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THE CELEBRATIONS

Celebrate excellence in global journalism and factual storytelling at the 22nd annual AIBs Gala

Join colleagues from across the international media industry in London on Friday 20 November 2026 for an evening celebrating outstanding journalism and factual production.

The **AIBs** Gala returns to the Park Hyatt London River Thames, bringing together journalists, presenters, producers, editors and senior executives from broadcasters and production companies around the world. This year's shortlist includes work from more than 70 companies in 22 countries, making the gala an exceptional opportunity to meet colleagues, exchange ideas and develop new professional relationships across borders.

Alongside the presentation of the 2026 awards, there will be ample time to reconnect with existing contacts, meet shortlisted teams and judges, and start conversations that can lead to future partnerships, commissions and co-productions.

Hosted by **Maria Ramos** of **TRT World**, the evening includes a drinks reception, a three-course dinner with wines and non-alcoholic alternatives, the awards presentation and post-dinner networking and celebration. Be part of a truly international evening celebrating excellence, independence and creativity across our industry.

Reserve your seats or table at www.theaibs.tv, or scan the QR code to book places.

Scan to reserve your place at the **AIBs** Gala 2026, or visit www.theaibs.tv

COMPANIES IN THE 2026 SHORTLIST

5 News, ITN | UK
ABC Australia | Australia
ABC Australia and NBC PNG | Australia/Papua New Guinea
Al Jazeera | Qatar
All-American Ruins | USA
BBC | UK
Bloomberg | UK
Bloomberg Originals | USA
CBC | Canada
China Global Television (CGTN) | China
CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd | Singapore
CNN | USA
CTVC for BBC World Service | UK
Deutsche Welle (DW) | Germany
Financial Times | UK
Fishery Radio Station | Taiwan, R.O.C
GMA Network Inc. | Philippines
Green Bean Media | UK
Halcyons Heart Films for Channel 4 | UK
Jhost Studio | Taiwan
JETZT.at & IPPEN Media | Austria
Kalel Productions for Channel 4 | UK
Kaohsiung Broadcasting Station | Taiwan
Keyi Productions | France
KNN (Korea New Network) | South Korea
Korean Broadcasting System | South Korea
Mint Pictures | Australia
Munck Studios | Germany
Munhwa Broadcasting Corporation (MBC) | South Korea
National Education Radio | Taiwan, R.O.C
On Our Radar | UK
ORF - Austrian Broadcasting Corporation | Austria
PA-Press Association | UK
Pano for VRT NWS | Belgium
Phoenix Satellite Television | China
Pod60 for The Telegraph | UK
Pomona Audio for BBC Radio 2 | UK
Radio Taiwan International | Taiwan
Radio-Canada | Canada
Rai Radiotelevisione Italiana | Italy
Renegade Stories | UK
RFE/RL Ukrainian Service | Czech Rep.
RTÉ | Ireland
RTÉ Documentary On One | Ireland
Sanlih E-Television Co. Ltd | Taiwan, R.O.C
SBS Dateline | Australia
Sky | UK
Sky News Australia (News24) | Australia
Studio 9 Films Ltd | UK
Sveriges Radio | Sweden
The Economist | UK
The National News | UAE
The Observer | UK
Times Radio | UK
Tortoise Media for Audible UK | UK
TRT World | UK
TRT World | Türkiye
TV Globo | UK
TV Record | Brazil
VRT NWS for VRT | Belgium
WDR | Germany
WDR for ARD | Germany
Whistledown | UK
Wildbear, WoodenHorse and Artemis media for ABC Australia | Australia

CONGRATULATIONS!

The Association for International Broadcasting is delighted to announce the shortlist for the AIBs 2026 – our 22nd annual international awards.

The **AIBs** recognise outstanding journalism and factual production across video, audio and digital platforms. They are open to work in every language and are judged independently by an international panel of experienced media professionals.

Securing a place on the shortlist is a significant achievement. This year, shortlisted work comes from more than 70 broadcasters and production companies in 22 countries, demonstrating both the international reach of the competition and the remarkable breadth of talent working across our industry.

