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2011 AWARDS

FOR EDITORIAL EXCELLENCE



SOPA'S Mission

The Society of Publishers in Asia (SOPA) is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to best practices in professional publishing. It represents the interests of both local and international media brands in Asia.

SOPA provides the platform for Asian and international publishers to network and collaborate on areas of common industry concern. The society represents the interests of both business and editorial groups, and promotes ethical business and reporting practices. SOPA facilitates training and events and is active in lobbying on government reforms affecting the media and information industries throughout Asia.

Underlying all SOPA activity is an uncompromising dedication to, and promotion of, the best traditions of independent, responsible journalism and freedom of the press as a vital component of all free societies.

SOPA Chairman's Message

It is a privilege for the Society of Publishers in Asia to present our 13th Annual Awards for Editorial Excellence. Through these Awards, we aim to showcase the best journalism the Asia-Pacific region has to offer. As publishers around the world face the emergence of new media platforms and changes in audience behaviour, journalism has gradually transformed to become more of a conversation instead of a lecture. In the new environment, editorial excellence is measured by our success in engaging our audience with relevant content and our readiness in interacting with them. The winners will be those who host the very best conversations.

There are more outstanding entries than we can recognize in a single evening. But we hope the recognition given to the select few top entries will serve as a reminder of how compelling good journalism can be. That should cause all of us to reflect on how important it is that we create an environment where journalists have the opportunity to do their best work, free from political restrictions and market pressures.



David E. Smith

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "David E. Smith". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "D".

David E. Smith
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About the SOPA Awards for Editorial Excellence

The SOPA Awards for Editorial Excellence were established in 1999 as a tribute to editorial excellence in both traditional and new media, and were designed to encourage editorial vitality throughout the region. The Awards cover a broad range of categories reflecting Asia's diverse geo-political environment and vibrant editorial scene.

As Asia's premier publishing accolades, the 2011 SOPA Awards attracted a record 480 entries from publications and digital publishers from across the Asia Pacific region; a true reflection of the Awards' high standing across the region.

Key to the Award's growing success is the high caliber of international judges who preside over the Award entries. The SOPA Awards has consistently secured judges from many of the region's leading newspapers as well as consumer and trade magazines and academics from prestigious universities — a reflection of the stature of the awards. Each year, the number of judges willing to dedicate their time to the Awards has grown.

This year, the SOPA Awards comprised of professional journalists, design experts, photographic editors and notable academics from the media departments of prestigious universities who collaborated to select winners.

The SOPA Awards are coordinated by a committee of publishing professionals from the business and editorial sectors. These dedicated individuals volunteer their time throughout the year to ensure the Awards' rules, judges, entries, events, sponsorships and promotions all come together smoothly.

Corporate Support

Sponsorship is critical to ensuring the awards' growth and over the past years, SOPA has been fortunate to receive the continuous support from Invest Hong Kong. As the awards have grown, so too has the interest from corporations, and in 2011, the event was also sponsored by JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong.

SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence

Award Categories (listed in order of presentation)

- Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation
- Excellence in Human Rights Reporting
- Excellence in Feature Writing
- Excellence in Magazine Design
- Excellence in News Photography
- Excellence in Business Reporting
- Excellence in Information Graphics
- Excellence in Reporting Breaking News
- Excellence in Opinion Writing
- Excellence in Editorial Cartooning
- Excellence in Reporting on the Environment
- Excellence in Feature Photography
- The Scoop Award
- Excellence in Investigative Reporting
- Journalist of the Year

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- Award for Excellence in Reporting on the Environment
- Award for Excellence in Feature Writing
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Peter Stein is Hong Kong Bureau Chief for The Wall Street Journal and Associate Editor of The Wall Street Journal Asia.

As Hong Kong Bureau Chief, Mr. Stein heads up the Journal's news coverage of Hong Kong and leads a group of reporters that cover financial deals, markets and economic issues across Asia, with an emphasis on Greater China. He also writes the Journal's weekly View From Hong Kong column about business, financial and economic issues in the news around Asia. As Associate Editor, he participates in developing the WSJA's strategic initiatives and appears on television, radio and at conferences on behalf of the Journal.

Prior to being appointed to his current positions in October 2005, Mr. Stein served as Managing Editor of the Asian Journal from 1998. Mr. Stein was a Senior Reporter in Hong Kong and led a group of reporters covering the transfer of Hong Kong from British to Chinese sovereignty (from 1994 to 1998).

From 1986-88, he spent two years in Wuhan, China on a Yale-China Association fellowship, teaching English at Huazhong Normal University and studying Chinese. Born in New York City, he graduated from Yale University, and speaks both Mandarin and Cantonese.



Peter Stein
Chairman



Doreen Weisenhaus
Head of Judges

Doreen Weisenhaus is Associate Professor at the University of Hong Kong and teaches media law and ethics at HKU's Journalism and Media Studies Centre, where she is also director of the Media Law Project. She is author of Hong Kong Media Law: A Guide for Journalists and Media Professionals (HKU Press 2007) and co-author of the forthcoming Media Law in China (Oxford University Press).

Prior to joining HKU in 2000, Weisenhaus was city editor of The New York Times and served as the first legal editor of *The New York Times Magazine* before becoming its law and politics editor. Weisenhaus also was editor-in-chief of The National Law Journal, a leading award-winning publication for lawyers in the U.S., a prosecutor in New York City, a television news producer in Chicago and a reporter for the *Milwaukee Journal*. She holds a JD degree from Northwestern University's School of Law and a BS from the Medill School of Journalism, also at Northwestern.

Based in Hong Kong, Zoher Abdoolcarim was appointed as Asia Editor, TIME International, in June 2008 overseeing TIME's awardwinning Asia edition. Prior to this role, he was a senior editor at TIME Asia, a position he held since 2002 where he helped shape all aspects of TIME's coverage of Asia. His cover stories include a June 2007 article on the 10-year anniversary of the British handover of Hong Kong to China.

Prior to joining TIME Asia, he was managing editor of Asiaweek and an editor at Singapore-owned Asian Business. Over the course of his career, Abdoolcarim has been a foreign correspondent based in Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore, with reporting assignments in the Philippines, India, Brunei and Hong Kong. He has been involved in watershed Asia stories including the Ninoy Aquino assassination, the ousters of Ferdinand Marcos in the Philippines and former Indonesian President Suharto, the Tiananmen Square crackdown in Beijing, Hong Kong's handover to China, the Asian financial crisis and the impact of the September 11 attacks on the region, and interviewed many of Asia's leaders.

An ethnic Indian born and raised in Hong Kong, Abdoolcarim is a fluent Cantonese speaker and a British national. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.



Zoher Abdoolcarim



Reginald Chua

Reginald Chua recently joined Thomson Reuters as Editor, Data. Based in New York, Reg is focused on developing data analysis and CAR skills in the newsroom and better leveraging the organization's huge trove of databases and technologies to generate better stories.

