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**AWARDS**  
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# GRAND PRIZE AWARDS

## Exceptional Achievement in Interactive Communications

**Knowledge for College 2022**  
Molly Grace Watkins  
UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE



## Exceptional Achievement in Audio-Visual Communications

**Thirddhand**  
Davis Smith, Laila Al-Hagal, and Mary Hardy-Bos  
UNION UNIVERSITY



## Exceptional Achievement in Photography

**The Play That Goes Wrong**  
Camille Grochowski  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



## Exceptional Achievement in Feature Writing

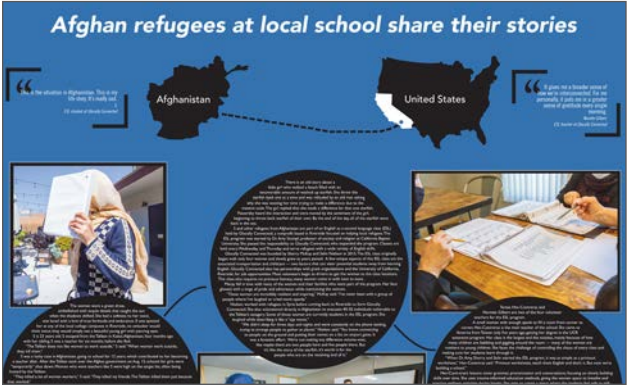
**Thank You, Stranger**  
Grace Crandall  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



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## Exceptional Achievement in News Writing

**Afghan refugees at local school share their stories**  
Lauren Brooks  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



**A Crisis of Faith: Pursuing Christ at a Christian School**  
Noel Moore  
UNION UNIVERSITY



## Exceptional Achievement in Design

**Baylor Roundup 2022: A New Perspective**  
Roundup Staff  
BAYLOR UNIVERSITY



**Pursuit, Fall 2022**  
Caleb Chong, Kia Harlan  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

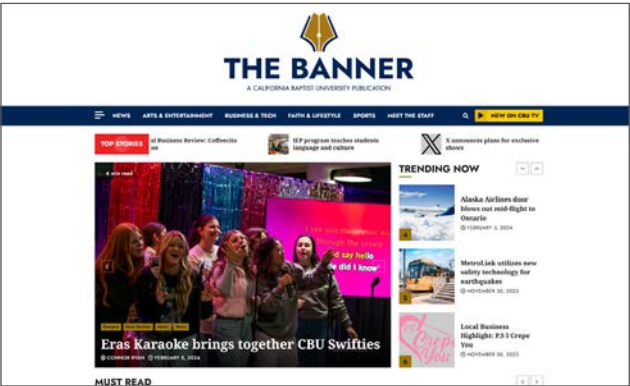




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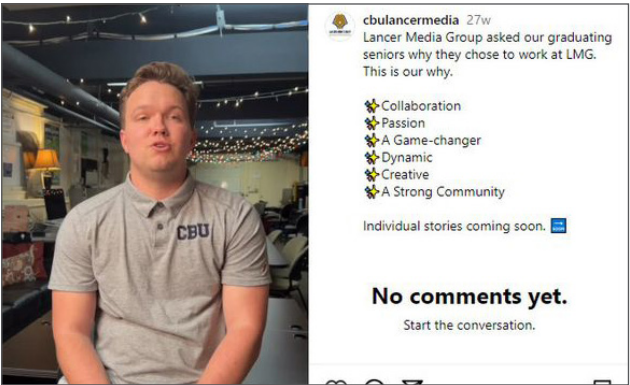
**The Banner**  
Lancer Media Group  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



Social Media: Single Post

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Why LMG?**  
Anna Clara Beretta Zeni  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



Social Media: Campaign or event

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Knowledge for College 2022**  
Molly Grace Watkins  
UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE



2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Tiny Mic Tuesdays**  
Molly Grace Watkins  
UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE

Video: Storytelling  
Less than 1 minute

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Rascal Day**  
Caroline Spikes  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY



2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Man detained by BUPD on campus now indicted for capital murder**  
Kaity Kempf  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

Video: Storytelling  
1-3 minutes

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Hook**  
Cole Arndorfer and Jace Lobner  
HANNIBAL-LAGRANGE UNIVERSITY



2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Baylor student kicks cancer for second time**  
Alexandra Laurence  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**Parking Issues on Campus**  
Chris Todd  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

IMAGES FROM FIRST PLACE WINNERS ARE  
DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT.

