

## Archived “More Alumni in Recent News” Posts from 2022 to 2024

- Congratulations to **Blake Bridges** (ABJ '97), on his promotion to president and general manager of WYFF-TV. (Oct. 21, 2024)
- Congratulations to **Jim Wallace** (ABJ '76) on his [retirement from WALB News 10](#) after 47 years at the station! (July 2, 2024)
- Congratulations to **Andrew Huff** (ABJ '22), Stakeholder Engagement Communication Manager at Georgia Power Company, on graduating from Leadership DeKalb. (June 24, 2024)
- We send our condolences to the family of **Martha Ezzard** (ABJ '60), on her recent death. Ezzard was a former state senator in Colorado and served on the editorial Board of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Her obituary can be read [here](#). (Nov. 6, 2023)
- We send our condolences to the family of **Jim Wooten** (ABJ '68) on his recent death. Wooten was a Grady Fellow from the 2008 class and served as an editor and political columnist for the Atlanta Journal Constitution. A remembrance from the AJC can be read [here](#). (Nov. 1, 2023)
- Congratulations to **Gordon Green** (ABJ '78) on his induction into the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Golden Circle, representing 50 years in the Video business tonight. Green is a corporate marketing video lead at NetApp.
- We send our condolences to the family of **Jonathan Gallo** (ABJ '99) on his recent death. Gallo received our Young Alumni Award in 2007. His obituary can be read [here](#).
- We send our condolences to the family of **Joshua Jones** (ABJ '08) regarding his recent death. Jones graduated from Grady College with a degree in Public Relations and was an award-winning public relations and public affairs practitioner. His obituary can be read [here](#).
- Congratulations to **Edward DeMarco** (MA '88) on winning a Nautilus Book Award for his memoir about Ethiopia, “[Last Days in Naked Valley](#).” (June 1, 2023)
- Congratulations to **Sam Dick** (ABJ '78), a longtime anchor for WKYT, on [being named to the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame](#).
- Congratulations to **Jenn Sloan** (ABJ '86) on her promotion to senior vice president, public policy and stakeholder engagement for Mastercard.
- Congratulations to **Rebecca Hannan** (ABJ '11), senior manager of creative strategy and content at Coca-Cola, on being named by Insider Business as one of the 26 Rising Stars in Marketing for 2023.
- It is with sadness that we [recognize the death](#) of **William ‘Ort’ Carlton** (ABJ '79), a DJ, record collector, raconteur and beloved Athens local.
- Congratulations to **Casey Bruce-White** (ABJ '11), who has been [named to a list](#) of Top Women Leaders in Miami.
- Congratulations to **Ryan Reece** (MFA '16), whose film “Illation” has won more than 20 recognitions from film festivals including “Best Short Screenplay” from the Hollywood Script Awards. Reece teaches Intro to Screenwriting [@DaltonState](#). Watch the film: [vimeo.com/735107273](https://vimeo.com/735107273)
- Congratulations to **Pastor Nawanna Miller** (ABJ '73), founder of Pamoja arts group on campus, on the 52nd anniversary of the start of the group. Read her [interview with the Red & Black](#). (Dec. 5, 2022)

- Congratulations to **Ashlea Harris** (MA '03) on being named the global head of client services, SMB, at Tik Tok. (Oct. 27, 2022)
- Congratulations to **Adam Fouche** (ABJ '02) [on being named director](#) of the University of Georgia's Office of Emergency Preparedness and Insurance and Claims Management.
- Congratulations to **Ed Nichols** (ABJ '62) on publishing his new book, "[The Boy In The Book](#)," a collection of new prose poems and flash fiction.
- Congratulations to **David Kramer** (ABJ '90) on [being named president](#) of United Talent Agency.
- We send our heart-felt condolences to the family of **Patrick Lee** (ABJ '13) on his recent death. Lee graduated from Grady College with a degree in public relations and was a cloud security specialist with Barracuda Networks. His obituary can be read [here](#).
- Congratulations **Charles Hicks** (ABJ '13) on [winning the Wells-Graham Award for Outstanding Service](#). The honor goes to one Morris, Manning & Martin, LLP, attorney or staff member who goes above and beyond in their dedication to serving the community.
- A big shout-out to **TJ Adeshola** (MA '08), named an inductee of the [Advertising Hall of Achievement by the American Advertising Federation](#). Adeshola is the head of global partnerships at Twitter. (Aug. 12, 2022)
- Congratulations to **Nancy Elder** (ABJ '88) on [being named](#) the New York Mets' chief communications officer. (July 14, 2022)
- Condolences go to the family of **Creg Smith** (ABJ '70) on his recent death. His [obituary](#) can be read here. (July 5, 2022)
- Congratulations to **Brent Hyams** (ABJ '94 ) on his new position as [general manager of Cannery Row](#), a performing arts space in Nashville. (May 27, 2022)
- Congratulations to **Stacy Willingham** (ABJ '13), whose first novel, A Flicker in the Dark, landed on the New York Times Bestseller list. [Read here](#) for a profile by the UGA Alumni Association. (May 19, 2022)
- Congratulations to **Pam Avery** (ABJ '72) on the release of her new book, The Tanner Side of Town. (May 10, 2022)
- Congratulations [Alex Urban](#) (MA '12) on being named executive director of the TOUR Championship.
- It is with sadness that we recognize the death of [Connie Ward](#). Ward served in a variety of communications roles, including Jimmy Carter's gubernatorial campaign teams and later on the nation's first State Film Commission.
- Congratulations **Cal Massey** (ABJ '78) on the publication of his first novel, "Own Little Words." The book won an award from the Journal of Experimental Fiction in Chicago. Massey said: "I wanted to let you know that my love of writing and respect for journalism as necessary, important work was discovered and nurtured at UGA. A 65-year-old first time novelist remains in love with words." (April 15, 2022)
- Our condolences to the family of former Grady professor **James Aldridge** (ABJ '60, MA '62) who [passed away March 26, 2022](#).
- Congratulations, [Katie Barlow](#) (ABJ '11), who was named chief legal correspondent for WTTG Washington.