



BEST OF THE BEST WANTED! SARAH BROWN BOYDEN COMPETITION WINNER TAKES HOME \$500!

Seeking the absolute best story from print, broadcast, radio and online journalists. Enter your best stories and win \$500 from the prestigious Chicago Journalists Association's annual Sarah Brown Boyden competition.

CONTEST RULES

All newspapers, magazines, other periodicals, radio and television stations, podcasts, online journalists and photo-journalists in the Chicago area and Northern Indiana are eligible to enter the contest, which covers the period from July 1, 2024 to July 31, 2025.

Nominations should include a cover letter summarizing the content of the entry, difficulty encountered in getting the story, and results, if any. Please indicate the category you are submitting, along with contact information.

No more than three stories/photos will be permitted per entry for each category. Please submit all entries at <https://bit.ly/boyden2025>. **The contest is open to CJA members and non-members.**

The early-bird fee is \$50 per entry in each category. After the early-bird deadline, the fee is \$75 per entry in each category. The student fee is \$25 per entry in each category. Payments must be made via PayPal, at chicagojournalists.net/donations.

Early-bird deadline for entries is Sept. 26, 2025. Final deadline is Oct. 3, 2025.



Pioneering journalist
Sarah Brown Boyden

Contestants may compete in the following categories:

- Arts
- Best Series
- Breaking News
- Business
- Collaborations
- Commentary
- Education
- Features
- Health / Science
- Immigration
- Innovative Storytelling
- Investigations
- News or Sports Photography
- Politics
- Public Service
- Daniel N. Moulton Sports Award
- Student Journalism
- Technology
- Transportation



Daniel N. Moulton

Sarah Brown Boyden joined the Chicago Evening American after attending Northwestern University in the 1920s and later worked at the Chicago Daily News and Chicago Sun. She died in 1989 at age 86. Her family established this fund in her honor. We added the Daniel N. Moulton Award for the best sports story in his memory. Dan covered the hockey beat for Chicago Today and the Chicago Evening American before joining the Chicago Tribune as sports copy editor and once served as treasurer of our organization. He passed away in 2005 at age 75.

Winners will be announced at CJA's 86th Anniversary Awards Ceremony, to be held Friday, Nov. 14, 2025.

To make your payment, visit chicagojournalists.net/donations and select the Sarah Brown Boyden Award fee option. You will then be directed to PayPal's website to complete your order.