The shortlist encompasses reporting from the world's most challenging environments, major investigations, compelling documentaries, innovative factual formats and outstanding individual achievement. Together, these entries demonstrate journalism and storytelling at their most ambitious, creative and impactful.

Our panel of over 60 independent judges is now evaluating the shortlisted work to determine the winner and, where appropriate, highly commended entry in each category.

The results will be revealed at the **AIBs** Gala on Friday 20 November 2026 at the Park Hyatt London River Thames. The evening will bring together shortlisted teams, judges and colleagues from across the international media industry for the awards presentation, dinner and extensive networking.

We congratulate everyone represented in the 2026 shortlist and look forward to welcoming many of you to London in November.

Find out more about the AIBs 2026, explore previous editions and reserve your gala places at www.theaibs.tv

VIDEO

ARTS and CULTURE

A Song for My Father – ABC Australia
Free Words – TRT World
Stuff the British Stole (S3) – Wildbear, WoodenHorse and Artemis Media for ABC Australia
The Mark of Empire: Kingdoms of the Sea – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
The Seodaemun Prison – Munhwa Broadcasting Corporation (MBC)
Wan Kantri: The Next 50 Years – ABC Australia and NBC Papua New Guinea

BROADCAST-to-DIGITAL

All Hail the Military – Al Jazeera English
Death in Dubai – BBC Eye Investigations/BBC World Service Impact Team
Go for Gold: Bringing Sports Science Beyond Radio – Radio Taiwan International/Jhost Studio
Iran war shows how low-cost drones reshape modern warfare – TRT World
The Darkest Web – BBC Storyville/BBC Eye Investigations/BBC World Service Impact Team/BBC News Social

CONTINUING NEWS

Afghanistan – BBC News
Asia First: Iran war – One month on – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
Documenting Palestinian lives during Israel-Iran war – TRT World
Exposed: Inside Britain's Cosmetic Wild West – 5 News, ITN
Jomana Karadsheh covers Iran: The Iranian voices the regime tried to silence – CNN
War in the Middle East Hits Energy Markets – Bloomberg Television

DAILY or BREAKING NEWS

Bondi Massacre – News24 (formerly Sky News Australia)
Family evacuated while homes burn in Belfast riots – Press Association
Myanmar Rebels – BBC News
War in the Middle East Hits Energy Markets – Bloomberg Television

DOMESTIC AFFAIRS DOCUMENTARY

Five Years On: You Alright? – The Final Hurdle – Green Bean Media
Give Me Back My Name – RFE/RL's Ukrainian Service
Go for Gold: The Science Behind Champions – Sanlih E-Television Co. Ltd/Jhost Studio
Our Girls: The Southport Families – BBC Breakfast
Spotlight: Politician, Predator & Paedophile – BBC Northern Ireland
Philippines: The Fishermen, China, and the Sea – Keyi Productions and Arte G.E.I.E.
The Hunt for the Last Nazis – Mint Pictures & SBS Australia

HEALTH, SOCIAL and WELLBEING

101 East – Philippines: Speak of the Devil – Al Jazeera English
Dirty Business – Halcyons Heart Films
Good Death Innovators – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
Guardians of Your Life: Stories from the ICU – China Global Television Network (CGTN)
Pano: Between hope and despair – VRT NWS Pano
The World's Most Remote Rescue? – SBS Dateline
Transhuman – Korean Broadcasting System

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DOCUMENTARY

Bangladesh's missing billions, stolen in plain sight – Financial Times
Born in the Holocaust – Record
Foreign Correspondent – Narco Islands – Australian Broadcasting Corporation
Inside Unit 731: Japan's Secret Human Experiments – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
Sport and Suppression: Afghan Women Under Taliban Rule – WDR
Under an Olive Tree – TRT World
Witness – Tehran War Diary – Al Jazeera English

INVESTIGATIVE DOCUMENTARY

Foreign Correspondent – Cartel Paradise – Australian Broadcasting Corporation
Murder on Rainbow Mountain – Bloomberg Originals
Myanmar Scam Factory – Off The Grid/TRT World
Pano: The scam machine – VRT NWS Pano
Panorama – Undercover in the Police – BBC Panorama
Separation: Declassified – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
The Immigration Fraudsters – BBC News

