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On-Air promotion for *The Violin Alone* wins Emmy® Award

The MontanaPBS documentary film *The Violin Alone* received a National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Emmy® Award at the 54th annual Northwest Regional Emmy Awards on June 3rd, 2017. Scott Sterling, producer and director of the film, and MSU alumni, accepted the award for the "Program Promotion-Single Spot" category, in Seattle, Washington on June 3rd, 2017.

"We are so proud of Scott Sterling's beautiful cinematography and expert storytelling of which we get glimpse in this Emmy-award winning promotional video." - Aaron Pruitt, MontanaPBS Director of Content & Associate General Manager, KUSM-TV.

The Violin Alone is the story of two modern visionaries, an extreme classical concerto, and a quest to push the boundaries of music and our idea of the possible. Montana State University professor and contemporary classical composer Eric Funk, and Hungarian violin virtuoso Vilmos Olah re-imagine what music can be.

"MontanaPBS congratulates Scott Sterling for his much deserved Emmy recognition, and all of our other nominees for their great work this past year. They represent the best in the business and we're so lucky to have this fantastic group of folks sharing their talents with all of us in Montana." - Eric Hyyppa, KUSM TV Director & General Manager

MontanaPBS received 7 additional Nominations for the 2016 Awards.

- *Backroads of Montana: Sharp Shooters* for Arts/Entertainment - Program/Special - John Twiggs, Producer, Ray Ekness, Producer
- *The Rundown with Beth Saboe: The Future of Colstrip* for Public/Current/Community Affairs - Program/Special - Ben Skudlarek, Producer • Beth Saboe, News & Current Affairs Producer
- *The Rundown with Beth Saboe: On the Ballot* for Politics/Government - Program/Special - Ben Skudlarek, Producer • Beth Saboe, News & Current Affairs Producer
- *The Rundown with Beth Saboe: Montana's Next Governor* for Politics/Government - Program/Special - Ben Skudlarek, Producer • Beth Saboe, News & Current Affairs Producer
- *11th & Grant with Eric Funk featuring Julia Cory Slovarp & Friends* for Director- Scott Sterling
- *The Rundown with Beth Saboe - Series Graphics Package* for Graphic Arts- Kyle Sorenson
- *11th & Grant with Eric Funk featuring Julia Cory Slovarp & Friends* for Audio - Jeremiah Slovarp

The Northwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences recognizes the best work of television and media Professionals in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

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