



READER'S

CHOICE

WINNERS



MLIVE'S MICHIGAN'S BEST READER'S CHOICE

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early a decade ago when we started our Michigan's Best contests, we took the lead from our readers. We asked them to nominate their favorite places to dig into a pizza, grab a hand-pattied burger with a side of hot and salty fries, or sample the best craft beer and boutique-style wines. Now we're happy to say we've put our readers front and center, letting them be the guides as we expanded our search not just for the best places to eat and drink, but favorite retail businesses, contractors and even the best campgrounds and music venues.

Our first-ever Reader's Choice contest, run by our sales and marketing team at MLive Media Group, brought in nearly 10,000 nominations when it launched earlier this year. Those top nominations were then placed into polls, and our readers were asked to vote for their favorites across a broad range of categories.

We're happy to say more than 29,600 votes were cast for winners and finalists across three regions in our state: West Michigan, as well as Northeast and Southeast Michigan.

Anne Drummond, director of Creative Advertising Sales for MLive Media Group, said it was easy to see how excited readers were about the self-directed contest, as underscored by the final vote tally.

"Michigan's Best has performed searches for a long time, always concentrating on a type of food, destination, or kind of restaurant. But we didn't have something that cast off the constraints of these narrow categories, allowing for more industries and businesses to participate. Reader's Choice emerged as the answer," she said.

"It was clear early on that our readers were excited about the project. We had just shy of 10,000 nominations across the three regional ballots."

"The amount of excitement from area businesses was impressive! Our team fielded questions, requests, and communications every day of the program."

In each region, every Reader's Choice category had a winner, as well as some top finalists which were all determined by readers' votes.

Some of the winners will be familiar to a lot of our readers. For example, here are the Best Romantic Restaurant Spot winners across each region:

**West Michigan:** Amore Trattoria Italiana

**Northeast Michigan:** The Laundry

**Southeast Michigan:** The Earle Restaurant

Similarly, readers will recognize some of the Best Bar winners as a place they also like to grab a beer or cocktail in their area, as selected by their friends and neighbors who cast their Reader's Choice votes:

**West Michigan:** New Holland Brewing Company

**Northeast Michigan:** Soggy Bottom Bar

**Southeast Michigan:** Erratic Ale Company

The breadth of the contest categories as well as the reader-driven polling features made it fun for people to vote for their favorite places and even their favorite people. For example, the Fitness & Sports category not only invited readers to vote their picks for the best golf course, bike shop and gym, but also the best personal trainer and even outdoor outfitter shop.

"The nature of the ballots - being fully crowd sourced - has generated palpable excitement from our MLive Team. Not only did this give us a chance to hear from our most engaged readers but also to get their real opinions about noteworthy businesses around the state. Particularly now, after a year and a half of feeling confined, the idea of lifting up strong, lasting businesses in Michigan is really rewarding."

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## FITNESS & SPORTS

### BEST ATHLETIC GEAR PROVIDER

#### ★ WINNER

#### DICK'S SPORTING GOODS

Multiple locations  
www.dicksportinggoods.com

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bauman's Running & Walking Shop, [werunthistown.com](http://werunthistown.com)
- Dunham's Sporting Goods, [www.dunhamssports.com](http://www.dunhamssports.com)
- Runners Athletic Company, [www.runnersathleticcompany.com](http://www.runnersathleticcompany.com)

### BEST BIKE SHOP

#### ★ WINNER

#### ASSENMACHER BICYCLE COMPANY

1272 W Hill Rd, Flint, MI 48507  
www.assenmachers.com

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Jack's Bicycle Shop, [www.jacksbikeshop.com](http://www.jacksbikeshop.com)
- Ray's Bike Shop, [www.raysbike.com](http://www.raysbike.com)

### BEST GOLF COURSE

#### ★ WINNER

#### FENTON FARMS GOLF CLUB

12312 Torrey Rd, Fenton, MI 48430  
www.fentonfarms.com

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bier Garten, [biergartenbaycity.com](http://biergartenbaycity.com)
- Vin Trofeo's Pizzeria & Pub, [www.vintrofeos.com](http://www.vintrofeos.com)
- Scottish Inn, [www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn](http://www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn)



