



***THE ERIK VAN NESS
2023 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING CREATIVITY***

On November 19, 2002, Erik Van Ness lost his long battle with Cystic Fibrosis. With Erik's passing, the radio industry lost one of the most creative individuals to ever occupy a production studio.

In Erik's memory, Townsquare Media New Jersey, is proud to present this memorial scholarship in the hope of fostering the kind of creativity and passion he inspired in us. The scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, will be awarded to a New Jersey resident enrolled in an accredited college or university and majoring in broadcast television and/or radio production, or related courses. Related courses include broadcast journalism, audio production, and/or film/video production. Eligibility is at the sole discretion of the judges.

Applications will be judged on overall creativity, originality, production values, and impact to the listener.

Deadline for submitting application forms and supporting materials is **December 9, 2023**. A panel of broadcasters will review all applications. The most qualified applicant will be notified in mid-December of his/her award.

Questions about the scholarship application can be directed to Annette Petriccione at 800-388-6397 or annette.petriccione@townsquaremedia.com.

To apply, students should complete the application form below.

In addition to the application, applicants should also submit the following:

1. A brief statement explaining their interest in broadcasting, how they expect to develop this interest and experience they have had so far in this field in high school, college or professionally.
2. A brief biography.
3. A letter of recommendation from a person qualified to judge their performance and/or aptitude for a career in broadcasting.
4. A short note from their instructor or advisor evaluating their overall academic ability.



5. Some representative sample (audio, video, or written) of their work in the field for evaluation by the judges. Work can be submitted via flash drive/USB, video/audio/written link, mp3 attachment, shared Google Drive link, or Word/Adobe Acrobat document.

Completed application materials can be submitted via mail or email:

Mail Application Forms To:

Townsquare Media
Attention: Annette Petriccione, NJ 101.5 News Director
109 Walters Ave.
Ewing, NJ 08638

Email Application Forms To:

annette.petriccione@townsquaremedia.com



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APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____ Current Class: _____

Name of College or University: _____

College Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home/School Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE:

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE:

PROFESSIONAL BROADCAST EXPERIENCE (if any):

INCLUDE:

Statement of Interest

Biographical Sketch

Letter of Recommendation

Academic Evaluation

Work Sample (if mailing – flash drive/USB is best. If emailing - mp3 format or link is best.)

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