

IAPA Press Freedom Award

The Inter American Press Association began awarding the press freedom awards in 1955 to highlight those journalists who stood out for their work on behalf of press freedom. Years before, in 1953, the Mergenthaler Company donated \$ 2,500 to IAPA for this purpose. IAPA then installed the Awards Committee, which subsequently added other categories.

These are the winners of the Press Freedom Award:

- 1955 - Roberto García Peña, *El Tiempo*, Bogota, Colombia
- 1956 - Antonio Oliva, *La Crónica de Lima*, Lima, Peru
- 1957 - Pedro G. Beltrán, *La Prensa*, Lima, Peru
- 1958 - Gabriel Cano, *El Espectador*, Bogota, Colombia
- 1959 - Jorge Quintana, *Bohemia*, Havana, Cuba
- 1960 - Not awarded
- 1961 - Not awarded
- 1962 - Not awarded
- 1963 - John R. Reitemeyer, USA
- 1964 - Not awarded
- 1965 - Diario *La Prensa*, Managua, Nicaragua
- 1966 - Héctor González Valenzuela, *El Rancaguino*, Rancagua, Chile
- 1967 - F. Genaro Greco, *La Voz del Pueblo*, Tres Arroyos, Argentina
- 1968 - Not awarded
- 1969 - Sir Etienne Dupuch, *The Tribune de Nassau*, Bahamas
- 1970 - Bernardino de Jesús Sayago, *El Liberal*, Santiago del Estero, Argentina
- 1971 - Carlos Castello Branco, *Jornal do Brasil*, Brazil
- 1972 - Arturo Fontaine, *El Mercurio*, Santiago, Chile
- 1973 - Penny Lernoux, *Copley News Service*, USA
- 1974 - Julio de Mesquita Neto, *O Estado*, Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 1975 - Enrique Zileri Gibson, *Caretas*, Lima, Peru y Arturo Salazar Larraín, *La Prensa*, Lima, Peru
- 1976 - Jorge Remonda Ruibal, *La Voz del Interior*, Cordoba, Argentina
- 1977 - Germán E. Ornes, *El Caribe*, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
- 1978 - William B. Williamson, *Brazil Herald*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 1979 - Vicente Izaguirre. He accepted the award on behalf of the Cuban journalists.
- 1980 - Emilio Filipi Murato, *Revista Hoy*, Santiago, Chile

- 1981 - Not awarded
- 1982 - Pedro Joaquín Chamorro Barrios, *La Prensa*, Managua, Nicaragua y Keneth Gordon, *Trinidad Express*, Port Spain
- 1983 - Not awarded
- 1984 - Leslie Pierre, *The Grenadian Voice*, Granada
- 1985 - Aldo Zuccolillo, *ABC Color*, Asuncion, Paraguay
- 1986 - Germán E. Ornes, *El Caribe*, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
- 1987 - Guillermo Cano (posthumous) *El Espectador*, Bogota, Colombia
- 1988 - Roberto Eisenmann y Winston Robles, *La Prensa*, Panama
- 1989 - Colombian Journalists: "Who work courageously and without fear for Freedom of the Press, condemning the murderers by the drug cartels."
- 1990 - Elizardo Sanchez Santa Cruz, Hubert Jeréz e Hiram Abi Cobas, Cuba
- 1991 - Ricardo Elvio Trotti, *El Liberal*, Santiago del Estero, Argentina
- 1992 - Guillermo Martínez Marquez, USA
- 1993 - Eustorgio Colmenares, Colombia
- 1994 - Manuel de Dios Unanue, USA
- 1995 - Fernando Guier, Costa Rica; Leonard Marks, USA; German E. Ornes, Dominican Republic; Horacio Aguirre, USA; Richard Dyer, Costa Rica; Héctor Dávalos, Mexico; George Beebe and James Canel, USA
- 1996 - Bureau of Independent Journalists from Cuba; Habana Press; Cuba Press; Patria; Independent Journalists Association from Cuba
- 1997 - Elie Abel, Washington, DC, USA
- 1998 - Germán E. Ornes, *El Caribe*, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
- 1999 - Vladimiro Roca, Félix Bonne, René Gómez Manzano y Marta Beatriz Roque, Cuba
- 2000 - Prensa Colombiana
- 2001 - El Comercio, Lima, Peru; La República, Lima, Peru; La Industria de Trujillo, Peru; Caretas, Lima, Peru
- 2002 - Jesús Blancornelas, *Zeta*, Tijuana, Mexico
- 2003 - To the newspapers, radio and television of Venezuela: Bloque de Prensa; Camara de Radio, Federación de Televisión y Colegio de Periodistas
- 2004 - Francisco J. Ortiz Franco (posthumous), *Semanario Zeta*, Tijuana, Mexico
- 2005 - *La Nación* of Costa Rica and journalists Giannina Segnini y Ernesto Rivera, Costa Rica
- 2006 - Alfredo Jiménez Mota, *El Imparcial*, Hermosillo, Mexico

- 2007 - Marcel Granier, RCTV, Caracas, Venezuela
- 2008 - Not awarded
- 2009 - Al Neuharth, USA
- 2010 - Guillermo Zuloaga, *Globovisión*, Caracas, Venezuela
- 2011 - Robert J. Cox, USA
- 2012 - César Ricaurte, *Fundamedios*, Ecuador
- 2013 - Magdalena Ruiz Guiñazú, Argentina and Diego Cornejo Menacho, Ecuador
- 2014 - ANDIARIOS, Asociación Colombiana de Editores de Diarios y Medios Informativos, Colombia
- 2015 - Xavier Bonilla (Bonil) *El Universo*, Ecuador
- 2016 – AEDEP (Asociación Ecuatoriana de Editores de Periódicos), Ecuador
- 2017 - Luis Almagro, Secretary General of the Organization of American States
- 2018 - Independent journalists from Nicaragua
- 2019 - Jineth Bedoya, Colombia