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2024

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS)

Winner: ["The Dead Are Alive"](#) - Claire Dodd (United Kingdom), *JRNY*

Finalists:

- ["Echoes of Faith and Fortitude in the San Antonio Missions"](#) - Aleney de Winter (Australia), *BoyEatsWorld.com*
- ["San Antonio, no Texas, une história, arte, gastronomia e festa no River Walk"](#) - Andrea Miramontes (Brazil), *LadoBViagem.com.br*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- ["Alaska: La frontera desconocida"](#) - Pedro Montaña (Mexico), *POST Mag*
- ["A Verdadeira Little Italy"](#) - Eduardo Burckhardt (Brazil), *UOL (Universo Online)*
- ["2 Black Heroes, 2 Cities in New York: A Journey Into the Past"](#) - Shayla Martin (United States), *The New York Times*

Finalists:

- ["Hello Dolly!"](#) - Dirk Baumgartl (Germany), *Spartacus Traveler*
- ["Vita e affetti su un carro e il destino che si gioca in un guado."](#) - Marco Berchi (Italy), *La Stampa*
- ["History Sings in Memphis"](#) - Helen Hayes (Australia), *Vacations & Travel*
- ["Legacies matter: Why one man turned personal artifacts from West Africa into a museum in Kentucky"](#) - Rashmi Narayan (United Kingdom), *Adventure.com*
- ["Daring to go 'BELOW THE RIM'"](#) - Wing Sze Tang (Canada), *Toronto Star*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: ["Atlanta? Yes, Atlanta"](#) - Harmke Kraak (The Netherlands), *We Love Travel*

Finalists:

- ["Kontrast - Programm"](#) - Holger Jacobs (Germany), *fvw | TravelTalk*
- ["On the rocks: exploring Utah in the off-season"](#) - Mike MacEacheran (United Kingdom), *Travel Weekly*

2023

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (ORLANDO, FL)

Winner: ["orlando: Repleta de Novidades"](#) - Paulo Basso (Brazil), *Revista Viaje Mais*

Finalist: ["Out of this World"](#) - James Draven (United Kingdom), *Travel Trade Gazette*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- ["Bourbon, Straight Up"](#) - Uwern Jong (United Kingdom), *OutThere magazine*
- ["A Time in the Sun"](#) - Shayla Martin (United States), *Coastal Living Magazine*
- ["Indigenous America explored in Arizona"](#) - Debbie Olsen (Canada), *National Post*

Finalists:

- ["La joya del DESIERTO"](#) - Elsa Navarrete (Mexico), *Food and Travel Mexico*
- ["Nevada's spooky ghost towns make it the Road Trip Capital of America"](#) - Marie Barbieri (Australia), *Escape*
- ["Reggaeton ist der Sound von Puerto Rico"](#) - Sabrina Hasenbein (Germany), *Welt.de*
- ["Forget Route 66, this walking route is the best way to see the real America"](#) - Mike MacEacheran (United Kingdom), *The Telegraph*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: ["Outras Flóridas"](#) - Artur Andrade (Brazil), *PANROTAS*

Finalists:

- ["Versumpfen abseits von New Orleans"](#) - Holger Jacobs (Germany), *FVW*
- ["SLO and Steady"](#) - Jessica Pook (United Kingdom), *Selling Travel*

IPW TRAVEL WRITER AWARDS HISTORY

2022

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (LAS VEGAS, NV)

Winner: [“Las Vegas: La Cara Que No Conocías”](#) - Mariana Mijares (Mexico), *EnVIVA Revista*

Finalists:

- [“Casamento em Las Vegas: passo a passo”](#) - Natalia Manczyk (Brazil), *Mundo Viajar*
- [Las Vegas - Showtime!](#) - Dirk Baumgartl (Germany), *Spartacus Traveler*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- [“Going for Gold”](#) - Aaron Millar (United Kingdom), *National Geographic Traveller*
- [“Mississippi: Einfach treiben lassen”](#) - Andrea Bonder (Germany), *Reise & Preise*
- [“Atlanta’s unexpected civil rights museum: Its airport”](#) - Larry Bleiberg (United States), *The Washington Post*

Finalists:

- [“Adventure on Tap”](#) - Roberto Serrini (Australia), *Get Lost Magazine*
- [“Her er maden krydret, drinksene stærke og musikken svær at sidde stille til”](#) - Louise Alkjaer (Denmark), *Politiken*
- [“A dreamy trip back to Boston - from 'bacon energy' to browsing in New Hampshire”](#) - Nicola Brady (Ireland), *Irish Independent*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: [“De magie van Oregon Crater Lake”](#) - Harmke Kraak (The Netherlands), *We Love Travel Magazine*

