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TWO WSRE PRODUCTIONS WIN TELLY AWARDS

Pensacola, Fla., July 2, 2018 — Two WSRE productions, “In Your Own Backyard: The Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival” and “Best of StudioAmped: Volume 2,” have been awarded the bronze Telly Award for excellence in video and television production.

“In Your Own Backyard,” hosted by Sherri Hemminghaus Weeks, is about unique points of interest along the Gulf Coast. Producing this award-winning episode were WSRE’s James Roy (writer, producer, videographer and editor), videographer Kendall Faust and editor/videographer Ted King. Previous Telly Award-winning episodes from the “In Your Own Backyard” series include “The Blue Angels Air Shows,” “Pensacon,” “Undersea Northwest Florida” and “Forts of Pensacola Bay: Advanced Redoubt.”

“StudioAmped” is WSRE’s long-running concert series, featuring regional bands playing original music in the Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio. Bill Harrell is the executive producer, James Roy is director/editor, Allen Abrahamson and Jeff Jordan are the broadcast audio engineers, and Ted King is technical director.

“The Best of Studio Amped: Volume 2” is a 90-minute compilation of songs from seasons 5 through 9, showcasing 18 different bands: The Wide Open, Sugarcane Jane, Hotel Oscar, Timberhawk, Melissa Joiner, Post Pluto, Chris Alvarado, Paw Paw’s Medicine Cabinet, Flow Tribe, The Vegabonds, Jeff Glickman & The Panhandle All Stars, Fatty Waters, The Mulligan Brothers, Noiseheads, Southern Drawl Band, Lee Yankie & The Hellz Yeah, Willie Sugarcapps, and The Truth Featuring Cat Rhodes.

Both programs can be viewed online at wsre.org/watch.

Telly Awards are sought-after by production companies, television stations, cable operators, advertising agencies, interactive agencies and corporate video departments around the world.

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About WSRE

WSRE is a Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) member station, locally owned and licensed to the Pensacola State College District Board of Trustees. Since 1967, WSRE has served Gulf Coast communities with informative, educational and entertaining programs and services. WSRE produces, acquires and distributes programs that address local interests and reflect the diverse cultural, political, geographic and demographic characteristics of the coverage area, and WSRE connects teachers, parents, caregivers and children to PBS educational resources.