## 2021 NZ Radio Awards Winners & Finalists

### Best Content Director / Content Team

**Winners**
- Matt Anderson, Amy Tempero, Christian Boston
- Will Mahey, Kris Edwards, Christian Boston
- Jason Winstanley, Edward Swift

**Finalists**
- Caitlin Cherry
- William Ray, Tim Watkin, William Saunders
- Bel Crawford, Nick Baldwin

### Best Entertainment Podcast

**Winners**
- Matt Heath, Mike Lane, James McDee, Jeremy Wells, Joseph Shaker, Joseph Dune

**Finalists**
- John Daniel, Guyon Espiner, William Ray, Tim Watkin, Veronica Schmidt, Adrian Hollay
- Emily O'Connell, Sharon Bredthall, Alixas Russell, Jessie Chiang
- Emi O'Connell, Jamie Staggsox, Rangi Powick, Adrian Hollay, Mark Jennings, Tim Watkin
- Susie Ferguson, William Saunders, Liz Carter, Tim Watkin

### Best News/Current Affairs Podcast

**Winners**
- John Daniell, Guyon Espiner, William Ray, Tim Watkin, Veronica Schmidt, Adrian Hollay
- Jeremy Anderell, Blair Staggsox, Rangi Powick, Adrian Hollay, Mark Jennings, Tim Watkin
- Susie Ferguson, William Saunders, Liz Carter, Tim Watkin

**Finalists**
- Emi O'Connell, Sharon Bredthall, Alixas Russell, Jessie Chiang
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- Susie Ferguson, William Saunders, Liz Carter, Tim Watkin

### Best Show Producer/Team - Music Show

**Winners**
- Troy Scott

**Finalists**
- Ben Humphrey, Juliet Wrathall, Heidi Roberts, Max Middleton
- Anna Herenstein, Sarah Mount, Jared Pickstock
- Dan Goodwin, Marcus Lloyd Richards

### Best Show Producer/Team - Talk Show

**Winners**
- Annabel Reid, Bridget Burke, Lydia Batham, Flip Keene

**Finalists**
- Laura Beattie
- Heather du Plessis-Allen Drive
- Laura Beattie

### Best Station Imaging

**Winners**
- Alistair Cockburn, Brynee Wilson

**Finalists**
- Flava Railaungh
- ZM's Best of the Last Decade
- The Rock Network

### Best Station Trailer

**Winners**
- ZM's $100k Secret Sound

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### Best Video

**Winners**
- NZ Hip Hop Stand-Up

**Finalists**
- NZ Hip Hop Stand-Up
- The Blackie Award

### The Blackie Award

**Winners**
- Chris Graham, Nigel McCulloch, Alice Murray, Tim Burnett, Kay Elmers

**Finalists**
- Chris Graham, Nigel McCulloch, Alice Murray, Tim Burnett, Kay Elmers
- Rock Drive with Jay and Dunc 'Poo Towns 100'
- The Blackie Award
### Best Programmes

#### Best Access Radio Programme

**Winner**

It's Getting Hot in Here
Laura Gartner, Tanya Oldham, Victoria Harwood, Sheldon Murtha
Plains FM

**Finalists**

Namaste Nepal
Binoj Parajuli
Plains FM

The C Word
Helen King
Planet FM

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#### Best Children’s Programme

**Winner**

Namgji’s Great Science Adventures
Michelle Dickinson, Sophie Fens, Bengi Povick, Liz cardboard, Kate Speirs, Jocelyn Bunch, Tim Watkin
RNZ & Nanogirl Labs

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#### Best Daily or Weekly Feature - Factual

**Winner**

The Service
John Daniel, Guyon Everingham, William Ray, Tim Watkin, Veronica Schmidt, Adrian Holley
RNZ & Bred of Maitake

**Finalists**

Voices from Antarctica
Alison Ballance, Phil Benge, William Saunders
RNZ National

Windows of Shusha
Janneth CQ, Liz cardboard, Alex Harmer, Bryony Lastowski, Tim Watkin, Justin Gregory
RNZ & Plains FM

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#### Best Documentary or Factual Talk Feature

**Winner**

Coca-Cola Christmas on The Breeze
Will Makey, Kris Edwards, Braydon Priest, Dixon Nacey
The Breeze Network

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#### Best Music Feature

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The Breeze Network

**Finalists**

Poo Towns
Jeremy Pickford, Jay Reeve, Duncan Heyde, Jack Honeybone, Raynor Perreau, Joe Barden, Grant Brodie
The Rock Network

Rocktober 2020
Mike Lane, Cog Preble, Joseph Durie, Tom Harper, Claire Chellens, Jacki Polkinghorne
Radio Hauraki Network

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#### Best Music Host or Team - Non Surveyed Market

