

# WXYZ-TV VP/GM Ed Fernandez, Photojournalist John Ciolino honored with Silver Circle Award

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BIRMINGHAM, Mich. (WXYZ) - The Michigan chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences honored two WXYZ-TV employees Sunday for their decades of service in the industry.

Vice President and General Manager Eduardo (Ed) Fernandez and Photojournalist John Ciolino were inducted as Silver Circle members of the Michigan chapter. The award is one of the highest honors given by NATAS, and recognizes television professionals who performed distinguished service in the industry for 25 years or more.

Ciolino began his career at WXYZ in 1983, and has shot, edited, written and produced reports giving a name to Detroit's anonymous heroes. As the lead photographer for our Detroit 2020 brand, he has been awarded with 20 Emmys and a Peabody Award, one of journalism's highest honors.

Named Vice President and General Manager in 2010, Fernandez was named a Divisional General Manager for E.W. Scripps in 2012 for stations in Kansas City, Indianapolis, Cleveland and Azteca America.

During his time as VP/GM, WXYZ has been named the Michigan Association of Broadcasters "Station of the Year" every year since 2010 and won Michigan AP's "General Excellence" award in 2011 and 2012.

Other Silver Circle honorees include Jeff Forster from Detroit Public Television, Janet Mason from WZZM in Grand Rapids and Keith Thompson from WWMT in Grand Rapids.

Ken Krato, a video editor at Fox 2, also received the Gold Circle award for serving in the industry for more than 50 years.

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