
The Times became the first U.S. paper to win the award since it last earned the honor in 2009. It also won “World’s Best-Designed Web Site™” in the SND “Best of Digital Design™” competition, the first organization to win both in the same year. And, The Times led the way with 140 total awards and seven Gold medals.

“Reading The Times is like taking a masterclass in visual storytelling,” wrote the judges in the print competition. “The Times’ renewed commitment to, and space for, special news sections is exemplary.”

The judges said that Het Parool, based in Amsterdam, is “a rollicking journey through the Netherlands.” It is the second year in a row Het Parool has been given the award.

Die Zeit, which has been judged World’s Best 11 times, is “impeccable from front to back. It feels like their best team works on every page of the newspaper.”

This is the third consecutive year that Die Zeit has reached the top of news design as a World’s Best-Designed Newspaper.

The Society issued 1,029 design awards for journalism published in 2017.

The winners came from 5,891 entries submitted by daily and nondaily newspapers and magazines in 36 countries. Coverage of the judging is at www.snd.org.

In the 20 competition categories, judges awarded 13 Gold Medals, 44 Silver Medals, four Judges’ Special Recognitions and 961 Awards of Excellence.

Judges awarded Golds to work from the Los Angeles Times, Time Magazine, the Plain Dealer in Cleveland, Die Zeit and Die Welt of Germany, and Verdens Gang of Norway.

The number of entries was down from 2017 (5,891 vs. 6,671) and the overall number of awards was down (1,029 vs. 1,145).

The competition recognizes excellence in newspaper design, graphics and photography.

Twenty-six judges from around the globe met in February in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The judges were: Syed Mohammad Arshad, Design Editor Gulf News; Michael Babin, design team leader, Gannett Nashville Design Studio; David Schutz, A.M.E., South Florida Sun Sentinel; Gigi Suhanic, design editor, the Financial Post in Toronto; Tammy Yttri, Copy Desk Chief, Omaha World-Herald; Jamey Fry, creative director, Washington Business Journal; Elizabeth Burr, design director, San Francisco Chronicle; Nuri Ducassi, creative director, Toronto Star; Carrie Gee, senior art director, Time Magazine; Rodrigo Sánchez, art and creative director, El Mundo in Spain; Fred Bierman, designer, The New York Times; Arne Depuydt, general art director, De Morgen; Elizabeth Burr, design director, San Francisco Chronicle; Nuri Ducassi, creative director, Toronto Star; Carrie Gee, senior art director, Time Magazine; Rodrigo Sánchez, art and creative director, El Mundo in Spain; Fred Bierman, designer, The New York Times; Arne Depuydt, general art director, De Morgen; Kristin Lenz, Art Director, Inc. Magazine; Jan Kny, deputy art director, Die Zeit; Frank Mina, design director, The Seattle Times; Chloe Cushman, freelance illustrator, writer and artist; Kat Downs Mulder, director of product, The Washington Post; Paul Gonzales, deputy design director, Los Angeles Times; Deb Pastner, director of photo and multimedia at the Star Tribune in Minneapolis; Anne Farrar, director of photography, National Geographic Travel; David Kordalski, creative director, Crain’s; Mike Rice, features design director, Star Tribune in Minneapolis; Tim Ball, creative director, Politico Europe; Ana Gueller, art director, La Nación in Argentina; John Koning, art director, Het Parool; Greg Manifold, design director, The Washington Post; Deborah Withey, consultant.

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**World’s Best Designed**

**The New York Times**
New York, N.Y.

**Het Parool**
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

**Die Zeit**
Hamburg, Germany

**Top Award Winners**

1. The New York Times 140
2. The Washington Post 111
3. Los Angeles Times 59
4. Buffalo News 58
5. Minneapolis Star Tribune 48
6. National Geographic 38
7. El Mundo (Spain) 32
8. South China Morning Post 31
9. Omaha World-Herald 30
10. Die Zeit 28

**29 Countries Awarded**

Argentina 7
Australia 3
Belgium 19
Brazil 12
Canada 30
China 35
Colombia 4
Costa Rica 1
Denmark 21
El Salvador 3
England/Great Britain 9
Finland 8
Germany 53
India 3
Italy 6
Japan 1
México 42
The Netherlands 3
Norway 9
Oman 31
Peru 3
Portugal 4
Russia 1
Singapore 2
Spain 32
Sweden 8
Switzerland 1
United States 668
United Arab Emirates 8