

TRAVEL JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

Each year, the contest judge bestows the **Travel Journalist of the Year** honor to one Active whose work stands out among the rest. Formerly known as the Mark Twain Travel Writer of the Year, the new title for this award reflects MTJA's view that travel journalism today extends into media venues beyond the printed page.

	2021 Laura Watilo Blake	
2020 Carla Waldemar	2019 Lisa Meyers McClintick	2018 Diana Lambdin Meyer
2017 Todd Wessell	2016 Janet Podolak	2015 Diana Lambdin Meyer
2014 Randy Mink	2013 Rich Warren	2012 Jackie Sheckler Finch
2011 Kim Schneider	2010 Kim Schneider	2009 Carla Waldemar
2008 Carla Waldemar	2007 Diana Lambdin Meyer	2006 Jackie Sheckler Finch
2005 Carla Waldemar	2004 Rachel Reynolds-Soucie	2003 Jackie Sheckler Finch
2002 Betsa Marsh	2001 Jackie Sheckler Finch	2000 Betsa Marsh
1999 Ann Hattes	1998 Jackie Sheckler Finch	1997 Mike Michaelson
1996 Betsa Marsh	1995 Susan R. Pollack	1994 John Whitman
1993 Leonard R. Barnes	1992 Sharon Lloyd Spence	1991 Joy Schaleben Lewis
1990 Joy Schaleben Lewis	1989 Susan Bayer Ward	1988 Dixie Franklin
1987 Leonard R. Barnes	1986 Frederick Karst	1985 Leonard R. Barnes
1984 Iris S. Jones	1983 Leonard R. Barnes	1982 Rick Sylvain
1981 Janet Steinberg	1980 Iris S. Jones	1979 Leonard R. Barnes
1978 Iris S. Jones	1977-1971 No Awards	1970 Henry Bradshaw
1969 Richard Dunlop	1968 Richard Dunlop	1967 Bill Hibbard
1966 No Award	1965 Leonard R. Barnes	1964 William J. Trepagnier
1963 No Award	1962 Lucia Lewis	1961 Kermit Holt
1960 Lucia Lewis	1959 William J. Trepagnier	1958 Paul M. McMahon
1957 William Yates	1956 Dave Roberts	1955 Lucia Lewis