Prior to moving to Thomson Reuters in May 2011, Reg was Editor-in-Chief of the South China Morning Post, responsible for the editorial direction and newsroom operations at the Hong Kong-based news media company. Previously, Reg was a Deputy Managing Editor at The Wall Street Journal, based in New York, where he led development of the Journal's computer-assisted reporting capabilities and oversaw the paper's graphics department. He began a 16-year career at the Journal as a correspondent in Manila, opened the paper's bureau in Hanoi, became the longest-serving editor of the Journal's Hong Kong-based Asian edition, then moved to New York to manage the newsroom budget and administration. During his eight-year tenure as editor of the Asian Journal, the paper won numerous Society of Publishers in Asia awards for editorial excellence; staff at the paper also won a Pulitzer Prize and an Overseas Press Club of America award.

He also covered the Philippines for the Straits Times, worked at Reuters in Singapore, and was a television and radio journalist at the then-Singapore Broadcasting Corp.

A native of Singapore, Reg graduated with a Master's in Journalism from Columbia University and a Bachelor's in Mathematics from the University of Chicago. He has taught undergraduate- and graduate-level journalism classes at Hong Kong University, Nanyang Technological University, and New York University. He also created a fellowship that sends one or two promising Asian journalists to NYU's Business and Economic Reporting program each year. He writes on journalism issues at structureofnews.wordpress.com.

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Kin-ming Liu is Director of Multimedia — Content at Hong Kong Economic Journal and was a blogger at PostGlobal, a global debate blog on international affairs and foreign policy on the Washington Post website.

Prior to joining HKEJ in November 2006, Mr. Liu was a columnist based in Washington, D.C. writing for The New York Sun, The Hong Kong Standard and other publications. From 1999 to 2005, he was working for Apple Daily in which he had served as Opinion Page Editor, Director of Public Affairs and General Manager. He was Opinion Page Editor at Hong Kong Economic Times from 1997 to 1999. Since entering the field of journalism in 1992, he had also worked for Yazhou Zhoukan and Sing Tao Daily.

Mr. Liu served as Chairman of the Hong Kong Journalists Association from 1998 to 1999 and as Board Member of the Foreign Correspondents' Club, Hong Kong from 1997 to 2001. He was the winner in English commentary in the Human Rights Press Awards in 1998.



Kin-ming Liu



Philip McClellan

Philip McClellan is Chief Editor for Asia and Deputy Managing Editor at International Herald Tribune. Working out of the Hong Kong newsroom, he is responsible for the IHT's editorial operations in Asia. Mr. McClellan joined the IHT in 2001 and spent three years in Paris as a financial editor before moving to Hong Kong to head the Business Asia partnership with Bloomberg News. He has also served as news editor and business editor for the IHT's Asian operations.

Mr. McClellan began his career in journalism in Hong Kong in the 1990s, reporting for a local newsweekly before working as a correspondent for Agence France-Presse in Hong Kong and Bangkok. In 1997, Mr. McClellan moved to the San Francisco Bay Area at the height of the tech boom and spent two years working as a freelancer, covering technology and Asia-related topics, before joining the San Jose Mercury News. Mr. McClellan grew up in Asia and Europe. He has a BA in history from Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon, and a MA in international affairs from the University of Hong Kong.

Demetri Sevastopulo is Asia News Editor for the Financial Times. Based in Hong Kong, he is responsible for the Financial Times newsgathering operation throughout the Asia Pacific region, for the presentation of Asian news in all global editions of the newspaper and for Asian news coverage on FT.com.

Demetri was previously based in Washington as Pentagon & Intelligence correspondent for the Financial Times. He also covered business issues in Washington and worked briefly in the Tokyo bureau. Demetri began his career as a foreign exchange derivatives trader at Citibank in Japan. He later covered the Japanese economy for Bloomberg News.

An Irish national, Demetri graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, with an undergraduate degree in business studies. He has a master's degree in East Asian studies from Harvard University where he was also a teaching fellow in Japanese and Chinese history. Demetri also studied at Beijing University and Sophia University. He speaks fluent Japanese, advanced Mandarin and basic Cantonese.



Demetri Sevastopulo

Robyn Meredith is a Hong Kong-based correspondent for Bloomberg Television, covering business and financial news across the Asia-Pacific region. She's the author of the New York Times bestseller, "The Elephant and the Dragon: The Rise of India and China" and "What it Means for All of Us," published by W.W. Norton.

Prior to joining Bloomberg TV in January, 2011, she served as Senior Editor, Asia for Forbes, also based in Hong Kong. For Forbes, she has written cover stories on Sony, General Motors, Kodak, Microsoft, Philips, Toyota, Ratan Tata, Li & Fung, and Infosys. Ms. Meredith joined Forbes as its Detroit Bureau Chief in April, 2000 to write about the auto industry. She moved to Hong Kong in 2002. One of her articles was included in the 2002 Edition of the book "The Best Business Stories of the Year."

Ms. Meredith is an award-winning journalist who previously wrote for The New York Times, USA Today and the American Banker newspaper, where her reporting exposed a pattern of insider deals at savings and loans that led to four Congressional hearings and an overhaul of U.S. banking regulations governing initial public offerings.

Ms. Meredith received a B.A. in English Literature from Boston University in 1990. For more information about her book, see www.elephantanddragon.com.



Robyn Meredith



Brian Rhoads

Brian Rhoads is Editor for Asia at Thomson Reuters, overseeing a team of about 840 journalists and contract staff for text, pictures, and television in a region stretching from Afghanistan to New Zealand. He took up the post in July, after serving as Managing Editor for the Americas since September 2008 — arriving just after Lehman Brothers collapsed and serving through the financial crisis and ensuing bail-out and Obama's election.

Before then, Brian was one of Reuters most senior journalists in China, where he reported for eight years. He covered the Chinese leadership transition from Jiang Zemin to the younger generation of leaders headed by Hu Jintao, the surge in global interest in China's economy, and a half dozen rounds of six-party talks on North Korea's nuclear crisis. He reported on Premier Wen Jiabao's first visit to Washington in November 2003 and was on the team of senior Reuters journalists who interviewed Wen the following April, and again in 2006. From 2000 to 2001, Rhoads served in Shanghai as bureau chief, reporting on and overseeing coverage of China's developing financial markets.

He joined Reuters in 1996 and worked as an editor on the news production desks in Hong Kong and Singapore for five years. He has edited or reported APEC meetings in Shanghai, Auckland and Kuala Lumpur, ASEAN meetings in Brunei and Singapore, and Suharto's final election in Indonesia. Before joining Reuters, he worked as a general assignment reporter for daily newspapers in the San Francisco Bay area.

Brian holds a BA in political science from Stanford University. He speaks both Chinese (Mandarin) and English. Brian is married and has one son.



