

The Mid-America Emmy® Awards Return to St. Louis

This year's 37th annual Mid-America Emmy® Awards return to Saint Louis Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Renaissance Grand Hotel. This is a night to recognize the very best in broadcasting within the Mid-America chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS), which includes television markets in Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, Iowa, Arkansas and Louisiana. Illinois native Margaret Judson from HBO's "The Newsroom" will host this year's event.

"We're excited to have an actress with Margaret Judson's credentials both in the entertainment and news business serve as this year's host. Her diverse experience will be an added bonus to this year's gala," said NATAS Mid-America Chapter President Angie Weidinger.

Judson began her broadcasting career as a Page at NBC. Since then, she's worked with an array of famous names in both the news and entertainment industries including Brian Williams and Jimmy Fallon. She was working as an assistant for MSNBC's Keith Olbermann when she met screenwriter Aaron Sorkin who was doing research for his new show "The Newsroom." She served as a consultant for the program before becoming a regular cast member on it.

This year more than 320 broadcasters are nominated for 85 Mid-America Emmy® awards. In addition to awarding those 85 Emmy® statuettes, the awards gala will also honor four television veterans who will be inducted into the prestigious Gold and

Silver Circle. The Gold Circle honors 50 years or more of outstanding service in the television industry, the Silver Circle honors 25 years or more. This year, Edward J. "Ted" Koplak from KPLR-TV in Saint Louis will be inducted into the Gold Circle. Doug Quick from WICD in Champaign, Illinois, Mike Stroot from Technisonic Studios in Saint Louis, and Larry Washington from FOX 2 in Saint Louis will be inducted into the Silver Circle.

The Mid-America Emmy® chapter is also focused on fostering the future of broadcasting. In addition to presenting awards for excellence in broadcasting to 11 high school students and 6 college students, the chapter will also award a record \$6000 in scholarships to area students pursuing degrees in broadcasting.

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For a complete list of this year's Mid-America Emmy® Awards nominees, visit the chapter's website: www.emmymid-america.org

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Congratulations to all the Nominees!

The 37th Mid-America EMMY GALA ~ October 5th ~ Renaissance Grand Hotel St. Louis with Host Margaret Judson of HBO'S "NEWSROOM"

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