Finalists:

- [“Um pouco de tudo em cada canto”](#) - Leonardo Neves (Brazil), *Brasilturis Jornal*
- [“Rock Solid”](#) - Jonathan Thompson (United Kingdom), *ASPIRE Magazine*

2021

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (ANAHEIM, CA)

Winner: [“California Dreaming in Anaheim”](#) - Jennifer Merrick (Canada), *Canadian World Traveller*

Finalist: [“California dreamin' ”](#) - Neil Murray (United Kingdom), *Scottish Sunday Mail*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- [“In search of the kind of America I'd always heard about in Michigan”](#) - Fionn Davenport (Ireland), *The Irish Times*
- [“Da Califórnia À Florida De Motorhome \(Ou De Trailer\): Roteiro Detalho Dessa Jornada Incrível Pelos EUA”](#) - Mari Vidigal (Brazil), *Ideias na mala*
- [“La conjura del ritmo”](#) - Ceclia Nunez (Mexico), *Food and Travel*

Finalists:

- [“Border Song”](#) - Lynn Houghton (United Kingdom), *OutThere magazine*
- [“Wine tasting in Napa and Sonoma will never be the same. Here's why that's a good thing”](#) - Rosemary McClure (United States), *Los Angeles Times*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: [“Highways to Heaven”](#) - Lauren Jarvis (United Kingdom), *Selling Travel*

Finalists:

- [“Experience the magic of The Beaches of Fort Myers and Sanibel”](#) - Ann Ruppenstein (Canada), *Travel Courier*
- [“La città sulla baia: San Diego festeggia 250 anni di storia”](#) - Cristina Melis (Italy), *L'Agenzia Di Viaggi Magazine*

2020

Competition was cancelled due to COVID-19.

2019

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (DENVER, CO)

Winner: [“Things To Do in Denver When You're...”](#) - Stephanie Holmes, *New Zealand Travel Herald*, New Zealand

Finalist: [“100% Local em Denver”](#) - Artur Luiz Andrade and Renato Machado (Brazil), *PANROTAS*

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BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- [“Viagem de Moto Pelo Alabama nos EUA”](#) - Luciano Palumbo (Brazil), *TurismoEtc*,
- [“It’s a Piece of Good Life”](#) - KiSun Lee (Korea), *Lonely Planet Magazine Korea*
- [“Charming Charleston: The Hot New City Break”](#) - Jonathan Thompson (United Kingdom), *The Times*

Finalists:

- [“California on Two Wheels: My Bike Trip through Napa Valley and Sonoma County”](#) - Nicola Brady (freelance writer, Ireland), *Irish Independent*
- [“Ein Roadtrip durch den Rust Belt der USA”](#) - Verena Wolff (freelance writer, Germany), *dpa-Deutsche Presseagentur*
- [“Meow and Mahalo”](#) - Jay Jones (freelance writer, USA), *Los Angeles Times*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: [“Le Nouveau Monde En Version « RÉTRO »”](#) - Thierry Beaufreperre (France), *Voyages & Stratégie*

Finalists:

- [“On the Road”](#) - Peter Ellegard (United Kingdom), *Revista Vivir De Viaje*
- [“Philly on Foot”](#) - Pamela Brossman (USA), *Destinations Magazine*

2018

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (WASHINGTON, DC)

Winner: [“Kult i Georgetown”](#) - Terje Myklebost (Snarøya, Norway), *GREAT Hotels & Food*

Finalist: [“Washington, D.C.’s Eclectic Music Scene is Remarkably Cool”](#) - Michael Fisher (freelance writer, Canada), *Toronto Star*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- [“Die Stimme der Buckaroos”](#) - Margit Brinke and K. Peter Kraenzle (Augsburg, Germany), *America Journal*
- [“A Bronx Tale”](#) - Jonas Henningsson (Huddinge, Sweden), *American Trails*
- [“Atomic City: Secret No Longer”](#) - Kit Bernardi (Oak Park, Illinois), *USA TODAY Go Escape*

Finalists:

- [“Witness the ‘Pink Moment’ and Take a Spiritual Journey in the Ojai Valley”](#) - Fionn Davenport (freelance writer, Ireland), *Daily Telegraph*
- [“Dude Ranches of the Wild West”](#) - Jim Winnerman (freelance writer, St. Louis, Missouri), *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: [“High Drama”](#) - Ella Buchan (London, UK), *ASPIRE*

Finalist: [“Visita Detroit, La Ciudad Que está de Moda”](#) - Henning Kretschmer (Honduras), *Revista Vivir De Viaje*

2017

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA)

Winner: [“Hoodoo and Voodoo, Ghosts and Graves”](#) - Aaron Millar (United Kingdom), *National Geographic Traveller U.K.*