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Winners of SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence – Group A

English-language newspapers that circulate widely in three or more countries, English-language magazines with circulation greater than 50,000, English-language wire services and English-language websites with more than 5 million monthly uniques.

Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Financial Times**

Title of Entry: **"Mumbai – Living the Dream"**

Award Recipients: **Joe Leahy, James Fontanella-Khan**

Comments: *Strong story-telling. Takes full advantage of online multimedia techniques.*

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **TIME.com**

Title of Entry: **Tragedy in Marjah, Witness to a Civilian Casualty**

Award Recipient: **Adam Ferguson**

Comments: *Powerfully and dramatically told story with stark still photos, natural sound and the reporter/photographer's voice track.*



David Piling from the Financial Times was presented the Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation award by Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong



Krista Mahr of TIME.com was congratulated and was presented with the award by Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong, for his Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation

Excellence in Human Rights Reporting

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Financial Times**

Title of Entry: **Love and Dishonour in India**

Award Recipient: **Amy Kazmin**

Comments: *This was a powerfully told story about enduring issues in India of caste, honor killings and the abuse of power.*

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **TIME Magazine (Asia Edition)**

Title of Entry: **Afghan Women and the Return of the Taliban**

Award Recipients: **Aryn Baker**

Comments: *A complex portrait of the status of women in Afghanistan some 10 years after the fall of the Taliban.*



Zohar Abdoalcarim of TIME Asia was recognized for his Excellence in Human Rights Reporting and was presented his award by Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong

Excellence in Feature Writing

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Financial Times**

Title of Entry: **Love and Dishonour in India**

Award Recipients: **Amy Kazmin**

Comments: *Patient, sensitive reporting and clear, clean writing produce a compelling piece of storytelling with a powerful kicker.*

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **International Herald Tribune**

Title of Entry: **India's Future in a Self-made Man**

Award Recipients: **Anand Giridharadas**

Comments: *An unforgettable character portrait, and a glimpse into a nation's soul.*



The Excellence in Feature Writing award was received by Philip McClellan of International Herald Tribune from Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong

Excellence in News Photography

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: Thomson Reuters

Title of Entry: A Donkey Transports Ballot Boxes

Award Recipients: Ahmad Masood

Comments: A terrific composition that shows the challenges of elections in Afghanistan. Technically great photo as well.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: Thomson Reuters

Title of Entry: Marooned Flood Victims Looking to Escape

Award Recipients: Adrees Latif

Comments: One picture tells the entire story. Iconic. How the photographer took the picture also shows creativity and perseverance.



Mark Conklin, General Manager of JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong, presented the Excellence in Business Reporting award to Tan Hwee Ann of Bloomberg News / Bloomberg Businessweek



Representing Thomson Reuters, Brian Rhoads received the Excellence in News Photography award from Mark Conklin, General Manager of JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong

Excellence in Reporting Breaking News

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: The Wall Street Journal Asia

Title of Entry: Thailand in Crisis

Award Recipients: James Hookway, Patrick Barta, Wilawan Watcharasakwet, Roger Arnold and Lam Thuy Vo

Comments: Excellent analysis piece is the highlight of the package, bolstering good writing in the news stories.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: International Herald Tribune

Title of Entry: Crisis in Bangkok

Award Recipients: Seth Mydans, Thomas Fuller

Comments: Clear, authoritative writing on a big breaking story; skillfully knit together news, color and analysis.



Andrew Lavalée from The Wall Street Journal Asia was accorded with the Excellence in Reporting Breaking News award by SOPA Chairman David Smith



SOPA Chairman David Smith handed the Excellence in Reporting Breaking News award to Seth Mydans and Thomas Fuller of International Herald Tribune

Excellence in Business Reporting

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: Bloomberg News / Bloomberg Businessweek

Title of Entry: Inside Foxconn Series

Award Recipients: Frederik Balfour, Tim Culpan, John Liu, Stephanie Wong

Comments: Humanizes the high cost of the inexorable drive for gadgets at low cost in the West

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: The Wall Street Journal Asia

Title of Entry: China's State Capitalism

Award Recipients: Andrew Browne, Jason Dean, Shai Oster, Norihiko Shirouzu, James T. Areddy, Jeremy Page

Comments: Excellent reportage and analysis on the strengths and weaknesses of China's state-driven economic model.

Excellence in Opinion Writing

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: International Herald Tribune

Title of Entry: Column: Letter from China

Award Recipient: Didi Kirsten Tatlow

Comments: In these columns the journalist seeks to bring to a person level modern China and its complexity.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: Financial Times

Title of Entry: Chinese Paranoia and a Clash Over Prizes

Award Recipients: David Pilling, Geoff Dyer

Comments: These columns bring enlightenment and meaning, taking isolated events, by showing greater context.



The Excellence in Reporting on the Environment award was received by Ben McLannahan of the Financial Times, presented by SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges Doreen Weisenhaus



Keith Bradsher of International Herald Tribune was congratulated by SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges Doreen Weisenhaus, for his Excellence in Reporting on the Environment



Brian Rhoads accepted the Excellence in Feature Photography award from Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee on behalf of Thomson Reuters



Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee accorded The Scoop Award to Almar Latour of The Wall Street Journal

Excellence in Reporting on the Environment

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Financial Times**

Title of Entry: **Scrutiny of Adherence to India's Environmental Laws**

Award Recipient: **Amy Kazmin**

Comments: A valuable watchdog perspective combined with strong reporting.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **International Herald Tribune**

Title of Entry: **The China Conundrum**

Award Recipient: **Keith Bradsher**

Comments: Definitive, knowledgeable and insightful reporting on issues of overarching global significance.

Excellence in Feature Photography

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Thomson Reuters**

Title of Entry: **Brick-making Factory Outside Kabul**

Award Recipient: **Ahmad Masood**

Comments: Really breathtaking images that take us away from war and to a deeper reality for the people of Afghanistan Stunning.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **TIME Magazine (Asia Edition)**

Title of Entry: **Afghan Women and the Return of the Taliban**

Award Recipient: **Jodi Bieber**

Comments: Good topic presented in a sober and simple way. Great portraits with one iconic image – the young woman whose face was disfigured.

The Scoop Award

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **The Wall Street Journal Asia**

Title of Entry: **Afghanistan's Missing Billions**

Award Recipient: **Matthew Rosenberg**

Comments: Well-written, with the right balance of reporting and analysis.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **Newsweek**

Title of Entry: **Inside Al Qaeda**

Award Recipients: **Sami Yousafzai, Ron Moreau**

Comments: Outstanding investigative reporting. Really gets under the skin of the subject, and at great personal risk. Brilliant.

Excellence in Investigative Reporting

Group A – Honorable Mention

Publication: **The Wall Street Journal Asia**

Title of Entry: **The Afghan Money Trail**

Award Recipients: **Yaroslav Trofimov, Matthew Rosenberg**

Comments: A vitally important series of articles that examined corruption in Afghanistan.

