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WORK OF KENNEDY CLARION STUDENTS RECOGNIZED AT ANNUAL AWARDS FETE

Award-winning staffers from the *Kennedy Clarion* joined fellow student journalists from across the region for the 8th Annual Journalism Awards Dinner, held by the Sacramento High School Journalism Network at the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCoE).

Kennedy Students and Winning Categories are listed below:

Best Personal Column



SECOND PLACE

[“Does Our Divided Nation Make Kennedy a Divided Campus?”](#)

by **Adrianna Iorio** (Editor-in-Chief)

Best Criticism Writing



FIRST PLACE

[“Actress Yalitza Aparicio Slighted After ‘Roma’”](#)

by **Hana Ruiz & Liliana Lopez** (Copy Editor)



THIRD PLACE

[Shawn Mendes -- Album Review](#)

by **Kimberly Landeck** (Design Team)



HONORABLE MENTION

[‘Crazy Rich Asians’ -- Film Review](#)

by **Desiree Leong** (Managing Editor)

Best Editorial Writing



SECOND PLACE

[“Opinion: Legality, Morality, and Police Brutality”](#)

by **Parker Scarpa**

Best Editorial Writing (continued)



THIRD PLACE

[“Opinion: NIKE – Goddess of Victory and Advertising”](#)

by **Sid Slesicki** (Photo Editor)

Best Photography



SECOND PLACE

[Photo for “Water Polo Wading to Victory”](#)

by **Wendy Xiong**

Best Editorial Cartoon



FIRST PLACE

[“La Frontera”](#)

by **Hana Ruiz**

Best Graphic Art/Design



SECOND PLACE

[The Kennedy Clarion masthead](#)

by **Jenelle Lum & Kimberly Landeck**
(Design Team)

Students who are interested in the Journalism elective for 2019-2020 need to speak to their counselors about openings, ASAP.

Thank you for supporting your *Kennedy Clarion*!

More details from the awards dinner:

The event kicked off with 'Mistress of Ceremonies' Sharon Ito, a former broadcast journalist currently with Sacramento State, followed by remarks from Al Rogers, Ed.D., Sacramento Deputy Superintendent of Schools at SCoE (and former Kennedy High School administrator), and Matt Perry, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, Student Programs.

Other featured guests included Walt Yost, a journalist and Sacramento State professor, and Stu VanAirdale, faculty advisor for [The State Hornet](#) and freelance writer.

Featured Speaker Marcos Bretón, a columnist for the *Sacramento Bee*, spoke to the room about his background and accomplishments.



Parker Scarpa (Class of 2019) surveys Kennedy's winnings at the 8th Annual Journalism Awards Dinner, held by the Sacramento High School Journalism Network at the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCoE) on May 9, 2019.



Staffers for the Kennedy Clarion display their winnings at the 8th Annual Journalism Awards Dinner, held by the Sacramento High School Journalism Network at the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCoE) on May 9, 2019. Pictured (l-to-r): Hana Ruiz, Wendy Xiong, Lily Lopez, Kevin Chen, Adrianna Iorio, Parker Scarpa, Desiree Leong, Jenelle Lum, Kimberly Landeck.