Finalist: Lucio Rossi, *Latitudes*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- [“Alaska Untouched”](#) - Jocelyn Pride (Melbourne, Australia), *WellBeing*
- [“Valley Inspired”](#) - Uwern Jong (London, United Kingdom), *Out There*

Finalists:

- Spud Hilton (USA), *San Francisco Chronicle*
- Bas van Oort (freelance writer, Netherlands)

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: [“The Vineyards of Southern California”](#) - Katarzyna Siekierzynska (Warsaw, Poland), *Business Traveller Poland*

Finalist: Lauren Jarvis (London, United Kingdom)

IPW TRAVEL WRITER AWARDS HISTORY

2016

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (ORLANDO, FLORIDA)

Winner: “Orlando: De volta à infância” - Amanda Fernandes Leonel de Queiroz (Brazil), *Melhor Viagem*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- “A Walk in the Woods” - Phoebe Smith (Berkshire, United Kingdom), *Wanderlust*
- “Follow in a President’s Footsteps” - Lindsay Sutton (Manchester, United Kingdom), *Manchester Evening News*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: “La NUEVA New York” - Héctor Fabio Rizzo (Guadalajara, Mexico), *TOUR Magazine*

2015

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (CHICAGO, ILLINOIS)

Winner: “Chicago: Uma Cidade Para Todos” - Rogério Almeida (Brazil), *Fácil*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- “Heta Harlem” - Jonas Henningsson (Stockholm, Sweden), *Vagabond Magazine*
- “California’s Milky Way” - April Orcutt (Dallas, Texas), *The Dallas Morning News*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: “Sound of the Streets” - Katherine Lawrey (London, United Kingdom), *TTG [Travel Trade Gazette]*

2014

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (LAS VEGAS, NEVADA)

Winner: “Swinging on the Strip” - Peter Ellegard (Shoeburyness, United Kingdom), *Great Golf Magazine*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- “Go West! From New York to Seattle by Train” - Bas van Oort (Amsterdam, Netherlands), *REIZEN Magazine*
- “Riverboat Revival: Steamer American Queen Resumes Exploring Past on the Mississippi Current” - Spud Hilton (San Francisco, California), *San Francisco Chronicle*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: “Houston, El Recinto Para Reunions y Convenciones” - Carlos Pérez Galván (Mexico City, Mexico), *Mas Expos Congresos & Convenciones*

2013

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA)

Winner: “Jak zdobyć Hollywood?” - Elzbieta Pawelek (Warsaw, Poland), *VIVA!*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- “A Century of Great Railway Romance” - Chris Coplans (London, United Kingdom), *The Independent*
- “Everybody Loves Johnny” - Lieven Mathys (Tielt, Belgium), *De Zondag*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: “The Real Hawaii” - Janice Strong (Coquitlam, BC, Canada), *Canadian Traveller*

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2012

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA)

Winner: "Flowers in My Hair" - Gary Dickson (New Zealand), *Let's Travel Magazine*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winners:

- "Una Verdadera Aventura Invernal" - Alicia Boy (Mexico), *Bon Voyage-Excelsior*
- "Dal Cielo—Se gli States Sono da Prendere al Volo" - Marco Berchi (Italy), *La Repubblica Viaggi*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: "USA News" - Milton Gonzalez (Mexico), *Publitur*

2011

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (ORLANDO, FLORIDA)

Winner: "Welcome to Hogwarts" - Megan Singleton (New Zealand), *Herald on Sunday*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winner: "From Oz to Oklahoma" - Mary Moore Mason (United Kingdom), *Essentially America*

BEST TRADE PUBLICATION ARTICLE

Winner: "More than Amusement" - Ilona Kauremsky (Canada, writing for U.S. publication), *MPI's One+ Magazine*

2010

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (MIAMI, FLORIDA)

Winner: "Ferie med Fart" - Carsten Andersen (Denmark), *B.T.*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winner: "Alasca" - Silvio Cioffi (Brazil), *Folha de S. Paulo*

2009

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (LAS VEGAS, NEVADA)

Winner: "Las Vegas: In the Money" - Megan Singleton (New Zealand), *Herald on Sunday*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winner: "Big Mac with Fear on the Side" - Rob McFarland (Australia), *Sydney Morning Herald*

2008

BEST IPW HOST CITY ARTICLE (ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA)

Winner: "Anaheim Angels: Sieg im Ballpark (Victory in ballpark)" - Axel H. Pinck (Germany), *Kanal 4 Media*

BEST U.S. TRAVEL DESTINATION

Winner: "March of the Murals" - Neil Murray (United Kingdom), *Essentially America*