Group A – Award for Excellence

Publication: **International Herald Tribune**

Title of Entry: **Behind Myanmar Inc.**

Award Recipient: **Thomas Fuller**

Comments: A fine job of methodically piecing together the military government's plans to sell off assets in order to perpetuate the regime in power and fill its pockets.



Journalist of the Year

Group A

Publication: **TIME Magazine (Asia Edition)**

Name of Journalist: **Hannah Beech**

Comments: The journalist digs into tough stories in rough places and comes out with the goods. Intimate and human.

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As recipients of **12 honors** at the **2011 SOPA Awards** for Editorial Excellence, we'd like to express our heartfelt thanks to the judges for recognizing the work of our dedicated team of journalists and editors.

Thanks also to our award winning team for their pursuit of excellence.

Awards for Excellence

- Excellence in Business Reporting
- Excellence in Feature Writing
- Excellence in News Photography
- Excellence in Magazine Design
- Excellence in Opinion Writing
- Excellence in Reporting on the Environment

Honorable Mentions

- The Scoop Award
- Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation
- Excellence in Human Rights Reporting
- Excellence in Feature Writing
- Excellence in News Photography
- Excellence in Investigative Reporting

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Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **SCMP.com**

Title of Entry: **CitizenMap**

Award Recipient: **Yolanda Ma**

Comments: A great effort in engaging readers who are concerned about environmental issues in an interactive way.

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **Phnom Penh Post**

Title of Entry: **The Verdict**

Award Recipients: **David Boyle, Andy Ball, Seth Meixner, Jake Schoneker**

Comments: Technically uncluttered, heart-stopping package that gives voice to war victims and survivors.



Yolanda Ma of South China Morning Post received the Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation award from Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong



Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong presented Bhimanto Suwastoyo of the Jakarta Globe with the Excellence in Human Rights Reporting award

Excellence in Human Rights Reporting

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **South China Morning Post**

Title of Entry: **Mainland Lawyers**

Award Recipients: **Ng Tze-wei, Paul Mooney**

Comments: These articles make the link between rights abuses and the political campaign, and show the bravery of some Mainland Chinese lawyers.

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **Jakarta Globe**

Title of Entry: **Shariah's Iron Rule**

Award Recipient: **Dewi Kurniawati**

Comments: The judges' clear choice. Strong, in-place reporting, different angles, good use of quotations, strong photo image. A story that makes a difference.

Excellence in Feature Writing

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Post Magazine**

Title of Entry: **Gathering Dust**

Award Recipients: **Paul Mooney, Jim Morris, Te-Ping Chen**

Comments: The story does a brilliant job of examining an asbestos mining town where the wind blows the carcinogenic dust into people's homes.

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **Post Magazine**

Title of Entry: **Death of a Tyrant**

Award Recipients: **Steven Ribet**

Comments: A well-reported, beautifully written account of how a young man became a murderer and the public cry for leniency.

Excellence in Reporting Breaking News

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Jakarta Globe**
Title of Entry: **Tsunami Failures**
Award Recipient: **Nivell Rayda**
Comments: *Jakarta Globe showed enterprise getting to the scene and landed a nice scoop on the mishandling of aid.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **Phnom Penh Post**
Title of Entry: **Coverage of "Diamond Island" Bridge Stampede**
Award Recipients: **Phnom Penh Post Staff**
Comments: *This is important journalism in a country where the voice of everyday citizens is too often ignored.*

Excellence in Opinion Writing

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Jakarta Globe**
Title of Entry: **Morality Maze**
Award Recipient: **Desi Anwar**
Comments: *Shows broad scope, and tackles serious topics with an entertaining style.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **South China Morning Post**
Title of Entry: **Shining a Light on China's Listed Companies**
Award Recipient: **Shirley Yam**
Comments: *Brilliantly incisive. Strong reporting on topics that are hard to get to.*

Excellence in Editorial Cartooning

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **The Straits Times**
Title of Entry: **The China Series**
Award Recipients: **Manny Francisco, Paul Eric Roca**
Comments: *Amusing, striking, beautiful and thought provoking. Visually striking; they enhance the articles and are apt companions to words.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **The Straits Times**
Title of Entry: **Middle Way for Reforms in China**
Award Recipient: **Miel Prudencio Ma**
Comments: *Graphically powerful with a clear striking point. Engaging complement to story.*

Excellence in Reporting on the Environment

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Jakarta Globe**
Title of Entry: **Green Jakarta**
Award Recipients: **Joe Cochrane, Annie Dang, Fidelis E. Satriastanti, Jurnasyanto Sukarno, Afriadi Hikmal**
Comments: *A thoughtful look at how to make a growing megacity more livable, more sustainable and less polluted.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **South China Morning Post**
Title of Entry: **New Territories Series**
Award Recipients: **Cheung Chi-fai, Olga Wong**
Comments: *Crusading journalism written with style and passion uncovering the abuse of public land in Hong Kong.*



SOPA Chairman David Smith accorded the Excellence in Reporting Breaking News award to Bhimanto Suwastoyo of Jakarta Globe



The Excellence in Editorial Cartooning award was presented by SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges Doreen Weisenhaus to a representative of The Straits Times, Angelina Choy



Another win for Jakarta Globe – Director of Judges of SOPA Editorial Awards Doreen Weisenhaus, presented the Excellence in Reporting on the Environment award to Bhimanto Suwastoyo



Cliff Buddle from South China Morning Post was recognized for his Excellence in Reporting on the Environment and received the accolade from Director of Judges of SOPA Editorial Awards Doreen Weisenhaus



Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee presented the Excellence in Feature Photography award to Neo Xiaobin of The Straits Times



Ting Shi received The Scoop Award from Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee on behalf of South China Morning Post



Samuel He of The Straits Times was presented with the Excellence in Feature Photography award by Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee



The Scoop Award was presented to Jurnasyanto Sukarno of the Jakarta Globe by Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee

Excellence in Feature Photography

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: The Straits Times
Title of Entry: Shattered Dreams
Award Recipient: Neo Xiaobin

Comments: *Kudos to both the photographer and paper for giving life to a story that could have ended up as a brief. Xiaobin's personal attachment to the story is evident in the care she took with the images, and gives readers an incredible and rare insight into the lives of a family grieving the loss of a daughter.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: The Straits Times
Title of Entry: Who Will Care for Ashwin?
Award Recipient: Samuel He

Comments: *A powerful single image that, in an instant captures both the struggle they face as a family, and the tenderness and love of a mother.*

The Scoop Award

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: South China Morning Post
Title of Entry: PLA
Award Recipient: Greg Torode

Comments: *Genuine enterprise journalism that set an agenda, which other media outlets scrambled to follow.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: Jakarta Globe
Title of Entry: Where's Gayus?
Award Recipients: Jurnasyanto Sukarno, Farouk Arnaz, Heru Andriyanto, Camelia Pasandaran, Armando Siahaan