#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Apple Mountain, [applemountaingolfresort.com](http://applemountaingolfresort.com)
- Bay Valley Golf Club, [www.bayvalley.com](http://www.bayvalley.com)
- Bucks Run, [bucksrun.com](http://bucksrun.com)
- Twin Oaks Golf Course, [twinoaksgolfclubfreeland.com](http://twinoaksgolfclubfreeland.com)
- Midland Country Club, [www.midlandcc.net](http://www.midlandcc.net)
- Sawmill Golf Club, [thesawmill.com](http://thesawmill.com)

### BEST GYM

#### ★ WINNER

#### PLANET FITNESS

Multiple locations  
www.planetfitness.com

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Ascension Genesys Health Club, [ascensiongenesyshealthclub.com](http://ascensiongenesyshealthclub.com)
- YMCA of Saginaw, [saginawymca.org](http://saginawymca.org)
- Polysthenics, [www.facebook.com/Polysthenics](http://www.facebook.com/Polysthenics)

### BEST OUTDOOR OUTFITTER

#### ★ WINNER

#### NORTHWOODS WHOLESALE OUTLET

229 West 5th Street, Pinconning, MI 48650  
[northwoodsoutlet.com](http://northwoodsoutlet.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Frank's Great Outdoors, [www.franksgreatoutdoors.com](http://www.franksgreatoutdoors.com)
- Dunham's Sporting Goods, [www.dunhamssports.com](http://www.dunhamssports.com)
- Jay's Sporting Goods, [www.jayssportinggoods.com](http://www.jayssportinggoods.com)

### BEST PERSONAL TRAINER

#### ★ WINNER

#### PEGGY SUE BARBER, VET'S PARK

Bay City, MI 48708  
[peggy-sue-barber.square.site](http://peggy-sue-barber.square.site)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Sarah Fechter Fitness, [www.sarahfechter.com](http://www.sarahfechter.com)
- Primary Prevention Physiotherapy, [www.primarypreventionpt.com](http://www.primarypreventionpt.com)
- Jeff Tirrell Fitness Studio, [www.jefftirrellfitness.com](http://www.jefftirrellfitness.com)

### FOOD / DRINK

### BEST BAR

#### ★ WINNER

#### SOGGY BOTTOM BAR

613 M.L. King Avenue, Flint, I 48502  
[sbflint.com](http://sbflint.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- O's Pub & Grill, [ospubandgrill.com](http://ospubandgrill.com)
- The Barn Fenton, [www.thebarnfenton.com](http://www.thebarnfenton.com)
- Barney's Bar, [barneysbar.com/contact](http://barneysbar.com/contact)

### BEST DIVE

#### ★ WINNER

#### THE TORCH

522 Buckham Alley, Flint, MI 49502  
[www.torchbar.com](http://www.torchbar.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bier Garten, [biergartenbaycity.com](http://biergartenbaycity.com)
- Vin Trofeo's Pizzeria & Pub, [www.vintrofeos.com](http://www.vintrofeos.com)
- Scottish Inn, [www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn](http://www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Collier Chiropractic Bay City, [www.painfreebaycity.com](http://www.painfreebaycity.com)
- Walsh Chiropractic & Wellness Center, [www.drmichaeltwalsh.com](http://www.drmichaeltwalsh.com)
- Salzburg Chiropractic, [www.facebook.com/Salzburg-Chiropractic-192415664137818](http://www.facebook.com/Salzburg-Chiropractic-192415664137818)

### BEST DENTIST

#### ★ WINNER

#### JEFFREY T. STRALEY, DDS, PC

113 S. Cherry Street, Flushing, MI 48433  
[www.drstraley.com](http://www.drstraley.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Dr. Debra Chinonis, [www.drchinonis.net](http://www.drchinonis.net)
- Dr. James M. Rachor, DDS, [www.jamesrachordds.com](http://www.jamesrachordds.com)
- Andrew Z Green DDS, [www.azgdds.com](http://www.azgdds.com)