Video: Storytelling  
More than 3 minutes

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Thirdhand**  
Davis Smith, Laila Al-Hagal, and Mary Hardy-Bos  
UNION UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Hazel: A Documentary on Midwifery**  
Victor Roy, Connor Loyd, and Donovan Wyatt  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**Stunt Coach Discusses What It Means to Be a Champion**  
Brett Rosen  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Video: Promotion  
1-3 minutes

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**My HLGU Story**  
Natalia Cuesta and Jace Lobner  
HANNIBAL-LAGRANGE UNIVERSITY

Video: Special Effects

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Tim Tebow Speaks at Samford (photo treatment)**  
Wheat Bailey  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY



Video: Other

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Samford News Network**  
Staff, Samford News Network  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Lariat TV News Today**  
Lariat TV News Staff  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

Audio: Broadcast/Podcast  
Overall Show

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Don't Feed the Bears**  
Foster Nicholas, Harper Mayfield  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

Audio: Broadcast/Podcast  
Individual Episode

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Israel Podcast**  
HLGU Communication Studies Students  
HANNIBAL-LAGRANGE UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**C&C 03: On Reading Slumps**  
Katherine Anne Thierfelder, Mattie Washington, and  
Emma McDaniel  
UNION UNIVERSITY





Single  
Promotion, news, feature, or event coverage

**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE**  
**Dale Bonner's contested layup**  
Kenneth Prabhakar  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

**2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE**  
**Clash N Roll: CBU brings back a crowd favorite**  
Kia Harlan  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

**3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE**  
**Silent Protest**  
Harper Harwell  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

Series  
Promotion, news, feature, or event coverage

**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE**  
**The Play That Goes Wrong**  
Camille Grochowski  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

**2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE**  
**Come Back to Me**  
Laila Al-Hagal and Rebekah Marcotte  
UNION UNIVERSITY

**3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE**  
**Trump visits Waco**  
Kenneth Prabhakar  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA



Portrait  
**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE**  
**Magic Man: Jason Shum builds community with spontaneous close-up magic across campus**  
Caleb Chong, Kia Harlan  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

**2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE - TIE**  
**Charles Pace: The Branch**  
Kenneth Prabhakar  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

**2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE - TIE**  
**Legacy**  
Kenneth Prabhakar  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

**3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE**  
**Portrait of Aaliyah Taylor**  
Gabby Bass-Butler  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY



Single Article

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Afghan refugees at local school share their stories**  
Lauren Brooks  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Students discuss accessibility on campus**  
Mackenzie Simms  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**Man indicted for capital murder previously held by Baylor police**  
Ana Ruiz Brictson, Kaity Kempf  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA



Series or Package

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Coverage of LGBTQ+ issues on campus**  
Harper Harwell, Rebekah Crozier, and Olivia Koepp  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Black History Month celebrated**  
Ignacio Dominguez, Megan Madrigal  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Opinion/Editorial

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

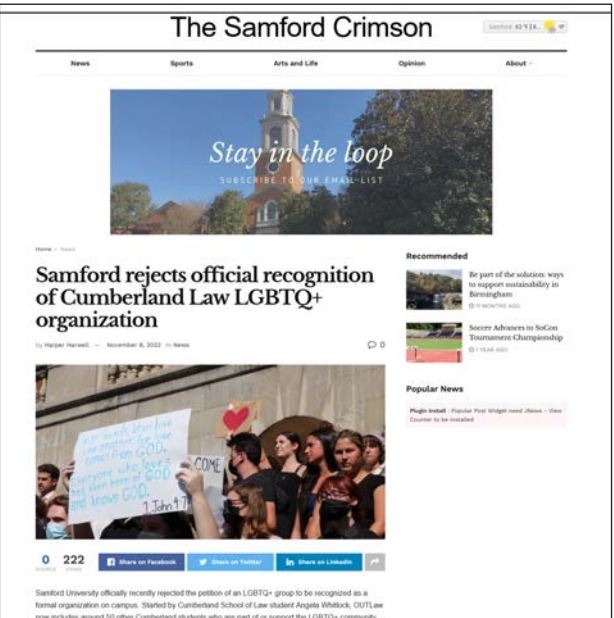
**A Crisis of Faith: Pursuing Christ at a Christian School**  
Noel Moore  
UNION UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Stop taking unpaid internships**  
Emily McGinn  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**Responding to Don Lemon's recent remarks**  
Rebekah Crozier  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY





Single Article

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

Thank You, Stranger  
Grace Crandall  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

Dying and Death Education professor teaches  
students valuable lessons on grief, graves  
Avery Ballmann  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE - TIE

A More Perfect Union  
Noel Moore  
UNION UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE - TIE

A League of Her Own  
Gabby Bass-Butler  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE - TIE

Thanks to medical study, freshman no longer has  
deadly peanut allergy  
Matt Kyle  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA



Series

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

The Wizard of Oz: California Baptist University's  
take on the modern classic  
Claire Grimes  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

Coverage of Step Sing 2023  
Staff, The Samford Crimson  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY



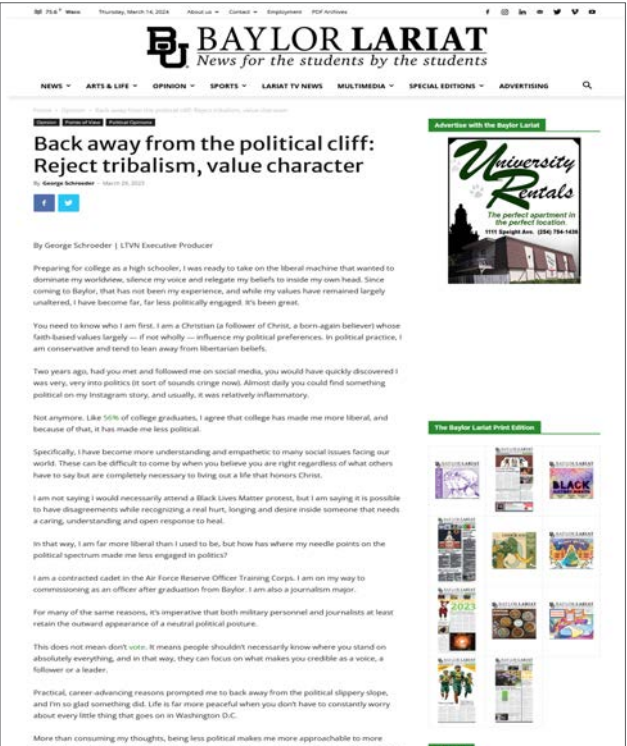
First Person Column/Blog

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

Back away from the political cliff  
George Schroeder  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

Crushed Expectations: Wrestling in the Wilderness  
Maddie Steele  
UNION UNIVERSITY





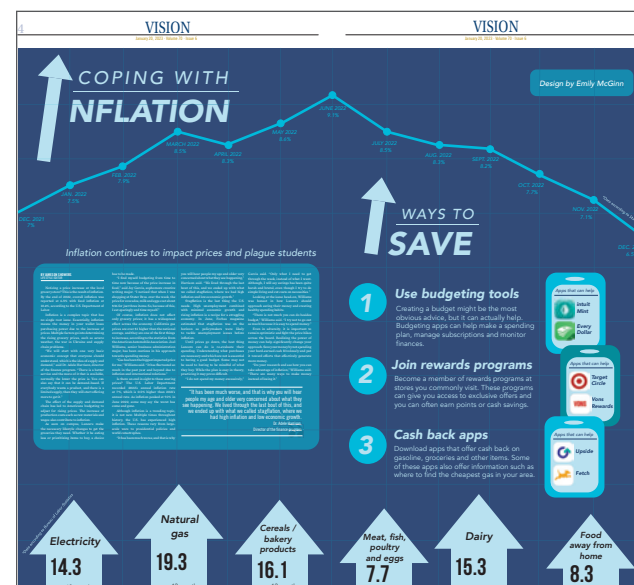
### Print Publications: Newspaper - Single Issue