Comments: *Great enterprise reporting creating pressure for reform of a corrupt institution.*

Excellence in Investigative Reporting

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: South China Morning Post
Title of Entry: Clubs
Award Recipient: Vivian Kwok

Comments: *Well written, concise and powerful reporting on the enormous political influence of the tobacco industry in Indonesia.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: MINT
Title of Entry: Air Safety Series
Award Recipient: Tarun Shukla

Comments: *An even-handed, frightening look at India's largely unregulated aviation industry. Will make anyone who flies into India consider the train.*



Cliff Buddle accepted the Excellence in Investigative Reporting award from Mark Stephens on behalf of South China Morning Post



Eve Ng received the Excellence in Magazine Design award from Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong on behalf of Female



JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong's General Manager Mark Conklin presented the Excellence in News Photography award to Troy Dunkley of the South China Morning Post



Another win for South China Morning Post; S.K. Witcher was presented the Excellence in Business Reporting award by JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong's General Manager Mark Conklin

Excellence in Magazine Design

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Female**

Title of Entry: **October Edition**

Award Recipients: **Jeanette Ejlersen**

Comments: *They went the extra mile to be original. The overall layout design looks sleek and modern.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **Post Magazine**

Title of Entry: **September 12, 2010 Issue**

Award Recipients: **Steve Ellul**

Comments: *When all of the elements are brought together, the end result is a classy and yet contemporary look of magazine.*

Excellence in News Photography

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **South China Morning Post**

Title of Entry: **Discovery of the First Body in Ma Tau Wai Collapse Block**

Award Recipients: **Sam Tsang**

Comments: *A powerful and dark single-image that gives the viewer an instant understanding of the grim situation.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **South China Morning Post**

Title of Entry: **Qinghai Earthquake**

Award Recipients: **Felix Wong**

Comments: *Compelling and comprehensive coverage from photographer Felix Wong, that illustrates the scale of the damage, and the effect on some of the disaster's most vulnerable victims, in a way that words cannot.*

Excellence in Business Reporting

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **Phnom Penh Post**

Title of Entry: **Mystery Firm Sparks Investment Warning**

Award Recipient: **James O' Toole**

Comments: *An airtight expose of company that wasn't at all what it claimed to be.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **South China Morning Post**

Title of Entry: **The Rise and Fall of Taizinai**

Award Recipients: **Naomi Rovnick, Toh Han Shih, Lulu Chen**

Comments: *An important business scoop spiced with terrific color.*

Excellence in Information Graphics

Group B – Honorable Mention

Publication: **The New Paper On Sunday**

Title of Entry: **The Sewn Ship**

Award Recipients: **Lee Hup Kheng, Teoh Yi Chie, Chng Choon Hiong**

Comments: *Really beautifully illustrated. Nice use of elegant script and good harmonious composition.*

Group B – Award for Excellence

Publication: **The New Paper On Sunday**

Title of Entry: **Dinos Alive!**

Award Recipients: **Lee Hup Kheng, Chng Choon Hiong**

Comments: *Dramatic. Draws the reader in. Very visually pleasing. Good use of text and images. Effective at conveying lots of information.*

APPLE DAILY

The No.1 paid Chinese Newspaper with highest number of quality readers in H.K.*

2011 SOPA Awards for

- 🍏 Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation
- 🍏 Excellence in Human Rights Reporting
- 🍏 Excellence in Reporting on the Environment
- 🍏 Excellence in News Photography
- 🍏 Excellence in Editorial Cartooning

Winner of Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation:

Apple Daily (暴權)

'A powerful combination of animation and news clips. Good use of multimedia techniques to help tell the story.'

Winner of Excellence in Human Rights Reporting:

Apple Daily (人權的里程碑 劉曉波得諾貝爾和平獎)

'The report, exhaustive and well-structured, stands as an important historical record and expresses a deep yearning for universal values and the protection of human rights.'

Winner of Excellence in Reporting on the Environment:

Apple Daily (兩次揭發大亞灣核輻射)

'The report raises pertinent questions about "Disaster Warning Mechanisms".'

- Judges' citation



*Apple Daily has the highest number of readers with stronger purchasing power and higher educational attainment as compared to all other paid newspapers in Hong Kong. (Source: 2010 Nielsen Media Index Hong Kong Year-end Report)



Winners of SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence – Group C

*Chinese-language publications, including Chinese-language websites and wire services.
Independent online publications in Chinese.*

Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 天下雜誌 CommonWealth Magazine
Title of Entry: 消失的生命之河 — 多媒體數位專輯
Award Recipients: 陳世耀, 陳郁馨, 林世宗, 林偉妃, 龔立祺, 何碧娟, 羅儀修

Comments: Full, comprehensive and practical content with strong site layout.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 蘋果日報 Apple Daily Hong Kong
Title of Entry: 秣樓
Award Recipients: 蘋果動新聞組
Comments: A powerful combination of animation and news clips. Good use of multimedia techniques to help tell the story.



The Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation award was presented to Shih-Yao Chen of CommonWealth Magazine by Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong



Ka-Lok Cheung of Apple Daily received the Excellence in Multimedia News Presentation award from Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong



Hsiang-Yi Chang represented CommonWealth Magazine to receive the Excellence in Feature Writing award from Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong



The Excellence in Human Rights Reporting award was presented to Keith Kam of Ming Pao Holdings Ltd by Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong

Excellence in Human Rights Reporting

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 明報 Ming Pao Daily News
Title of Entry: 劉曉波案系列報道
Award Recipients: 明報採訪部
Comments: The report exposes human rights problems in China with a strong sense of social conscience.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 蘋果日報 Apple Daily Hong Kong
Title of Entry: 人權的豐碑 劉曉波得諾貝爾和平獎
Award Recipients: 中國組, 靜態組
Comments: The report, exhaustive and well-structured, stands as an important historical record and expresses a deep yearning for universal values and the protection of human rights.

Excellence in Feature Writing

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 天下雜誌 CommonWealth Magazine
Title of Entry: 消失的水果王國
Award Recipients: 李雪莉, 汪文豪, 辜樹仁
Comments: This report includes remarks from the chairperson of Taiwan's Council of Agriculture on ways to improve the situation.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 商業周刊 Business Weekly
Title of Entry: 鐵道新中國
Award Recipients: 張毅君, 呂國禎, 曠文琪, 韓斌, 陳泳翰
Comments: The reporters explained how both Taiwanese development models and even past experiences in Chicago served as references.

