

Student newspaper staffers win New York Press Association awards

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Three staff members of the Fiat Lux, the student newspaper at Alfred University, have won Excellence Awards in the 2005 Better College Newspaper Contest sponsored by the New York Press Association. Alex Raskin, a senior communications studies major from Andover, NY, was awarded second place in column writing. Nicole Latini, a senior art and design major from New Hartford, NY, won third-place recognition in the same category. Carlos Bido, a theater major from the Bronx, was awarded third place in photography. There were 256 entries from 20 colleges in the competition, including Syracuse University, Ithaca College, Hofstra University, and the University of Rochester. Staff from daily and weekly newspapers participated. One of the judges described Bido's work as "very powerful, indeed. Excellent cropping and great composition. Carlos will go far with his talent." Dr. Robyn Goodman, associate professor of communications, is adviser to the Fiat Lux.