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## **Hillsdale College Radio Students Named Finalists in Michigan Association of Broadcasters' 2024 College Audio Awards**

HILLSDALE, Mich. — Hillsdale College students were selected as Michigan Association of Broadcasters' 2024 College Audio Awards finalists in seven different categories. First place, second place, and honorable mention winners will be announced on March 18 at the MAB Student Broadcast Awards Luncheon in Lansing.

Hillsdale College students were selected as finalists in the following categories:

### Current Events Story:

- “The Policy Corner: Michigan Tax Reform” | Josh Barker ('23)
- “The Policy Corner: Right to Work Repeal” | Josh Barker ('23)
- “Israel War Special Report” | Abigail Snyder ('24)

### Daily Newscast/News Feature:

- “Spotlight on PFAs” | Therese Boudreaux ('24)
- “Lauren Smyth News” | Lauren Smith ('25)

### Editorial:

- “Gavin Listro Editorial” | Gavin Listro ('25)
- “Abigail Snyder Editorial” | Abigail Snyder ('24)

### Music Feature or Special:

- “The Timbrel and the Lyre” | Gwen Thompson ('25)
- “I've Got Aux” | Gavin Listro ('25), Bella Dix ('25), and Ally Hall ('25)

### On-Air Personality or Team:

- “Lauren Smyth” | Lauren Smith ('25)

### Promotional Announcement:

- “Wall Street Weekly Promo” | George Accola (‘25), Patrick Scott (‘26), and Joe Colaizzi (‘25)

Sports Feature:

- “Hillsdale Football's New Head Coach” | Evan Mick (‘26)
- “The Life of a Kicker” | Evan Mick (‘26)

“I am very proud of all of our students for their well-deserved honors,” said Scot Bertram, general manager of WRFH/Radio Free Hillsdale 101.7 FM. “Our students are driven to create high-quality audio content, and it is rewarding to see others recognize what we’re accomplishing at WRFH.”

WRFH is the student-run radio station of Hillsdale College. Since its founding in 2016, Hillsdale students have created thousands of hours of content and developed hundreds of episodes of radio shows focusing on a wide variety of topics. Over the years, WRFH students and programming have earned high honors, including 25 finalists and 16 winners of the Michigan Association of Broadcasters Student Broadcast Awards, 48 finalists and 7 winners of the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System Award, and 15 finalists and 5 winners of the College Broadcasters, Inc. awards.

To learn more about WRFH, click [here](#). For a full list of finalists, click [here](#).

For a high-resolution copy of the Hillsdale College clocktower logo, click [here](#).

### **About Hillsdale College**

Hillsdale College is an independent, nonsectarian, Christian liberal arts college located in southern Michigan. Founded in 1844, the College has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 6.4 million. For more information, visit [hillsdale.edu](http://hillsdale.edu).

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