Excellence in Magazine Design

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 生活月刊 Life Magazine

Title of Entry: June Edition

Award Recipients: 生活月刊編輯部, 設計部 / 原研哉,
Iwan Baan, 劉香成, 徐冰等

Comments: The magazine offered a fresh sense of life in Shanghai and the World Expo. Elegant cover design, excellent photos and nice visual presentation.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: artech

Title of Entry: November Edition

Award Recipients: Eric K. Fung

Comments: The three-dimensional cover is hip and eye-catching. The magazine is bold and elegant.



Eric K Fung received The Excellence in Magazine Design award on behalf of artech which was presented by Andrew Davis, Associate Director-General of Invest Hong Kong



JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong's General Manager Mark Conklin presented the Excellence in Business Reporting award to Ho Wen Jung of Taiwan's Global Views Monthly

Excellence in Business Reporting

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 遠見雜誌 Global Views Monthly

Title of Entry: 面對中國加一 — 19億人口的黃金市場
世界第三大經濟體成形

Award Recipients: 楊瑞利, 邱莉燕, 彭澧漪

Comments: This report offered Taiwanese readers a well-researched and comprehensive look at one of Taiwan's biggest economic challenges.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 商業周刊 Business Weekly

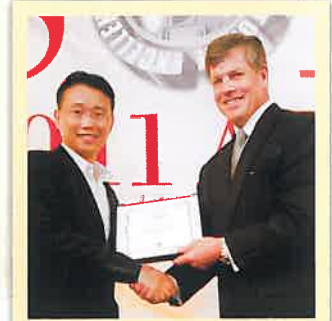
Title of Entry: 鐵道新中國

Award Recipients: 張毅君, 呂國禎, 曠文琪, 韓斌, 陳泳翰

Comments: This report deserves the highest marks in all respects, from its quality to its influence.



Grace Huang received the Excellence in Business Reporting award from Mark Conklin, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong's General Manager on behalf of Business Weekly



Tsz-Lok Lui accepted the Excellence in Information Graphics award from Mark Conklin, JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong's General Manager on behalf of Apple Daily

Excellence in News Photography

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 蘋果日報 Apple Daily Hong Kong

Title of Entry: 八十後年青人衝著反對興建高鐵及清拆菜園村而來

Award Recipients: 劉耀輝, 曾顯華, 馬泉崇

Comments: The photo is appealing and full of vigour. The forth news photo is appealing. Photo angle with thoughts.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 中央社即時新聞

Central News Agency – News.com

Title of Entry: 魂斷太平洋岸 — 台灣蘇花公路坍方攝影紀實

Award Recipients: 王飛華, 鄭傑文, 郭日曉, 孫仲達, 徐肇昌

Comments: An excellent work that movingly documents a disaster in Taiwan. Very moving. These pictures help guide people through a major disaster.

Excellence in Information Graphics

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 台灣蘋果日報 Apple Daily Taiwan

Title of Entry: 地底飽受煎熬「與主同在」「也與魔鬼同在」

Award Recipients: 美術中心

Comments: A graphic illustration of the dangers faced by 33 Chilean miners. The report is clear and accessible, and all in all, a fine piece of work.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 天下雜誌 CommonWealth Magazine

Title of Entry: 中國47個超級城市崛起

Award Recipients: 辜樹仁, 洪家寧, 陳則緯, 江蕙如, 林永惟, 張培音

Comments: A piece with a clean and clear voice and express a larger story behind the numbers.

Excellence in Reporting Breaking News

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 台灣蘋果日報 Apple Daily Taiwan

Title of Entry: 連勝文助選頭中槍系列報導

Award Recipients: 突發中心

Comments: Captured all of the essential elements of a good breaking news story. Successfully scooped other news agencies.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 亞洲週刊 Yazhou Zhoukan

Title of Entry: 青海地震救援真相 — 寺院發揮獨特角色

Award Recipients: 張潔平, 朱一心, 江迅

Comments: The reporting is thorough and balanced, and the writing bold and well-structured. A well-focused piece of writing with an unusual angle.

Excellence in Opinion Writing

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 亞洲週刊 Yazhou Zhoukan

Title of Entry: 兩岸失去的二十年 (1989-2008) — 期盼未來的黃金20年

Award Recipient: 邱立本

Comments: Historically sweeping and thorough.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: FT中文網 FT Chinese.com

Title of Entry: 專欄 — 剃刀邊緣

Award Recipient: 老愚

Comments: A quirky and insightful column with a sharp offbeat flair. A very flavorful look at big-picture issues through minute events.

Excellence in Editorial Cartooning

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 蘋果日報 Apple Daily Hong Kong

Title of Entry: 選票起義

Award Recipient: 尊子

Comments: Sharp message and strong visual element.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 明報 Ming Pao Daily News

Title of Entry: 樓市狂潮觀察系列

Award Recipient: 黃照達

Comments: Effective and resonant with readers.

Excellence in Reporting on the Environment

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 亞洲週刊 Yazhou Zhoukan

Title of Entry: 燒不掉垃圾真相 — 中國環保公害揭秘

Award Recipient: 紀碩鳴

Comments: This report combines breadth of coverage with in-depth analysis.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 蘋果日報 Apple Daily Hong Kong

Title of Entry: 兩次揭發大亞灣洩核輻射

Award Recipients: 馮永堅, 陳沛敏, 蔡朗清, 夏志禮, 謝明明, 雷子樂, 白琳, 倪清江

Comments: The report raises pertinent questions about "Disaster Warning Mechanisms".



The Excellence in Opinion Writing award was accorded to Yau Lop Poon of Yazhou Zhoukan by SOPA Chairman David Smith



Jackie Lam from Ming Pao was presented the Excellence in Editorial Cartooning award by SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges, Doreen Weisenhaus



Kei Shek Ming from Yazhou Zhoukan received the Excellence in Reporting on the Environment award from SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges, Doreen Weisenhaus



Tsz-Lok Lui again represented Apple Daily to receive the Excellence in Reporting on the Environment award from SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges, Doreen Weisenhaus



The Excellence in Feature Photography award was accorded to Alain Deroche of Life Magazine by Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee



Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee presented the Excellence in Feature Photography award to Alex Ko of Ming Pao



Kin-Ming Liu received the Excellence in Investigative Reporting award from keynote speaker Mark Stephens on behalf of the Hong Kong Economic Journal

Excellence in Feature Photography

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 生活月刊 Life Magazine

Title of Entry: 我們不是一家人

Award Recipients: 生活月刊編輯部, 設計部 / 高遠, 晏禮中

Comments: The authenticity of these faces works well with the authentic voices in the text. The concepts and the photographs are equally strong. These photos captured a moving moment.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 明報 Ming Pao Daily News

Title of Entry: 廢墟撿書哭讀

Award Recipient: 余俊亮

Comments: Effective photographic illustration that complements the reporting well. This is a very touching picture, with a strong visual impact.