### BEST DERMATOLOGIST

#### ★ WINNER

#### SKIN & VEIN CENTER

Multiple locations  
[www.skinandvein.com](http://www.skinandvein.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Kimball Silverton, DO, [pinnacleskin.com/our-providers/kimball-silverton-do](http://pinnacleskin.com/our-providers/kimball-silverton-do)
- Kevin J. Gaffney M.D. P.C., [www.karlenedermatology.com/kevin-j-gaffney-md](http://www.karlenedermatology.com/kevin-j-gaffney-md)
- Tondue, [tonduemedspa.com](http://tonduemedspa.com)

### BEST FAMILY DOCTOR

#### ★ WINNER

#### LINDA D. NORRELL, M.D.

1515 West Atherton Rd, Flint, MI 49507  
[healthcare.ascension.org](http://healthcare.ascension.org)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Kenneth Steibel, MD, [healthcare.ascension.org](http://healthcare.ascension.org)
- Dr. Deborah L. Duncan, MD, [www.fentonmedical.com](http://www.fentonmedical.com)
- Dr. Tessa Schisler, DO, Bay City
- Dr. Andrew M. Lafleur, MD, [www.covenanthealthcare.com](http://www.covenanthealthcare.com)

### BEST HEARING CENTER

#### ★ WINNER

#### BIERI HEARING

Multiple locations  
[www.bierihearing.com](http://www.bierihearing.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Hear Michigan, [hearmichigan.alpacaaudiology.com](http://hearmichigan.alpacaaudiology.com)
- Bay Area Hearing, [www.bayareahearingservice.com](http://www.bayareahearingservice.com)
- Beltone Skoric Hearing Aid Center, [beltoneskorichearing.com](http://beltoneskorichearing.com)

### BEST ORTHODONTIST

#### ★ WINNER

#### DR. WAX ORTHODONTICS

Multiple locations  
[www.waxortho.com](http://www.waxortho.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Brandon L. LeBourdais Orthodontics, [baycitybraces.com](http://baycitybraces.com)
- Dr. Samuel J. Frydenlund, DDS, [www.drsmorthoman.com](http://www.drsmorthoman.com)
- Wendling Orthodontics, [www.wendlingortho.com](http://www.wendlingortho.com)

### BEST PEDIATRICIAN

#### ★ WINNER

#### POSITIVELY PEDIATRICS

120 North Bridge Street, Ste. D, Linden MI, 48451  
[www.positivelypediatrics.com](http://www.positivelypediatrics.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Children's Medical Group, [www.cmgsagbay.com](http://www.cmgsagbay.com)
- Dr. Jennifer M. Grossman, MD, [www.midmichigan.org](http://www.midmichigan.org)
- Kenneth E Vobach Md, [www.kennethvobach.com](http://www.kennethvobach.com)

### BEST PLASTIC SURGEON

#### ★ WINNER

#### ARNO WEISS, JR., MD

800 Cooper Ave #1, Saginaw, MI 48602  
[plasticsurgeonsaginaw.com/meet-dr-weiss](http://plasticsurgeonsaginaw.com/meet-dr-weiss)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Dr. Julie Sofer - Center for Cosmetic Surgery, P.C., [drsofercosmeticsurgery.com](http://drsofercosmeticsurgery.com)
- Yonick Plastic Surgery, [www.yonickplasticsurgery.com](http://www.yonickplasticsurgery.com)
- Dr. William E. Thompson, MD, [www.hurleymc.com](http://www.hurleymc.com)
- Michael F Milan PC, Auburn Hills

### BEST RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

#### ★ WINNER

#### INDEPENDENCE VILLAGES

Multiple locations  
[www.independencevillages.com](http://www.independencevillages.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Swanhaven Manor Retirement Community, [swanhavenmanor.com](http://swanhavenmanor.com)
- Nexcare Wellbridge Senior Living, [nexcarehealth.com](http://nexcarehealth.com)
- Vicinia Gardens, [viciniagardens.com](http://viciniagardens.com)