JOURNALIST of the YEAR

Ahmed Idris
Emil Sumangil
John Holman
Nawal Al-Maghafi
Robert Kempe
Wei Du
Yogita Limaye

OBSERVATIONAL DOCUMENTARY

Born in Bethlehem – Renegade Stories & BBC World Service Eye Investigations
Inside the Police Coast Guard – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
Making Peace – I Heal You, You Heal Me – Al Jazeera English
My Father's Hair – Keyi Productions for Arte G.E.I.E.
Playing on a Prayer – ABC Australia
The Fight Against Trump's Immigration Crackdown – Bloomberg Originals
The Song of Trees – KNN (Korea New Network)

POLITICS and BUSINESS

Gen Z Under Fire – BBC Eye Investigations
Germany's spending gamble – Financial Times
Rigged: Undercover in a Fake News Network – BBC Eye Investigations/BBC World Service
The Cost of Doing Business – SBS Dateline
This is What Brexit Cost the World – Bloomberg Originals
Walk the Line: ICE Nation – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
WILL AI TAKE MY JOB? Dispatches – Kalel Productions for Channel 4

SHORT FEATURE

A matter of life or death: giving birth in Sierra Leone – On Our Radar, Fuller, Channel 4 News
Angola's Source of Life – TRT World
Coffins for the Living – **Fantástico** – TV Globo
Greenland Minerals – Al Jazeera Arabic Channel
Is it the end of the line for British cod? – 5 News, ITN
Marketplace: The Sextortion Network – CBC
The War Zone Surgeon: Relief Diary of a Female MSF Doctor – Phoenix Satellite Television

SUSTAINABILITY

Cultiver sans engrais – Radio-Canada
People & Power – Forever Chemicals – A Toxic Legacy – Al Jazeera English
Rescuing Dolphin Brothers and Wanwan Going Home – Phoenix Satellite Television
The Atom Araullo Specials: Golden Tree – GMA Network, Inc. (Public Affairs)
Tides of Time – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
The Pacific: Tuvalu - We're Not Fleeing – Australian Broadcasting Corporation

AUDIO

ARTS and CULTURE

21st Century Folk – Pomona Audio for BBC Radio 2
Anatomy of an orchestra: the price of perfection – The Economist
Before AI forgets: Taiwan's Century-Long Journey to Reclaim a Language – Radio Taiwan International
E T T Y - audio drama based on the diaries of Etty Hillesum – ORF/HR
Histoires de voix – ICI Radio-Canada Première, Les médias francophones publics
The Devil You Know – CBC
Wolf Biermann – The German Bob Dylan exiled by the GDR – Munck Studios

CURRENT AFFAIRS DOCUMENTARY

Delayland – DW (Deutsche Welle)
Le Loro Prigioni – Their Prisons – Rai Radiotelevisione Italiana
My Russian Neighbour, Friend or Foe? – Beyond Borders, TRT World
Pirate Predator – RTÉ Documentary on One
Beyond the Headlines – The National News
When AI Learns to Speak: Voice, Trust and the Future of Radio – National Education Radio/Jhost Studio
World of Secrets: The Darkest Web – BBC Eye Investigations

HEALTH, SOCIAL and WELLBEING

About The Girls – Whistledown
ACAKORO – football can change your life – ORF Austrian Broadcasting Corporation, OE1
Nach dem Absturz (After the Crash) – JETZT.at with IPPEN Media
Deaf Umrah – CTVC for BBC World Service
Jesus in a shop doorway – BBC World Service
The Echo of Nibun: The Dentist Choirmaster in the Mountain Town – Kaohsiung Broadcasting Station
Viva La Vida: Love Confession of a Survivor of Suicide – Fishery Radio Station

INNOVATIVE PRODUCTION

30 Acres – RTÉ Documentary On One & RTÉ Drama On One
abandoned: The All-American Ruins Podcast – All-American Ruins
Les années lumière – ICI Radio-Canada Première
P R I N C E – FunkyPurpleAssociations – ORF Austrian Broadcasting Corporation
Stuff Matters with Ed Conway – Sky News

