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**Call for Submissions for the 2021 Webster Awards Now Open**  
**--New & Revised Categories This Year--**

Vancouver, B.C. -- The Jack Webster Foundation is now accepting submissions for the 2021 Webster Awards. The awards recognize excellence in journalism in B.C. and all B.C.-based journalists, reporting on stories of interest to B.C. audiences are eligible to apply. Submissions will be accepted online [here](#) until midnight on July 31, 2021, PDT.

New this year, one will find what was one category in the past, *Excellence in Science, Technology, Health and Environment Reporting*, is now three separate categories: *Excellence in Technology Reporting*, *Excellence in Health Reporting* and *Excellence in Environment Reporting*.

Also new this year, recognizing the diversity of the media across British Columbia, what was *Best Reporting – Chinese Language* is now *Best Reporting in a Language other than English*.

Revised this year is the former category, *Excellence in Digital Reporting*, which is now *Excellence in Multimedia Journalism* and there is a revised category description as well as judging guidelines. The three categories for *Best Breaking News – Print/Online*, *Best Breaking News – Radio*, and *Best Breaking News – TV/Video* also have slightly revised category descriptions.

Balancing out the rest of the total of 16 awards up for grabs this year include:

- Best Feature/Enterprise Reporting:
  - -Online/Print,
  - -Podcast/Audio/Radio,
  - -Video/Television,
- Excellence in Diversity and Inclusion Reporting,
- Best Community Reporting,
- Commentator of the Year/City Mike Award,
- Excellence in Business, Industry, Labour & Economics Award,

- Excellence in Legal Journalism.

For all 2021 Webster Awards, only submissions published or aired between June 1, 2020 and May 31, 2021 are eligible, and they may be submitted by a journalist or team of journalists at <https://jackwebster.com/call-for-submissions/>. Only online submissions will be accepted.

Submissions are encouraged from print, radio, podcasts, television, video, blogs and online sources that cover news, sports, the arts, business, community issues, investigative reporting and more. A story or series may only be entered in one category.

An entry fee of \$25 per submission will be charged and is payable by credit card. Three finalists in each category will be announced in September and the winners will be announced during the online Webster Awards, November 3, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Pacific Time. More information about the online awards will be announced soon.

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