### SPA & BEAUTY

### BEST DAY SPA

#### ★ WINNER

#### SERENDIPITY SPA OF LINDEN

129 E Broad St, Linden, MI 48451  
[www.serendipitylinden.com](http://www.serendipitylinden.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Class Act Salon & Day Spa, [m.facebook.com/ClassActDaySpa](http://m.facebook.com/ClassActDaySpa)
- The Avenue Hair Studio & Spa, [www.avenuehss.com](http://www.avenuehss.com)
- Back to Basics Wellness Center, [backtobasics.abmp.com](http://backtobasics.abmp.com)

### BEST EYELASH BAR

#### ★ WINNER

#### BEAUTY AFFAIR

620 Harrison St, Flint, MI 48502

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Lovely Lashes by Dana, [lovelylashesbydana.net](http://lovelylashesbydana.net)
- Wicked Lashes by Saydi, Instagram, [wickedlashes\\_bysaydi](http://wickedlashes_bysaydi)

### BEST FACIAL

#### ★ WINNER

#### REJUV AVE

116 Mill St, Fenton, MI 48430  
[www.rejuvave.com](http://www.rejuvave.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Summerset Salon & Day Spa, [www.summersetsalon.com](http://www.summersetsalon.com)
- Corcova Salt Spa, [www.corcovasaltspa.com](http://www.corcovasaltspa.com)
- Pure Bliss Salon & Spa, [www.pureblissalonspa.com](http://www.pureblissalonspa.com)
- U Spa Salon and More, [www.uspasalonandmore.com](http://www.uspasalonandmore.com)
- The Balance and Beauty Collective, [www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective](http://www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective)

### BEST HAIR SALON

#### ★ WINNER

#### SALON 416

134 N Leroy St #2, Fenton, MI 48430  
[www.salon416.com](http://www.salon416.com)

#### WINNER

#### SAVVY HAIR BOUTIQUE

206 Salzburg Ave, Bay City, MI 48706

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- The Avenue Hair Studio & Spa, [www.avenuehss.com](http://www.avenuehss.com)
- Refinery Hair Co., [www.facebook.com/refineryhairco](http://www.facebook.com/refineryhairco)
- ADORE, [www.facebook.com/studioadore](http://www.facebook.com/studioadore)
- Salon EnVe, [www.salonenvfenton.com](http://www.salonenvfenton.com)

### BEST MAKEUP PROVIDER

#### ★ WINNER

#### SUMMERSSET SALON & DAY SPA

3426 Miller Rd, Flint, MI 48507  
[www.summersetsalon.com](http://www.summersetsalon.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Salon EnVe, [www.salonenvfenton.com](http://www.salonenvfenton.com)
- The Balance and Beauty Collective, [www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective](http://www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective)

### BEST MASSAGE

#### ★ WINNER

#### SERENDIPITY SPA OF LINDEN

129 E Broad St, Linden, MI 48451  
[www.serendipitylinden.com](http://www.serendipitylinden.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Summerset Salon & Day Spa, [www.summersetsalon.com](http://www.summersetsalon.com)
- Fenton Massage Company, [www.fentonmassagecompany.com](http://www.fentonmassagecompany.com)
- Ana Luis Salon & Day Spa, [www.analuisdayspa.com](http://www.analuisdayspa.com)

### BEST MED SPA

#### ★ WINNER

#### TONDUE MEDICAL SPA

715 Washington Ave, Bay City, MI 48708  
[tonduemedspa.com](http://tonduemedspa.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- REJUV AVE, [www.rejuvave.com](http://www.rejuvave.com)
- Skin Renewal Clinic, Flint
- Affinity Day Spa, [www.affinitydayspadavison.com](http://www.affinitydayspadavison.com)

### BEST NAIL SALON

#### ★ WINNER

#### ALLURE SALON

Multiple Locations  
[allurehairco.com](http://allurehairco.com)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Savvy Hair Boutique, Bay City
- The Tropics Salon, Linwood
- Evermore Nails, Bay City

