

# Grandin Media honoured with awards at Catholic Media Conference

Grandin Media has been honoured at this year's Catholic Press Association annual conference, which recognizes the best in Catholic media in Canada and the United States.

Reporter Kyle Greenham won two first place awards. He won Best Multimedia Package-Pro-Life for his feature on a March for Life speaker with Downs Syndrome, and Best Online Content not Published in Print for his Faith and Spirit series of stories on indigenous Catholics in the Diocese of St. Paul.

Videographer Matthew Bodnarek won Best Blog as producer of his Vital Word series of video blogs.

Graphic designer Chris Jugo received second place recognition as Graphic Artist/Designer of the Year for his body of work.

And digital media specialist Lincoln Ho received an honourable mention as Social Media Professional of the Year.

Grandin Media received the CPA awards at the annual Catholic Media Conference June 30 to July 2. The Catholic Press Association represents nearly 225 publications and 600 individual members across Canada and the U.S.

"It means a lot to us to have the excellent work of our colleagues in the Communications Office and Grandin Media recognized by our peers across North America through these awards," said Lorraine Turchansky, chief communications officer for the Archdiocese of Edmonton.

"Each of them has brought a high level of integrity, professionalism and talent to their work as a team, and I am blessed to work with them. It's a tribute as well to the leadership of Archbishop Richard Smith, who has encouraged us to embrace digital technologies to share our stories of faith and hope in ever more creative ways."

Andrew Ehrkamp, news editor of Grandin Media, echoed that sentiment.

"This is a tremendous achievement and I'm very proud that Grandin Media can stand shoulder to shoulder with the top Catholic publications across North America. Each team member brings excellence in his field to Grandin Media. Collectively we're using the tools of the digital age to tell the Catholic story far and wide."

Launched in December 2017, Grandin Media takes its name from Vital-Justin Grandin, an Oblate missionary who became the first Bishop of the Diocese of St.

Albert in 1859. He was declared venerable in 1966.

Last year, Grandin Media won four CPA awards including best website.