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**WCMU Wins Three Michigan EMMY Awards for “Destination Michigan”**  
*Including a win in the Magazine Program category for the fourth consecutive year*

WCMU Public Media’s flagship television magazine show “Destination Michigan” was awarded three 2021 Michigan EMMYs by the National Academy of Arts and Sciences Michigan Chapter during a virtual award ceremony on June 19. WCMU received wins in the following categories: Magazine Program, Video Journalist, and Photographer – Long Form Content.

“The WCMU TV production team is proud to be acknowledged by the National Academy of Arts and Sciences Michigan Chapter,” says Television Production Manager and Executive Producer, Chris Ogozaly. “We take tremendous pride in telling the phenomenal stories that Michiganders share with us.”

“Destination Michigan,” an original series produced by WCMU Public Media highlighting the people and places that make Michigan a special place to live, won in the Magazine Program category for the fourth consecutive year. The winning episode from Season 12 focuses on the vibrant fall season, including stories on why leaves change color, Eastman’s Forgotten Ciders and Antique Apple Orchard in Wheeler, the Wild Pumpkin in Beaverton, Shepherd Country Crops Farmer’s Market, Freakin’ Pickles in Au Gres, and Mount Pleasant’s Mountain Town Brewing Co. EMMY recipients for this category include Chris Ogozaly, Matthew Ozanich, Stefanie Mills, Adam Miedema, Courtney Jerome, and retired Steve Smith.

The next win was in the category of Video Journalist, for excellence by a cross-discipline individual serving as a photojournalist, editor, talent, and writer. WCMU’s Matthew Ozanich was honored with this EMMY. The winning creative segment showcases the popular Michigan card game, Euchre.

A third EMMY win for WCMU was in the category of Photographer – Long Form Content. The winning designation was awarded to Chris Ogozaly and Adam Miedema for their video work on “Destination Michigan.” Ogozaly excites, “We’re honored to be recognized for the compelling images we captured while highlighting the state we call home.”

“Destination Michigan” is available to watch on television across central and northern Michigan on WCMU PBS, YouTube TV, at WCMU.org, [pbs.org/show/destination-michigan](https://www.pbs.org/show/destination-michigan), the WCMU

app, and on the PBS Video App.

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