



**Internews first “Every Human Has Rights” Media Awards  
30 award winners to travel to Paris  
Public invited to vote online for best story**

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Internews is pleased to announce the **30 winners** of the Every Human Has Rights Media Awards (see full list of winners below). The winners will travel to Paris in December for the awards ceremony.

The call for participation was heard by numerous journalists and citizen journalists all around the world: **482 applications** were received, with stories covering 108 countries.

Following national then regional selection processes, the 30 winners were chosen by an **international jury** of journalists and human rights experts: Marcia Poole (journalist and Senior Director, Communications & Information of Amnesty International), Aidan White (journalist and General Secretary of the International Federation of Journalists), Katy Cronin (journalist and Communications Director of The Elders), Lydia Cacho (journalist and author), Jimmie Briggs (journalist, author, Executive Director of *Men Call An End* and Chairman of the jury), Bonnie Abaunza (Vice President Campaign Development & Operations for Participant Media) and Mariane Pearl (journalist).

*“It is my honour to have participated in the award deliberations of global reportage exemplifying the highest levels of integrity and professionalism. The injustices and transcendent challenges they expose are the strongest argument to the relevance and importance of the Universal Declaration”* says **Jimmie Briggs**, Chairman of the jury.

The 30 winners are awarded an all expenses paid trip to Paris from December 5<sup>th</sup> to December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

On Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>, they will attend the **Every Human Has Rights campaign celebration** including the **Awards Ceremony**. They will have the opportunity to meet a number of personalities from the human rights and media communities, including M. **François Zimeray**, French Ambassador for Human Rights; M. **Stéphane Hessel**, former Ambassador to the UN and a co-drafter of the UDHR in 1948; Ms. **Mary Robinson**, Former President of Ireland, Former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and member of The Elders; and Archbishop **Desmond Tutu**, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and Chair of The Elders.

Award winners will be assisted by Internews in Paris to attend and report on other human rights related events in the lead up to the 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration on December 10, 2008.

***The public prize:***

From the 30 winning stories, one will be awarded the **prize of the public for the most eye-opening report**: until November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008, midnight, GMT+1, **the public is invited to vote** on the EHHR Media Awards website: <http://media-awards.everyhumanhasrights.org/en>

Do not hesitate to forward information about the public prize to your networks.

You can also join us on [Facebook](#), [MySpace](#) and [Care2](#).



**The 30 winners:**

- Michael Duffy, Australia – *Channel 7 Network Australia* (Malaysia)
- Anas Aremeyaw Anas and Mary Fianko Akuffo, Ghana – *The Crusading Guide* (Ghana)
- Mario Magalhaes, Brazil – *Folha de S. Paulo* (Brazil)
- Raghu Karnad, India – *Tehelka Magazine* (India)
- Paulo Motta & team, Brazil – *O Globo* (Brazil)
- Fátima Baptista & team, Brazil – *Globo TV/Bom Dia Brasil* (Brazil)
- Imam Shofwan, Indonesia – *Pantau* (Timor Leste)
- Sheryl Mendez, United States – *Kinemastik* (Iraq)
- Isabel Coello, Spain – *Diario Público* (Chad)
- Peter Moss, Kenya – *Kenya Television Network* (Kenya)
- Mahamat Malloum Houda, Chad – *La Voix du Ouaddai* (Chad)
- Benjamin Barthe, France – *Le Monde* (Palestinian Territories)
- Elizabeth Yarce, Colombia – *Revista CAMBIO* (Colombia)
- Rodrigo Tornero, Argentina – *FM la Tribu* (Argentina)
- Glenda Giron, El Salvador – *La Prensa Gráfica* (El Salvador)
- James & Jessica Schneider Chance, United States – *chancemultimedia.com* (Philippines)
- Al Rabih Ould Edum, Mauritania – *Sahara Media* (Mauritania)
- Najah Alosaimi, Saudi Arabia – *Arab News* (Saudi Arabia)
- Tatyana Ten, Kazakhstan – *Caravan* (Kazakhstan)
- Pilirani Semu-Banda, Malawi – *CorpWatch* (Malawi)
- Sally Chiwama, Zambia – *Women News Network* (Zambia)
- Svetlana Chuikina, Kazakhstan – *Stan TV* (Kazakhstan)
- Bernhard Drax, United States – *Vanity Fair* (United States)
- Gabriel Kamlomo, Malawi – *Zodiak Broadcasting Station* (Malawi)
- Nazira Zhusupova, Kyrgyzstan – *Radio Most* (Kyrgyzstan)
- Hassan Abdoulaye Hassan, Chad – *Radio Sila* (Chad)
- Yaroslav Galas, Ukraine – *Facts and Commentaries* (Czech Republic)
- Fátima Monterrosa, Mexico – *Revista emeequis* (Mexico)
- Deepa Anappara, India – *Infochange India* (India)
- Simba Rousseau, Lebanon – *IRIN News Agency* (Lebanon)

The EHHR Media Awards is organized by Internews in association with the Every Human Has Rights Campaign, supported by the Elders, for the **60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights**.

Internews is a non-profit organization working in over 70 countries that trains and supports local journalists around the world to provide news and information for their communities.

Awards website: <http://media-awards.everyhumanhasrights.org>

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