



**“CHAMELEON: WILD BOYS” WINS PODCAST OF THE YEAR AT
THIRD ANNUAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN AUDIO PRESENTED
BY THE PODCAST ACADEMY**

***“Bone Valley” and “Ídolo: The Ballad of Chalino Sánchez”
Earn Most Wins with Two Ambies Each***

***“Queer News” Wins 2023 Special Best DIY Podcast Category;
Leah Wright Rigueur Wins Best Podcast Host;
Cole Sprouse and Sarah Yarkin Win Best Performance in Audio
Fiction***

“Stuff You Should Know” Honored with Governors Award

LAS VEGAS, NV, MARCH 8, 2023—Last night, [The Podcast Academy](#) (TPA), the preeminent professional podcast organization, announced winners across 26 categories at its third annual [Awards for Excellence in Audio](#) (The Ambies®) from the International Theater in Las Vegas hosted by Emmy Award-winning producer, writer, comedian, actor and podcast host **Larry Wilmore**. Additionally, “**Stuff You Should Know**” co-hosts **Chuck Bryant**, **Josh Clark**, and producer **Jeri Rowland** accepted this year’s **Governors Award**, an honor that recognizes the impact a podcast or individual has had on the industry.

The Ambies celebrate excellence in podcasting and elevate awareness and status of podcasts as a unique and personal medium for entertainment, information, storytelling and expression. Community Building Sponsor [Wondery](#) highlighted TPA’s Mentorship Program at the Ceremony and Platinum Sponsor [Sonoro](#), introduced the upcoming Global Podcast Summit they are hosting with TPA in June.

THIRD ANNUAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN AUDIO WINNERS:

Podcast of The Year (Sponsored by Tenderfoot TV)

Chameleon: Wild Boys

Campside Media and Sony Music Entertainment

Best Business Podcast:

Business Wars

Wondery

Best Comedy Podcast:

Why Won't You Date Me? with Nicole Byer

Team Coco

Best DIY Podcast:

Queer News

E3 Radio

Best Documentary Podcast:

Bone Valley

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Best Entertainment Podcast (Sponsored by *The Hollywood Reporter*):

Scamfluencers

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Best Fiction Podcast

Last Known Position

QCODE

Best History Podcast:

Slow Burn: Roe v. Wade

Slate

Best Indie Podcast (Sponsored by Stitcher):

Blind Landing

Blind Landing/Ari Saperstein

Best Interview Podcast:

The Assignment with Audie Cornish

CNN Audio

Best Knowledge, Science or Tech Podcast:

Ted Radio Hour

NPR

Best News Podcast:

What Next

Slate

Best Original Score and Music Supervision:

Jake Brennan, Matt Beaudoin, Ryan Spraker, and Bryce Kanzer for *Disgraceland*

Double Elvis

Best Performance in Audio Fiction:

Cole Sprouse and Sarah Yarkin for *Borrasca (Season 2)*

QCode

Best Personal Growth / Spirituality Podcast:

A Slight Change of Plans

Pushkin Industries

Best Podcast for Kids:

Tai Asks Why

CBC Podcasts

Best Podcast Host or Hosts:

Leah Wright Rigueur for *Reclaimed: The Story of Mamie Till-Mobley*

ABC News

Best Politics or Opinion Podcast:

Strict Scrutiny

Crooked Media

Best Production and Sound Design:

Twenty Thousand Hertz

Defacto Sound

Best Reporting:

Gilbert King and Kelsey Decker for *Bone Valley*

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Best Scriptwriting, Fiction::

Jenny Deiker Restivo and Nathalie Chicha for *I Hear Fear*

Wondery

Best Scriptwriting, Nonfiction (Sponsored by Castbox):

Erick Galindo and Alejandro Mendoza for *Ídolo: The Ballad of Chalino Sánchez*

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Best Society and Culture Podcast:

Ídolo: The Ballad of Chalino Sánchez

Sonoro, Futuro Media

Best Sports Podcast:

The Lead

Wondery

Best True Crime Podcast

Up and Vanished - The Trial of Ryan Duke

Tenderfoot TV

Best Wellness or Relationships Podcast:

Come As You Are

Pushkin Industries

ABOUT “STUFF YOU SHOULD KNOW”

If you've ever wanted to know about champagne, Satanism, the Stonewall Uprising, chaos theory, LSD, El Niño, true crime and Rosa Parks then look no further. Josh and Chuck have you covered. “Stuff You Should Know” is distributed by iHeartPodcasts and available on the iHeartRadio app and everywhere podcasts are heard.

ABOUT THE PODCAST ACADEMY

Founded in February 2020, The Podcast Academy is a not-for-profit professional membership organization that celebrates excellence in podcasting and elevates awareness of podcasts as an indispensable medium for entertainment, information, and creative expression. It values individual and organizational creators alike, of all backgrounds and means, and defines achievement through the values of quality, creativity, innovation, inclusion, and impact. The Podcast Academy provides community, professional development, and industry connections through inclusive, dynamic programming. For more information about The Podcast Academy, please visit www.thepodcastacademy.com and follow/like/subscribe on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [Linkedin](#).

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