**Winner**

Breakfast with Brent & Jacque
More FM Rodney

**Finalists**

Ocean Ford Breakfast
Jack Van Der Heyden, Carlos Hunia
Sun FM

The Andrew Leiataua Breakfast Show
More FM Taupo

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### Best Hosts

#### Best Breakfast Show - Music Network

**Winner**

ZM’s Fletch, Vaughan & Megan
Carl Fletcher, Vaughan Smith, Megan Pappas, Anna Hemswit, Sarah Mount, Jared Pickford
ZM Network

**Finalists**

The Morning Rumble
Roger Farrelly, Andrew Mulligan, Bryce Casey, Ryan Maguire, Guy Mansell, Mel Abbot
The Rock Network

Dom, Meg and Randell
Dom Harvey, Meg Mansell, Clint Randell, Hamish Phipps, Alex Mullin
The Edge Network

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#### Best Host - Music Network

**Winner**

Robert Scott
The Breeze Network Drive Show
The Breeze Network

**Finalists**

Steep Monks
The Edge Workday
The Edge Network

Jan Bainbridge
The Rock Workday
The Rock Network

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#### Best Team Show - Music Network

**Winner**

Rock Drive with Jay and Dunc
Jay Reeve, Duncan Heyde, Jeremy Pickford, Jack Honeybone
The Rock Network

**Finalists**

2M’s Bree & Clint
Bree Tomasel, Clint Roberts, Ben McDowell, Anastasia Luefken, CB Harwood
ZM Network

Jay-Jay & Flynny
Jay-Jay Feeney, Paul Flynn, Dave Rybinski, George Smith, Matt Anderson, Christian Boston
More FM Network

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#### Best Music Breakfast Show - Local

**Winner**

Cal & P
Callum Procter, Patrina Roche
The Hits Dunedin

**Finalists**

John, Flash and Toast
John Marley, Angela Gordon, Tashia Talke, Tashi Lemmea, Dean McGovern, Elena Miller
More FM Northland

Robert & Jeannette
Robert Bakstie, Jeanette Thomas, Tanya Burgess, Will Makey
The Breeze Auckland

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#### Best Music Host - Local

**Winner**

Will Johnson
The Hits Bay of Plenty

**Finalists**

Amber Russell
More FM Canterbury

Sue White
The Breeze Canterbury

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#### Best Talk Presenter - Breakfast or Drive

**Winner**

Lisa Owen
Checkpoint
RNZ National

**Finalists**

Mike Hosking
The Mike Hosking Breakfast
Newstalk ZB Network

Heather du Plessis-Allan
Heather du Plessis-Allan Drive
Newstalk ZB Network

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#### Best Talk Presenter - Other

**Winner**

Marcus Lush
Marcus Lush Nights
Newstalk ZB Network

**Finalists**

Kathryn Ryan
Nine to Noon
RNZ National

Kim Hill
Saturday Morning
RNZ National
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- Best New Broadcaster - Journalist: Charlotte Cook
- Best New Broadcaster - Off-Air: Dayna Ruka
- Best New Broadcaster - On-Air: Steeph Mah
- Best News & Sport: Barry Soper
- Best News or Sports Journalist: Nicola Wright
- Best News Story - Team Coverage: Nicole Tait
- Best Sports Reader, Presenter or Commentator: Mike Lane
- Best Sports Story - Team Coverage: Mike Lane
- Best Promotion: The Vibe with V Energy
- Best Client Promotion/Activation: Sharpie & Jayden's Give Us a Tow with RJ's
- Best Marketing Campaign: A Christmas Special Like No Other - Christmas on the Breeze
## Best Network Station Promotion

**Winner**  
Coca-Cola Christmas on The Breeze  
Winner: Will Maley, Tiffany Montgomery, Braydon Pint, Nicky Ramon, Sarah Nicksn-Clark, Carl Thompson  
The Breeze Network

**Finalists**  
Ding Dong Ditch  
Winner: Jacqueline Williams, Brad King, Reeve White, Jack Honeybone, Sophie Currie, Michael Baker, Ricky Bannister, Emily Reid, Joe Basenbide, Hold Conch, Aileen Lau  
The Rock Network  
The Rock 2000  
Winner: Caitlin Coffey, Ben Devkuri, Dena Roberts, Finlay Robertson, Angela Weekind, Ricky Bannister, Grant Bridge, Casey Sullivan  
The Edge Network

**Best Single Market Station Promotion**  
**Winner**  
Emile & the Magic Kennel  
Winner: Will Maley, Tiffany Montgomery, Jeanette Thomas, Robert Rakete, Grace Ellynd  
The Breeze Auckland

**Finalists**  
Christmas Pass the Parcel  
Winner: Jess Taylor, Todd Fisher, Hillary Schneider, Mitch Fulton, Nikita  
More FM Canterbury  
The Morning Rumble "Day on the Darts"  
Winner: Bryce Casey, Roger Farnell, Andrew Mulligan  
The Rock Network