INVESTIGATIVE DOCUMENTARY

Al Jazeera Investigates – 36 July: Uprising in Bangladesh – Al Jazeera English
Battle of the Drina – Studio 9 Films
Foundling – The Observer
Influenced: The Tenet Media Plot – Tortoise Media/Audible
The Dictator's Swedish Warriors – Sveriges Radio
The House at Number 48 – BBC Radio 4
World of Secrets: Death in Dubai – BBC Eye and Thread Studios for BBC World Service

JOURNALIST of the YEAR

Beth Rigby
Ivana Davidovic
Mishal Husain
Tsan Uí-bîn
Tu Chieh

NEWS COVERAGE

Coverage of the Iran War – The Mishal Husain Show – Bloomberg
Electoral Dysfunction – Sky News
Inside Iran: the US/Israeli airstrikes from all perspectives – Times Radio
Iran bombs entire Middle East after Ayatollah Khamenei assassinated by Israel and US – Pod60 for The Telegraph
The US Goes to War with Iran - Bloomberg This Weekend – Bloomberg Radio & Television

SUSTAINABILITY

Behind the Glass: Bangkok's Loneliest Gorilla – CNA, Mediacorp Pte Ltd
Politok - The Day the Taro Stopped Growing – ABC Radio Australia

PARTNER WITH THE AIBs

Place your organisation alongside outstanding journalism and factual production – and connect your brand with an influential international media audience.

The **AIBs** are organised by the Association for International Broadcasting, an independent, not-for-profit industry association. Sponsorship and advertising help us showcase exceptional work, celebrate the people who create it and support the continuing development of these international awards.

The 2026 shortlist represents more than 70 broadcasters and production companies across 22 countries. The gala brings together journalists, producers, editors, executives and industry partners, providing sponsors with valuable visibility among decision-makers and creative leaders from across global media.

Sponsorship
A range of partnership opportunities is available around the **AIBs** Gala and associated awards activity. We can work with partners to develop an appropriate package of visibility, engagement and participation before, during and after the event.

AIBs Gala Event Guide
Every guest receives the Event Guide, containing information about the evening and the productions and individuals represented across the awards. Guests frequently retain and share the publication, extending its reach beyond the gala itself.

AIBs Winners Book
Our souvenir Winners Book records the winning and highly commended work, together with judges' comments, interviews and editorial features. It is published online following the gala, with printed copies available to guests and industry contacts.

Demonstrate your support for independent journalism and outstanding factual storytelling by sponsoring the **AIBs** or advertising in the 2026 Event Guide, Winners Book – or both.

Winners book

Event guide

Download the full information pack including rates and specifications using the QR code

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ABOUT THE AIB

Established in 1993, AIB is the industry association representing international TV, radio and digital broadcasters and companies that support the sector.

AIB provides its members with advocacy, intelligence, networking, promotion and a range of other key services.

Our members operate television, radio and digital services in multiple languages that, every week, **reach** well in excess of **one billion people** in almost every country on the planet. We also have companies that support media houses among our Membership.

Key areas of work include:
Artificial Intelligence - sharing best practice in the fast developing role of AI in news organisations
Big Tech – working with Members on relationships with Big Tech companies in markets globally
Content sharing – facilitating Members' access to the output of colleagues around the world
Cyber security – helping Members exchange information and engage with suppliers to protect their businesses
Sustainability – working with Members to make their businesses net zero and to engage audiences on issues around sustainability

A further key area of work is our media freedom initiative. AIB is a Member of the Consultative Network to the intergovernmental **Media Freedom Coalition**. This places AIB at the heart of global work on media freedom.

The annual **AIBs** support our media freedom work, allowing us to demonstrate the importance of fair and impartial journalism and factual storytelling to key influencers in the Coalition.

The AIB draws on more than 30 years of knowledge gathering and intelligence sharing in the international media market to deliver outstanding support to our Members.

The Association's work is entirely centred on, and devoted to, the needs of our members.
Please **talk to us** about how joining the AIB can help you and your colleagues.

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