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**The Samford Crimson**  
Staff, *The Samford Crimson*  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**The Banner**  
Emily McGinn, Alexza Bahnmler, Charissa Graves  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



### Print Publications: Newspaper - Spread

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Coping with Inflation**  
Emily McGinn  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Spring break binge**  
Rachel Royster  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

### Print Publications: Magazine - Single Issue

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Pursuit, Summer 2023**  
Caleb Chong, Madison Kirkland, Camille Grochowski  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Cardinal & Cream, Spring 2023 edition**  
Faith Orr  
UNION UNIVERSITY

#### 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**The Local**  
Staff, *The Local*  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

### Print Publications: Magazine - Cover

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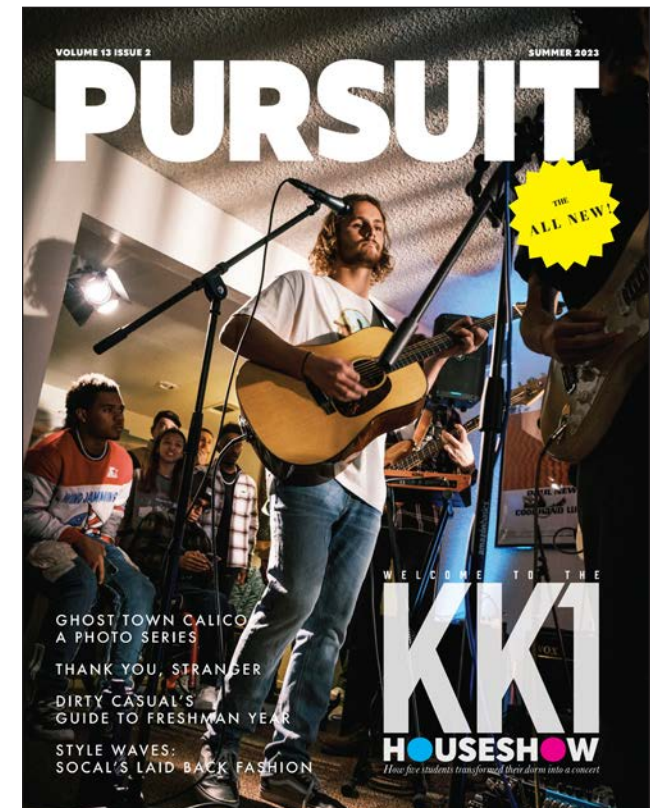
**Pursuit, Fall 2022**  
Caleb Chong, Kia Harlan  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Focus Magazine: Let's talk food**  
Mallory Harris, Skyla Mumana  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

#### 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**The Local**  
Staff, *The Local*  
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Print Publications: Magazine - Spread

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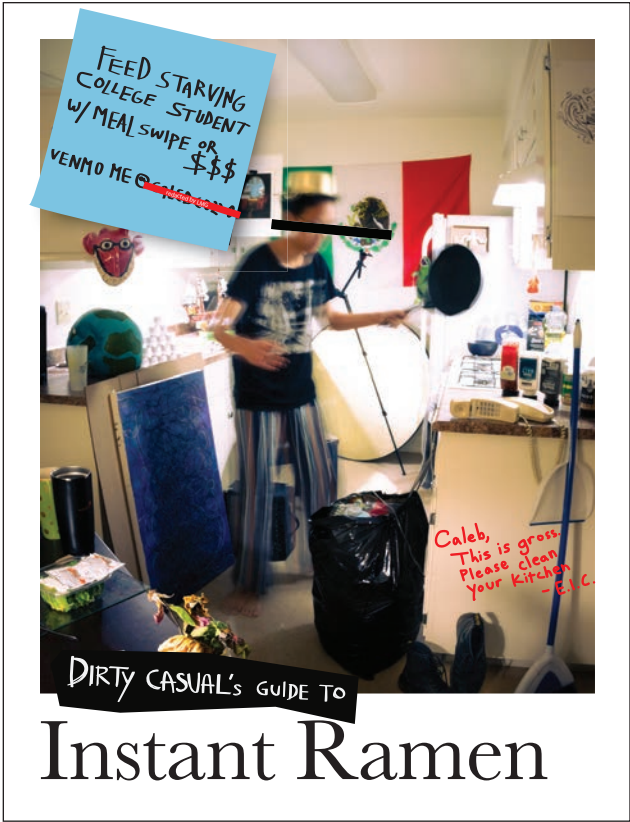
**Dirty Casual's Guide to Instant Ramen**  
Caleb Chong  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Changing Narratives**  
Claire Trammell  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**'A Home For Me, From The Beginning': How The Blair Family Has Found Their Place At Union Since 1988**  
Faith Orr  
UNION UNIVERSITY