**Best Website and Social Content**  
**Winner**  
The Edge Network  
Winner: Ricky Bannister, Jerome Sears, MediaWorks Digital Team  
The Edge Network

**Finalists**  
The Rock  
Winner: Michael Baker, Raynor Perreau, MediaWorks Digital Team  
The Rock Network  
Radio Hauraki & the ACC  
Winner: Joseph Durie, Tom Harper, Joseph Connich, Sophie Currie, Kihana Jones, Rylah Hadaway  
ZM Network

**Associated Craft Award**  
**Winner**  
MediaWorks Technology Team  
Winner: Mike Heard, Christian Shearer, Kieran Connellan, Brad Vright, Bob Stewart, Blake Beale, Jim Cowan, Richard Brayne, WE Plummer, Bradley Hamilton, Ray Smith, Tony Croninaw, Drew Cookson, Christopher Smith, Graham Vright, Andrew Scott, Emma Michell, Peter Wallace, Bradley Bacon  
MediaWorks

**Finalists**  
MediaWorks Trade Marketing Team  
Winner: Jessica James, Melissa Stephenhouse, Kat Blackbum, Alex Kanny  
MediaWorks

MediaWorks Integration Team  
Winner: Sunshine Moore, Nicki Flint, Sam West, Ben Devkuri, Nicki Connich, Amber Howard, Jessie Matheson, Finlay Robertson, Aileen Lau, Penny Quay, Jarrod Stevensen, Jess Smith, Abby Lawrence, Letaise O'Reilly, Avin Bead, Sophie Currie, Kihana Jones, Rylah Hadaway  
MediaWorks

## Best Community Campaign

**Winner**  
Coca-Cola Christmas on The Breeze  
Winner: Will Maley, Tiffany Montgomery, Nicky Ramon, Sarah Nicksn-Clark  
The Breeze Network

**Finalists**  
Northland Rescue Helicopter Fundraiser  
Winner: John Markby, Angela Gordon, Tausha Tekani, Tanih Ieremia, Dean McGovern, Emma Miller  
More FM Northland  
The Morning Rumble "Day on the Darts"  
Winner: Bruce Casey, Roger Farnell, Andrew Mulligan  
The Rock Network

## Sales Team of the Year

**Winner**  
NZME Auckland  
Winner: Neil Jackson, Tawesie Haywood-Brown, Chelsea Norman, Ellyn Ricketts  
NZME

**Finalists**  
MediaWorks Gisborne  
Winner: Debby Cresswell, Mandy Fitzgerald, Ander Bataritta  
MediaWorks Gisborne  
MediaWorks Waikato  
Winner: MacDonald, Sarah Morrison, Stew Mekhose, Andrew Walsh, Desdem Robertson  
MediaWorks Waikato

## Best Radio Creative

## Best Commercial Campaign

**Winner**  
Far North Reg & Waka Kotahi "Think"  
Winner: Richard Matthews, BenjamFrench, Hope Ethersington, Kevin Ethersington  
MediaWorks

**Finalists**  
Spokesmen - Friday the 13th  
Winner: Alastair Barran, Chris Hurting  
MediaWorks  
Taupo Violence Intervention - Unspoken Rules  
Winner: Tracy O'Halloran, Lisa Soden, James Irvin, Stephen Lovatt, Jono Mar, Liam O'Halloran, Chris Ryan  
NZME

## Best Commercial Production

**Winner**  
NIC - No Sense It Makes  
Winner: Chris Hurting, Alastair Barran  
MediaWorks

**Finalists**  
NZTA Northland Road Safety  
Winner: Leanne McDonald, Andrea Hawridge, Glenn O'wright, Tess Jamieson-Korah  
NZME

Spokesmen - Christ  
Winner: Chris Hurting, Alastair Barran, Michael Weightman  
MediaWorks

Rock Fishing - CAPS Hauraki  
Winner: Ben French, Hamish Nisson, Daeley Davidson  
MediaWorks

## Best Single Commercial

**Winner**  
Taupo Violence Intervention - Born to be a Man  
Winner: Tracy O'Halloran, Lisa Soden, James Irvin, Stephen Lovatt  
NZME

**Finalists**  
Rock Fishing - CAPS Hauraki  
Winner: Hamish Nisson, BenjamFrench, Glenn O'wright, Andrea Hawridge, Leanne McDonald, Tess Jamieson-Korah  
NZME

NZTA Northland Road Safety - Speed Kills  
Winner: Leanne McDonald, Andrea Hawridge, Glenn O'wright, Tess Jamieson-Korah  
NZME

## Best Voice Talent

**Winner**  
Hannah Venesman  
Winner: MediaWorks

**Finalists**  
Andy George  
Winner: More FM

Richie Simpson  
Winner: ZM Network
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