah Nickson-Clarke	The Breeze Network
Ding Dong Ditch	Caitlin Coffey, Bex Dewhurst, Dena Roberts, Finlay Robertson, Anglea Wedekind, Ricky Bannister, Grant Brodie, Casey Sullivan	The Edge Network
The Rock 2000	Jacqueline Williams, Brad King, Reagan White, Jack Honeybone, Sophie Currie, Michael Baker, Ricky Bannister, Emily Reid, Joe Baxendale, Nicki Covich, Aileen Lau	The Rock Network
Best Single Market Station Promotion		
Finalists		
Christmas Pass the Parcel	Jess Taylor, Todd Fisher, Hiliary Schroeder, Mitch Fulton, Nikita Leck, Steve Broad, Chris Goodyear, Amber Russell, Lana Searle, Gary McCormick, Jason Mac, Samantha Baxter, Chris Bond	More FM Canterbury
Nick The Tix	Mitchell Fulton	The Edge Canterbury
Ernie & the Magic Kennel	Will Maisey, Tiffany Montgomery, Jeanette Thomas, Robert Rakete, Grace Rhynd	The Breeze Auckland
Best Website and Social Content		
Finalists		
Radio Hauraki & the ACC	Joseph Durie, Tom Harper, Joseph Shuker, Finn Caddie	Radio Hauraki & the ACC
The Edge Network	Ricky Bannister, Jerome Sears, MediaWorks Digital Team	The Edge Network
The Rock	Michael Baker, Raynor Perreau, MediaWorks Digital Team	The Rock Network
ZM On Line	Carwen Jones, Sarah Mount, Gary Pointon, Megan Sagar	ZM Network
Associated Craft Award		
Finalists		
MediaWorks Trade Marketing Team	Jessica James, Melissa Stephenson, Kat Blackburn, Alex Kenny	MediaWorks
MediaWorks Technology Team	Mike Heard, Christian Shearer, Kieran Connellan, Brad Wright, Rob Stewart, Blake Beale, Jim Cowan, Richard Brayne, Will Plummer, Bradley Hamilton, Ray Smith, Tony Grimwood, Dane Cookson, Christopher Smith, Graham Wright, Andrew Scott, Emma Michell, Peter Wallace	MediaWorks
MediaWorks Integration Team	Sunshine Moore, Nikki Flint, Sam West, Bex Dewhurst, Nicki Covich, Amber Howard, Jessie Matheson, Finlay Robertson, Aileen Lau, Penny Quirk, Jarrod Stevenson, Jess Smith, Abby Lawrence, Larissa O'Reilly, Arun Beard, Sophie Currie, Kiriana Jones, Rykah Hadaway	MediaWorks
Best Community Campaign		
Finalists		
Coca-Cola Christmas on The Breeze	Will Maisey, Tiffany Montgomery, Nicky Ranson, Sarah Nickson-Clarke	The Breeze Network
Northland Rescue Helicopter Fundraiser	John Markby, Angela Gordon, Tauha Tekani, Tarsh Ieremia, Dean McGovern, Erena Miller	More FM Northland
The Morning Rumble 'Day on the Darts'	Bryce Casey, Roger Farrelly, Andrew Mulligan	The Rock Network
Sales Team of the Year		
Finalists		
MediaWorks Gisborne	Debby Cresswell, Mandy Fitzgerald, Ander Bataritta	MediaWorks Gisborne
NZME Auckland	Neil Jackson, Tweenie Hayward-Brown, Chelsea Norman, Elyn Ricketts	NZME
MediaWorks Waikato	Justine Dixon, Julie Rowlands, Kerriann Ashworth, Lesley MacDonald, Sarah Morrison, Stew Melrose, Ashlee Walsh, Deidre Robertson	MediaWorks Waikato
Best Radio Creative		
Best Commercial Campaign		
Finalists		
Spookers - Friday the 13th	Alastair Barran, Chris Hurring	MediaWorks
Taupo Violence Intervention - Unspoken Rules	Tracy O'Halloran, Lisa Soden, James Irwin, Stephen Lovatt, Jono Manx, Liam O'Halloran, Chris Ryan	NZME Taupo
Far North Reap & Waka Kotahi "Think"	Richard Matthews, Benjamin French, Hlope Etherington, Keith Etherington	MediaWorks Northland
Best Commercial Production		
Finalists		
NZTA Northland Road Safety	Leanne McDonald, Andrea Hawcridge, Glenn Dwight, Tess Jamieson-Karaha	NZME Northland
Spookers - Darin	Chris Hurring, Alastair Barran, Michael Wightman	MediaWorks
NRC - No Sense It Makes	Chris Hurring, Alastair Barran	MediaWorks
Rock Fishing - CAPS Hauraki	Ben French, Hamish Nixon, Ric Chan	MediaWorks Coromandel
Best Single Commercial		
Finalists		
Taupo Violence Intervention - Born to be a Man	Tracy O'Halloran, Lisa Soden, James Irwin, Stephen Lovatt	NZME Taupo
Rock Fishing - CAPS Hauraki	Hamish Nixon, Benjamin French	MediaWorks Coromandel
NZTA Northland Road Safety - Speed Kills	Glenn Dwight, Andrea Hawcridge, Leanne McDonald, Tess Jamieson-Karaha	NZME Northland
Best Voice Talent		
Finalists		
Andy George		More FM Coromandel
Richie Simpson		ZM Network
Hannah Venneman		MediaWorks
Station of the Year		
Station of the Year - Network		
Finalists		
Mai FM		MediaWorks
RNZ National		Radio New Zealand
Newstalk ZB		NZME
ZM		NZME
Station of the Year - Non-Network		
Finalists		
Flava Auckland		NZME
One Double X		Radio Bay of Plenty
The Breeze Wellington		MediaWorks
More FM Manawatu		MediaWorks