Digital Publications: News Website

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**The Banner**  
Lancer Media Group  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Baylorldariat.com**  
Lariat Staff  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA



Design Elements: Logo

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Union Student Film Festival Logo**  
Emily Gray  
UNION UNIVERSITY



Print Publications: Yearbook - Single Edition

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Baylor Roundup 2022: A New Perspective**  
Roundup Staff  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Angelos**  
Kassidy Blount, Madison Kirkland, Kia Harlan  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



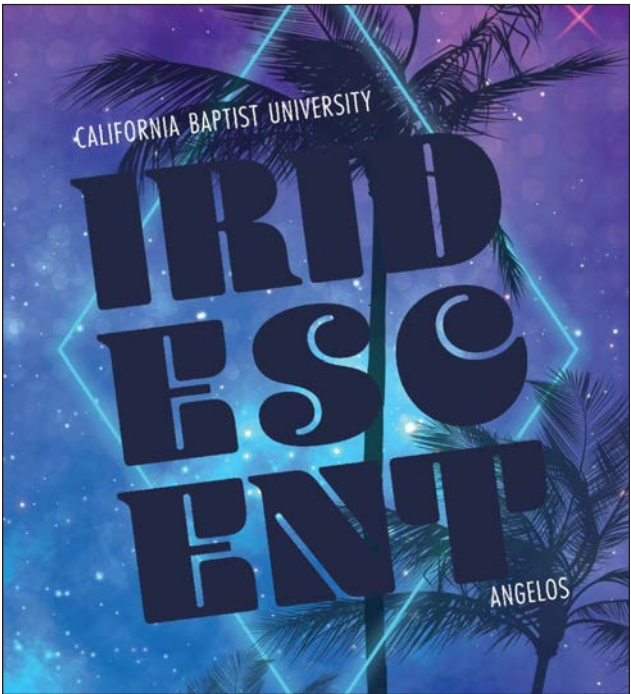
Print Publications: Yearbook - Cover

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CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Baylor Roundup 2022: A New Perspective**  
Morgan Dowler, Andreea Loghin  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA



Print Publications: Yearbook - Spread

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Almost there**  
Katrina Nguyen  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Lunar New Year: CBU celebrates Year of the Rabbit**  
Hannah Daily  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY





OVERALL PUBLICATION

Mixed Media Coverage

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Beto O’Rourke rallies Baylor students, Waco community to vote**  
**Kaity Kempf, Caitlyn Meisner, Katy Mae Turner**  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**Trump kicks off 2024 campaign in Waco**  
**Caitlyn Meisner, Kenneth Prabhakar, Luke Lattanzi, Jessica Rajkumar**  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

Magazine

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Cardinal & Cream, Spring 2023 edition**  
**Kirbi Cochran & Maddie Steele, Editors-in-Chief**  
UNION UNIVERSITY

