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2019 BOARD OF GOVERNORS AWARD HONOREE ANNOUNCED

Reston, VA, April 16, 2019 --- The National Capital Chesapeake Bay Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS-NCCB) is pleased to announce the 2019 Board of Governors Award honoree. All honors will be presented at the 61st Emmy® Awards Gala on Saturday, June 22nd at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center in North Bethesda, Maryland.

The **Board of Governors Award** reaches beyond those usually awarded for television news and production by recognizing achievements by individuals, organizations or companies in community service or other worthwhile endeavors within the National Capital Chesapeake Bay's region. Historically, the Board of Governors Award is presented for truly outstanding achievement and unique accomplishment of some duration and durability. This year, the award will be presented to **Maryland Public Television** for 50 years of enriching lives and strengthening communities.

Since their first telecast in 1969, MPT has become more than Maryland's only statewide broadcaster. Now more than ever, MPT plays an essential role in preK-12 education, civic engagement and public safety. MPT's goal is to enrich lives and strengthen communities. Among the many ways they achieve this is by creating valuable media-based learning tools and producing programs fostering thoughtful discussions on important topics.

"The Chapter has a tremendous champion in MPT as they celebrate 50 years of ongoing commitment to public broadcasting and their pledge to continue to serve its diverse audiences for generations to come," said Chapter President, Les Heintz. "MPT's contributions to the community and local journalism are immeasurable," he added.

To purchase dinner tickets or tables for the 61st Emmy® Awards, visit www.capitalemmys.tv/emmys after the Emmy® Nominations have been announced on May 15th. Questions should be directed to info@capitalemmys.org or by phone at 703-234-4055.

The National Capital Chesapeake Bay Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences was established in 1958 and is an organization comprised of more than 900 television broadcast professionals dedicated to fostering and recognizing outstanding achievements in television production throughout the National Capital Chesapeake Bay region.

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