### BEST TANNING / SUNLESS TANNING SALON

#### ★ WINNER

#### TROPI TAN - GRAND BLANC

Multiple locations  
[www.tropitan.biz](http://www.tropitan.biz)

#### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Electric Beach Tanning, [www.facebook.com/ElectricBeachTanningandSalon](http://www.facebook.com/ElectricBeachTanningandSalon)
- The Tropics Salon, Linwood





**HOME & GARDEN**  
**BEST CLEANING COMPANY**  
★ **WINNER**  
**STANLEY STEEMER**  
Multiple locations  
www.stanleysteemer.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Fenton Carpet Cleaning,  
www.fentoncarpetcleaning.com  
• Jake's Carpet Cleaning,  
www.jakescarpetcleaning.com  
• Annie's Carpet Cleaning,  
www.anniescarpetcare.com

**BEST CONTRACTOR**  
★ **WINNER**  
**ABOVE & BEYOND  
CONSTRUCTION TEAM, LLC**  
3358 Bangor Rd, Bay City, MI  
48706  
aandbteam.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Larry Prime Construction, LLC,  
Kawkawlin  
• Asher Hardwood Floors,  
www.asherhardwood.com

**BEST ELECTRICIAN**  
★ **WINNER**  
**B'S ELECTRIC L.L.C**  
4151 Shrestha Dr Suite, Bay City,  
MI 48706  
www.bselectricllc.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Bierlein-Trombley Electric (BTE),  
www.bteelectric.com  
• Walker Electric Inc, www.  
facebook.com/WalkerElectric  
• Blasy Electric, Inc.,  
www.facebook.com/blasyelectric



**BEST GARDEN CENTER**  
★ **WINNER**  
**BEGICK NURSERY & GARDEN  
CENTER**  
5993 West Side Saginaw Rd.,  
Bay City, MI 48706  
www.begicknursery.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Wojo's Garden Splendors,  
www.wojos.com  
• Abele Greenhouse,  
www.abelegreenhouse.com  
• Carlson's Greenhouse,  
carlsonsgreenhouse.com

**BEST HARDWARE / DIY STORE**  
★ **WINNER**  
**VILLAGE ACE** Hardware  
620 W Broad St, Linden, MI  
49451  
www.acehardware.com/store-  
details/15002

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Wohlfeil Ace Hardware,  
www.acehardware.com/store-  
details/00277  
• Ace Hardware,  
www.acehardware.com  
• Gill-Roy's Hardware,  
gill-royshardware.godaddysites.  
com

**BEST HOME BUILDER**  
★ **WINNER**  
**PISTRO BUILDERS**  
5932 Midland Road, Suite 5,  
Freeland, MI 48623  
www.homesbypistro.com

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Patriot Builders of Fenton,  
Fenton  
• Exceptional Homes &  
Design, www.facebook.com/  
ExceptionalHomesandDesign

**BEST HVAC**  
★ **WINNER**  
**GOYETTE MECHANICAL**  
406 S Center Rd, Flint, MI 48506  
goyetteservice.com

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Haertel Heating and Cooling,  
haertelheating.com  
• Gledhill Heating and Cooling,  
www.gledhillheatingandcooling.  
com  
• Dave Lamb Heating & AC Inc,  
davelambheating.com

**BEST LANDSCAPING COMPANY**  
★ **WINNER**  
**BEGICK NURSERY & GARDEN  
CENTER**  
5993 West Side Saginaw Rd.,  
Bay City, MI 48706  
www.begicknursery.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Reder Landscaping,  
www.rederlandscaping.com  
• Village Landscape Development  
LLC, villagelandscape.net  
• Ace Outdoor Services LLC,  
aceoutdoorservices.com

**BEST PAINTER**  
★ **WINNER**  
**CREATIVE DECOR STUDIO AND  
PAINTING**  
2688 Klam Rd, Lapeer, MI  
48446  
creative-decor-studio.business.  
site