The Scoop Award

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 天下雜誌 CommonWealth Magazine

Title of Entry: 台灣民主的大騙局

Award Recipients: 林偉妃, 陳一嫻

Comments: This piece should stand as a reminder to news media of their rightful role as 'watchdogs', and as a warning to government officials about what can and cannot be purchased in Taiwan.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 亞洲週刊 Yazhou Zhoukan

Title of Entry: 杜導正日記出版 — 趙紫陽啟迪中共

Award Recipient: 江迅

Comments: Important new information about the secret recording and publication of former Premier Zhao Ziyang's "The Course of Reforms".

Excellence in Investigative Reporting

Group C – Honorable Mention

Publication: 信報財經新聞 Hong Kong Economic Journal

Title of Entry: 富士康系列報道

Award Recipients: 張聞文, 黃曉南, 鄧傳琳

Comments: A timely and solid report on a key issue affecting China's economy and social landscape.

Group C – Award for Excellence

Publication: 亞洲週刊 Yazhou Zhoukan

Title of Entry: 富士康遇上中國 — 揭示悲劇根源

Award Recipients: 謝曉陽, 張殿文, 向瑜, 賈思玉, 顧冷冰, 潘禮瑤, 賈選凝

Comments: A credible in-depth report based on accounts from first-hand sources.

SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence Prize Presentation Dinner

The Society of Publishers in Asia presented 79 awards for outstanding journalism at its annual SOPA Awards for Editorial Excellence gala dinner at the JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong on June 8th, 2011. The event was hosted by Mr. Jim Laurie, Director of Broadcasting for the Journalism and Studies Centre of the University of Hong Kong.

Special guest speaker Mr. Mark Stephens, a lawyer for Julian Assange, founder of Wikileaks, was interviewed live in front of an audience of over 200 senior media executives, editors, journalists and industry affiliates from all across the Asia Pacific region.

This year, 480 nominated works vied in 15 categories region-wide, with entries from print publications, web sites, and wire services, in both English and in Chinese.

"It's encouraging to see so many journalists and news organizations competing for the SOPA awards", noted Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee. "We're proud to honor Asia Pacific's best journalistic work and to encourage others who make it their mission, occasionally at their own political risk, to inform and enlighten the general public", Mr. Stein said.

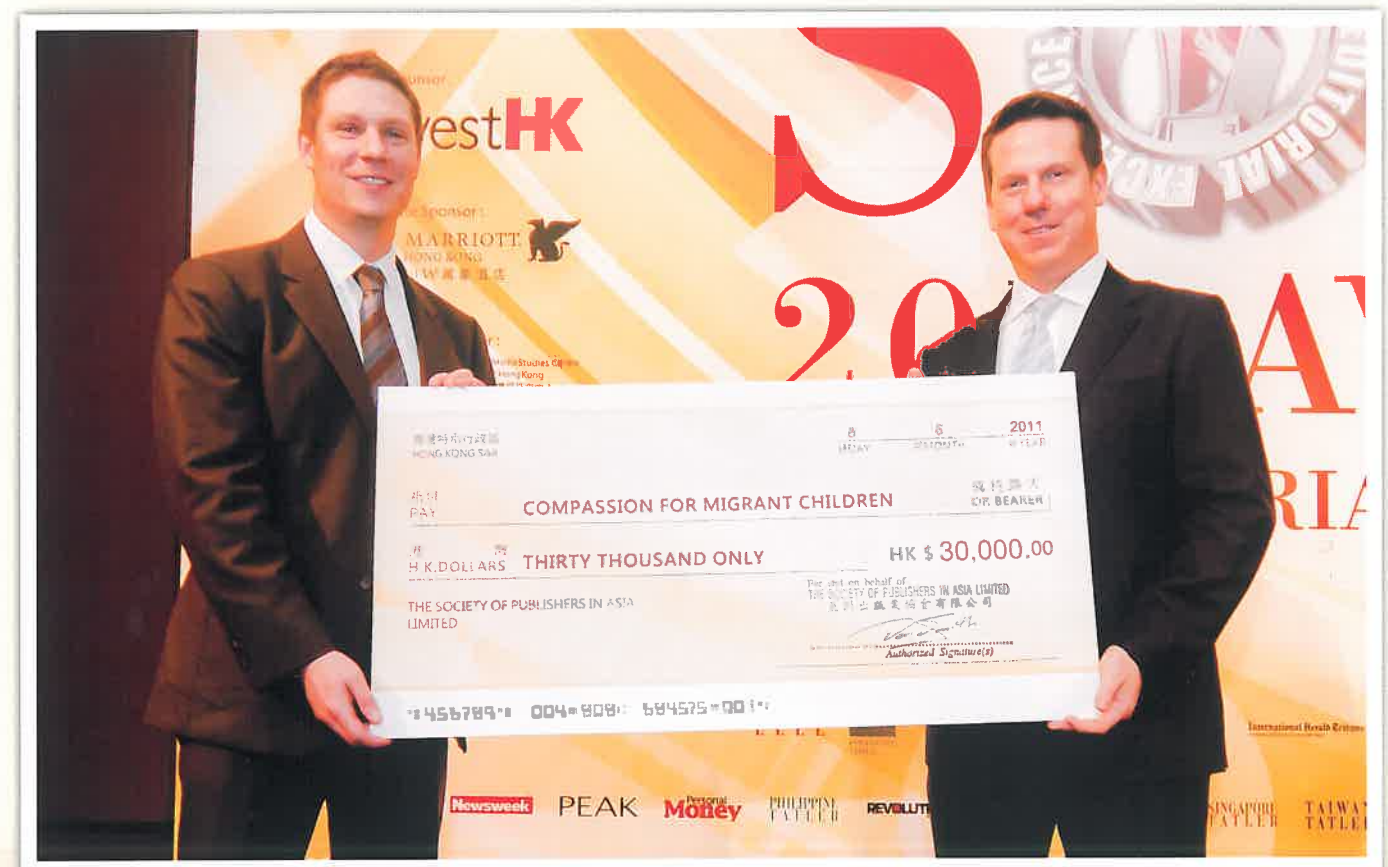
David E. Smith, SOPA's newly elected Chairman, added, "The SOPA Awards have become more reputable and prominent in the last 13 years, setting itself as Asia's highest accolade in recognition of journalistic excellence. Many award-winning pieces this year demonstrated a sense of tenacious quality in the journalists. The past year has witnessed the industry moving into an era of change as new publishing platforms have emerged. SOPA continues to aim to align the interests of publishers and foster cooperation and industry development in the region, preserving the professionalism of modern journalism."



Keynote speaker Mark Stephens, UK lawyer



Mark Stephens and SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges, Doreen Weisenhaus



SOPA Chairman David Smith presented a HK\$30,000 charity donation check to Joshua Gillespie of Compassion for Migrant Children

The entries were evaluated by 98 high-caliber judges worldwide under the stewardship of Head Judge Doreen Weisenhaus, the University of Hong Kong's Director of Media Law Project & Associate Professor, who ensured that the judging process was conducted with the highest standards of journalistic integrity. The judges comprised journalists, designers and photo editors from leading publications, as well as notable academics from the media departments of prestigious universities.