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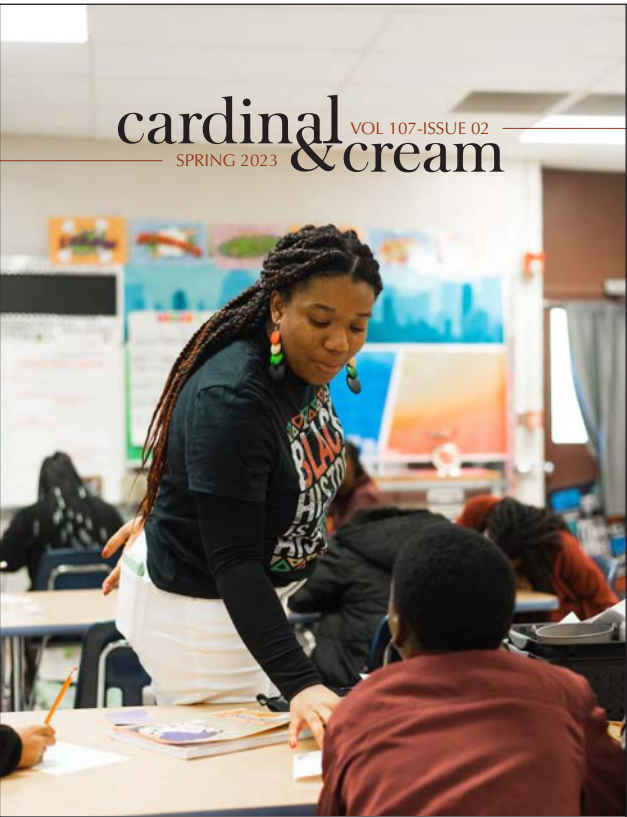
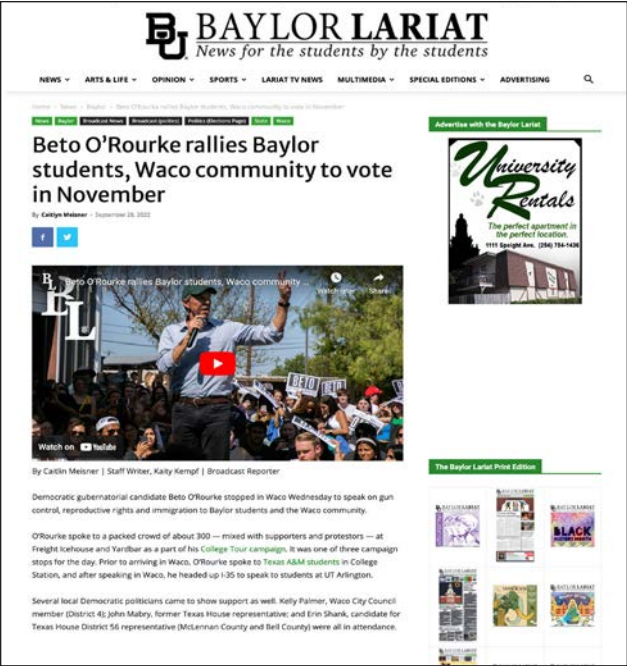
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**Staff, The Local**  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

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BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**Pursuit, Summer 2023**  
**Caleb Chong, Madison Kirkland, Camille Grochowski**  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



Newspaper

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**The Baylor Lariat**  
**Lariat Staff**  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

**The Banner**  
**Emily McGinn, Alexza Bahnmler, Charissa Graves**  
CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

**The Samford Crimson**  
**Staff, The Samford Crimson**  
SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

Yearbook

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE

**Baylor Roundup 2022: A New Perspective**  
**Roundup Staff**  
BAYLOR STUDENT MEDIA

2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE

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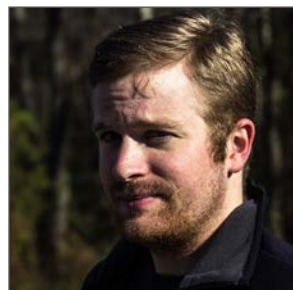
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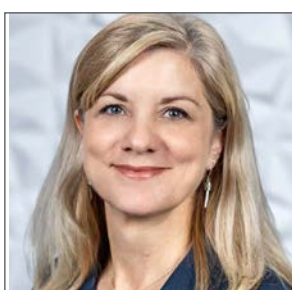
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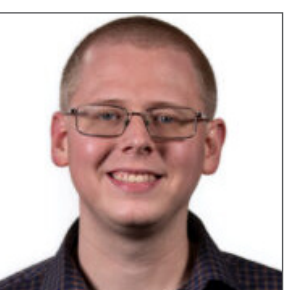
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