**BEST PLUMBER**  
★ **WINNER**  
**STEVE DRZEWICKI**  
(Drzewicki Appliance Service)  
(989) 893-2830  
1102 26th St, Bay City, MI  
48708  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• A & B Plumbing, Heating & A/C,  
Inc., abplumbingheatingcooling.  
com  
• Doug's Plumbing, Heating &  
Cooling, plumbingbaycitymi.com  
• Terry Allen Plumbing & Heating,  
www.terryallenco.com

**BEST ROOFER**  
★ **WINNER**  
**KAWKAWLIN ROOFING CO**  
2924 Old Kawkawlin Rd.,  
Kawkawlin, MI 48631  
www.kawkawlinroofing.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Vondette Roofing,  
vondetteroofingmi.com  
• Lockhart Roofing,  
lockhartroofing.com  
• Weather Vane Roofing,  
www.weathervaneroofing.com

**PETS**  
**BEST DAYCARE / BOARDING FACILITY**  
★ **WINNER**  
**WOODLAND PET RESORT**  
5123 Hospital Rd., Saginaw, MI  
48603  
www.woodlandpetresort.com  
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• The Four Paws Hotel & Day  
Resort, thefourpawshotel.com  
• Howl-A-Day Resort,  
www.howl-a-dayresort.com  
• Furlough Dog Day Care,  
thefurlough.com

**BEST GROOMER**  
★ **WINNER**  
**REBECCA SNYDER'S  
GROOMING**  
1113 Marquette Avenue, Bay  
City, MI  
rebeccaspetgrooming.com/v2/

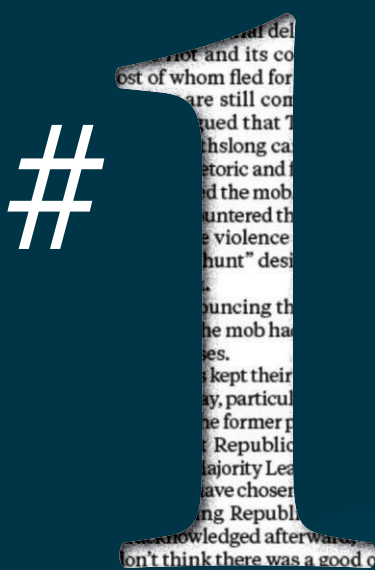
**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Sudzy Puppy Pet Grooming,  
sudzypuppy.com/services  
• Fenton Bark, fentonbark.  
myonlineappointment.com  
• Pretty Pooch, www.facebook.  
com/prettypoochpuppylove

**BEST PET STORE**  
★ **WINNER**  
**SOLDAN'S PET SUPPLIES**  
Multiple locations  
soldanspet.com

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Pet Supplies Plus - Bay City, MI,  
www.petsuppliesplus.com  
• Magoos, magoospet.com  
• Pet Supplies Plus - Saginaw, MI,  
www.petsuppliesplus.com

**BEST VET**  
★ **WINNER**  
**BAY VALLEY ANIMAL HOSPITAL**  
6015 Westside Saginaw Road,  
Bay City, MI 48706  
www.bayvalleyvet.com

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Animal Alley Veterinary Hospital,  
www.animalalleyvet.com  
• Fenton Veterinary Clinic LLC,  
fentonvetclinic.com  
• West Flint Animal Hospital,  
www.westflintanimalhospital.com  
• Riverside Animal Clinic,  
www.riversideanimalclinicmi.com



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#### TRAVEL & LEISURE

##### BEST ANIMAL ENCOUNTER

###### ★ WINNER

###### SAGINAW CHILDREN'S ZOO

1730 S. Washington Ave.,  
Saginaw, MI 48601  
[www.saginawzoo.com](http://www.saginawzoo.com)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Supe's Exotic Jungle,  
[www.supesej.com](http://www.supesej.com)

##### BEST ART GALLERY

###### ★ WINNER

###### LINT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

1120 E Kearsley St, Flint, MI  
48503  
[www.flintarts.org](http://www.flintarts.org)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Studio 23/The Arts Center,  
[www.studio23baycity.org](http://www.studio23baycity.org)
- Saginaw Art Museum, [www.saginawartmuseum.org](http://www.saginawartmuseum.org)

