

MARQUEE SPORTS NETWORK LANDS 12 REGIONAL EMMY NOMINATIONS

Network nominated for outstanding achievement in live sporting event and live sports program, plus recognized for studio programming and on-air talent

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CHICAGO – Marquee Sports Network has received 12 nominations for the 63rd annual Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy® Awards, including two nominations for outstanding achievement in a live sporting event, two nominations for outstanding achievement in a sports interview/discussion and a nomination for outstanding achievement for a sports program/series. Award recipients will be announced in late November.

"We are very proud of our wonderful production, talent, engineering and marketing teams on being deservedly recognized for excellence in their field," said Marquee Sports Network General Manager Mike McCarthy. "When considering the challenges of launching a network at the start of a pandemic 20 months ago, it is particularly gratifying to see everyone's hard work recognized in this way. I want to congratulate Mike Santini, Maleek Ndile, Nick Steger, Amy McDevitt, Deb Schneider and their respective teams for their remarkable efforts in a very unique environment."

In the category of outstanding achievement for sports in a live single program or series, Marquee Sports Network's pregame studio show, *Cubs Live!*, earned recognition for its special two-hour pregame coverage prior to 2021 Opening Day, the first game back at Wrigley Field with fans since the 2019 season.

For outstanding achievement in a live sporting event, Marquee Sports Network earned nominations for the Cubs series sweep over the Dodgers on May 4-5, 2021, as well as the May 26, 2021 broadcast at the Pittsburgh Pirates. During the May 4-5 series, Marquee Sports Network unveiled the megalodon camera, becoming the first MLB team to utilize the technology. On May 26, with the Cubs playing in Pittsburgh, Marquee Sports Network utilized former Cubs pitcher Ryan Dempster at Wrigley Field, having him take part in demonstrations on the field in reaction to real-time game events happening at PNC Park.

Marquee Sports Network earned two nominations for outstanding achievement in a sports interview/discussion, including episode four of *Class is in Session with Doug Glanville* as Glanville sat down with Jason Heyward, Curtis Granderson and Ken Rosenthal for a discussion about MLB's decision to move the MLB All-Star Game, as well as a special Juneteenth episode of *Cubs 360* featuring host Cole Wright and guests Doug Glanville, Shawon Dunston and Andre Dawson.

Marquee Sports Network on-air talent and staff were also recognized in the craft achievement categories, including for sports anchor/reporter/play-by-play as studio host Cole Wright, analyst Carlos Peña and host/analyst Doug Glanville were all nominated. Scott Changnon was nominated for the craft achievement off-air photography category.

Additional series/spot nominations include the series *Let's Play Two* for outstanding achievement in a post-produced/edited single sports program/series, the film *Mayor of Rush Street* on the life of Harry Caray for outstanding achievement for a sports documentary and the promotional spot *Marquee Manifesto* for outstanding achievement in a single-spot commercial.

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"A special thank you goes out to our colleagues at the Chicago Cubs as none of our success would be possible without their support or without the access they provided," said McCarthy. "Crane Kenney and Cubs management had promised access from the outset, and the Cubs delivered. In addition to our nominations, we're also proud of the outstanding work done by the Cubs Productions team, which received many well-deserved nominations of their own. We look forward to continuing to showcase Cubs Productions documentaries and programs on Marquee Sports Network."

The full list of Marquee Sports Network nominees for the 63rd annual Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy Awards can be found below.

63rd Annual Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy Awards - Nominations

Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Single Program/Series - Live

• Cubs Live! Opening Day: April 1, 2021

Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Single Program/Series - Post-Produced or Edited

• Let's Play Two

Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Live Sporting Event - Single Game/Series

- Cubs Game at Pirates: May 26, 2021
- Cubs Series vs. Dodgers: May 4-5, 2021

Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Documentary

Mayor of Rush Street

Outstanding Achievement for Sports - Interview/Discussion - Short or Long Form Content

- Class is in Session Special: MLB's Decision on All-Star Game
- Cubs 360: Juneteenth Special

Outstanding Achievement for Commercials - Single Spot

Marquee Manifesto

Outstanding Crafts Achievement for On-Camera Talent - Sports Anchor/Reporter/Play-by-Play

- Cole Wright
- Carlos Peña
- Doug Glanville

Outstanding Crafts Achievement Off-Air - Photographer - Sports

• Scott Changnon

The list of all Chicago/Midwest Regional Emmy nominations can be found here.

ABOUT MARQUEE SPORTS NETWORK: In partnership with the Chicago Cubs and Sinclair Broadcast Group (Nasdaq: SBGI), Marquee Sports Network brings together one of the most iconic sports franchises in the country with one of the largest television broadcasting companies to deliver unparalleled Cubs coverage, as well as additional local live sporting events and original programming. Marquee Sports Network is available within the Cubs home television territory in portions of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin, and is carried on more than 50 cable providers, as well as streaming platforms DIRECTV STREAM (formerly AT&T TV) and fuboTV. For more information, visit marqueesportsnetwork.com/about.

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