The SOPA Awards were sponsored by Invest Hong Kong (Main Sponsor) and the JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong (Corporate Sponsor) and was also supported by a number of international media organizations and regional media industry press.

At the gala dinner, a cheque for HK\$30,000 was presented to Compassion for Migrant Children on behalf of SOPA. Compassion for Migrant Children is a non-profit organization committed to helping children of migrant workers in Asia and their communities through social and educational programs, a cause that is close to SOPA's heart in their aim to raise awareness, literacy and journalistic standards.

SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence Prize Presentation – Cocktail Reception



The cocktail reception



Renate Boerner and Shirley Lau from Bank Sarasin & Cie AG were enjoying their cocktails



Ricky Hung, Renate Boerner, and Shirley Lau from Bank Sarasin & Cie AG, Hong Kong Branch



Amy Wu from JMSC, The University of Hong Kong with Robert Haddow from South China Morning Post



Troy Dunkley, Ting Shi and Stephen Case from South China Morning Post



Victor Fung from Hong Kong Baptist University with Yolanda Ma from South China Morning Post



Noel Lam at Newsweek and Karen Winton at Invest Hong Kong



Frank Proctor of Muse Magazine with Joyce Choi of International Herald Tribune



Lam Thuy Vo from The Wall Street Journal and Alexandra A. Seno from The Newsweek Daily Beast Company



Mimi Lam from Invest Hong Kong with Diana David from Financial Times



Allen Cheng of Institutional Investor and Camellia So of Trade Magazine Productions



Denny Thomas, Prakash Chakravarti with Kelvin Soh from Thomson Reuters



Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee with keynote speaker Mark Stephens and Victor Fung from Hong Kong Baptist University



David Wong and BY Wong from The Chinese University of Hong Kong



Eve Ng from Blu Inc Media



Jambí Reyes from Media Partners Asia with Sherwin Chen from CommonWealth Magazine Group



Wendy Leung from Alibaba Group, Theresa Tang from Hong Kong Economic Journal, along with Jasper Chan, Florence Shih and Sovanna Fung from Alibaba Group



Joshua Edward Gillespie and Kitty Cheng from Compassion for Migrant Children



Ya-huei Chen and Sherwin Chen from CommonWealth Magazine



SOPA Editorial Awards Committee Members Brian Rhoads, Robyn Meredith, Do Weisenhaus and Phillip McClellan



SOPA Chairman David Smith with Edo Bersma from EB concepts and Jambí Reyes from Media Partners Asia Limited



Dean Napolitano, Phil Day (formerly at The Wall Street Journal), Andrew Lavalee and Almar Latour from The Wall Street Journal

SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence Prize Presentation — **Stage Speech**



Peter Stein, Chairman of the SOPA Editorial Awards Committee delivering his speech



Doreen Weisenhaus, SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges, addressing the audience



Jim Laurie, Master of Ceremony



David Smith, SOPA Chairman, delivering his opening remarks of the evening



Chit-chat session between SOPA Editorial Awards Director of Judges Doreen Weisenhaus and keynote speaker Mark Stephens

SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence Prize Presentation – Gala Dinner



A warm hug — Annie Chen from New York Times Global with Frank Proctor from Muse Magazine



Hannah Beech of TIME Magazine, Philip McClellan of International Herald Tribune and Liam Fitzpatrick of TIME Magazine



Christina Lee, Asia Managing Director of Bloomberg Businessweek and Deputy Chairman of SOPA Executive Board



The Invest Hong Kong table



The Newsweek table



William Westwood from The Wall Street Journal and Doris Chan from Dow Jones



The Bloomberg team



Do Do Yeung, Honorary Secretary of SOPA Executive Board as well as Managing Director and Publisher at Hearst Magazines Hong Kong Limited



A round of applause from the audience



The International Herald Tribune team



Victor Fung from Hong Kong Baptist University, with Troy Dunkley and Robert Haddow from South China Morning Post



Charles Zhu and James Pomfret of Thomson Reuters



Guests from different publications and companies gathered together for a night of celebration



The One Media Group table



The SOPA Awards' judges table



The Financial Times table



The Thomson Reuters Hong Kong table



The DestinAsian Media Group team and the Sing Tao News team

SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence Prize Presentation – Prize



Journalist of the Year, Hannah Beech,
from TIME Magazine



SOPA 2011 Awards for Editorial Excellence



The award winners



The Yazhou Zhoukan award-winning team



The award-winning South China Morning Post team



The Modern Media winning team



Liang Su Kuang, Cheung Ka Lok and Lui Tsz Lok from Apple Daily



The International Herald Tribune shared their winning moment as a team



Neo Xiaobin and Samuel He from The Straits Times were overjoyed with their SOPA Awards



A moment of glory for Apple Daily — Liang Su Kuang and Cheung Ka Lok carried away their impressive number of SOPA Awards



The International Herald Tribune winning team took a group photo on stage with their SOPA Awards



Winners from Yazhou Zhoukan, Ming Pao Daily News and One Media Group



The Triumphant team from South China Morning Post



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List of Judges

Name	Company	Title (as at the time of printing)
Kevin Anderson	New Media	Consultant and Blogger / Freelance journalist and digital strategist
Roy Appleton	The Dallas Morning News	Staff Writer
Joyce Barnathan	ICFJ (International Center for Journalists)	President
Patrick Barta	The Wall Street Journal	Southeast Asia Bureau Chief
Jasper Becker	Asia Weekly	Publisher
Keith Bradsher	The New York Times	Hong Kong Bureau Chief
Diane Brady	Bloomberg BusinessWeek	Senior Editor and Content Chief
Ann M. Brill	University of Kansas	Dean, William Allen White School of Journalism and Mass Communications
Cliff Buddle	South China Morning Post	Deputy Editor / Editor-in-Chief
Quinton Chan	South China Morning Post	News Editor / Hong Kong Editor, SCMP
Joseph M. Chan	The Chinese University of Hong Kong	Professor of Journalism and Communication
Yuen Ying Chan	The University of Hong Kong	Director, Journalism & Media Studies Centre
Allen Cheng	Institutional Investor Inc.	Managing Director of Institutional Investor Magazine Group (Asia)
Chung-yan Chow	South China Morning Post	News Editor
Sheila Coronel	Columbia University	Director of The Toni Stabile Center for Investigative Journalism at Columbia
Michael Coyne	The University of Hong Kong	Honorary Lecturer
Phillip Day	Market News International	Asia News Editor
Matthew Driskill	Thomson Reuters, Singapore	Senior Editor
Bob Drogin	Los Angeles Times	National Correspondent
Graham Earnshaw	XSEL Ltd.	President / Publisher of China Economic Review and Earnshaw Books
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