



The American Academy of Diplomacy annually honors one outstanding reporter and one distinguished commentator with its two Arthur Ross Awards for Distinguished Reporting Analysis on Foreign Affairs. The awards, endowed by and given in honor of the late Arthur Ross, seek to recognize individuals or groups of individuals (e.g., a news bureau) whose reporting and analysis on diplomacy and foreign affairs is making a singular contribution to public understanding of the critical role played by diplomacy in the furtherance of America's foreign policy interests.

One award is given to a journalist/reporter and another to a commentator/columnist. Each award includes a cash stipend of \$5,000. The awards are customarily presented at the Academy's Annual Awards Luncheon ceremony in the Benjamin Franklin Room at the US Department of State in the late fall/early winter. Each award recipient and one other person will be guests of the Academy at the Luncheon.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- ✓ Nominees must be U.S. citizens who work/reside anywhere, either in the United States or abroad.
- ✓ The work of the nominees must be making a singular contribution to public understanding of foreign affairs or the critical role played by diplomacy in the furtherance of America's foreign policy interests.
- ✓ Nominees can come from print or electronic publications.
- ✓ Nominees can be in one of two categories: Reporter/Journalist category or Commentator category.
- ✓ Nominees in the Commentator category can include columnists, editorial writers, cartoonists, or commentators.

NOTE: While the above are the formal criteria, the Academy is particularly looking for nominees who have not yet been honored with other major journalism awards and who are "on the way up;" this includes individuals from any part of the US or on assignment abroad (including conflict zones).

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- ✓ Nominations are welcome and encouraged from the nominees' media outlets, editors, colleagues, or readers. No self-nominations will be accepted.
- ✓ Nominations must include a brief bio, a nominating statement (500 words max), and links to at least three examples of the nominee's work (most recent samples would be preferred).
- ✓ Nominations must be submitted via the online nomination form: <https://forms.gle/sv6CNKS7iyy62z2b9>
- ✓ Complete nominations are due by **11:59 PM EDT on Thursday, September 10, 2020**. Incomplete nominations will not be considered.

SELECTION

Nominations will be reviewed and recommendations made by the AAD Media Award committee and then be formally approved by the full AAD Board of Directors.

PRIOR HONOREES

Please see the American Academy of Diplomacy website at <https://www.academyofdiplomacy.org/awards/>.

ABOUT THE ACADEMY

The American Academy of Diplomacy is a non-profit organization of former senior American diplomats dedicated to strengthening American diplomacy.