##### BEST CAMPGROUND

###### ★ WINNER

###### SOUTH HIGGINS LAKE STATE PARK

106 State Park Dr, Roscommon,  
MI 48653  
[www.dnr.state.mi.us/  
parksandtrails](http://www.dnr.state.mi.us/parksandtrails)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Caseville County Park,  
[huroncountyparks.com/caseville-  
county-park](http://huroncountyparks.com/caseville-county-park)
- Genesee County Parks & Rec,  
[geneseecountyparks.org](http://geneseecountyparks.org)

##### BEST CASINO / GAMING

###### ★ WINNER

###### SOARING EAGLE CASINO

6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd, Mt  
Pleasant, MI 48858  
[www.soaringeaglecasino.com](http://www.soaringeaglecasino.com)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Saganing Casino, [www.saganing-eagleslanding.com](http://www.saganing-eagleslanding.com)

##### BEST FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT VENUE

###### ★ WINNER

###### SLOAN MUSEUM

4190 E Court St, Flint, MI 48509  
[sloanlongway.org/about-sloan](http://sloanlongway.org/about-sloan)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bavarian Inn Lodge,  
[www.bavarianinn.com](http://www.bavarianinn.com)
- Flint Childrens Museum,  
[flintchildrensmuseum.org](http://flintchildrensmuseum.org)
- Stardust Entertainment Center,  
[www.stardustfun.com](http://www.stardustfun.com)
- Saginaw Childrens Museum,  
[michildrensmuseum.org](http://michildrensmuseum.org)

##### BEST LIVE MUSIC VENUE

###### ★ WINNER

###### DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

33 Bob Seger Dr, Village of  
Clarkston, MI 48348  
[www.313presents.com/venues-  
events/dte-energy-music-theatre](http://www.313presents.com/venues-<br/>events/dte-energy-music-theatre)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bay City Bandshell,  
[www.baycitymi.org](http://www.baycitymi.org)
- The Machine Shop Concert  
Lounge, [themachineshop.info](http://themachineshop.info)
- The Capitol Theatre,  
[www.capitoltheatreflint.com](http://www.capitoltheatreflint.com)

##### BEST MARINA

###### ★ WINNER

###### SKIPPERBUD'S LAKE

Fenton  
14016 Fenton Rd, Fenton, MI  
48430  
[www.skipperbuds.com](http://www.skipperbuds.com)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bay Harbor Marina,  
[bayharborbaycity.com](http://bayharborbaycity.com)
- Linwood Beach Marina &  
Campgrounds. New and Used  
Boat Dealership,  
[www.linwoodbeachmarina.com](http://www.linwoodbeachmarina.com)
- Port Austin State Harbor,  
[www.dnr.state.mi.us](http://www.dnr.state.mi.us)
- Wheeler Landing Yacht Harbor,  
[www.wheelerlanding.com](http://www.wheelerlanding.com)

##### BEST NATURE PARK / HIKING SITE

###### ★ WINNER

###### BAY CITY STATE PARK

3582 State Park Dr, Bay City, MI  
48706, [www.dnr.state.mi.us](http://www.dnr.state.mi.us)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Dow Gardens, [dowgardens.org](http://dowgardens.org)
- Seven Lakes State Park, [www.dnr.state.mi.us/parksandtrails](http://www.dnr.state.mi.us/parksandtrails)
- Genesee County Parks & Rec,  
[geneseecountyparks.org](http://geneseecountyparks.org)



#### HONORABLE MENTIONS

##### BEST WINERY

Our readers nominated many amazing Michigan wineries in the Best Winery category, including those outside the ballot's given geographic coverage area. We wanted to honor those nominations too:

• CHATEAU CHANTAL WINERY AND INN,  
[www.chateauchantal.com](http://www.chateauchantal.com)

• ST. JULIAN WINERY,  
[www.stjulian.com](http://www.stjulian.com)

##### BEST OUTDOOR CONCERT VENUE

###### ★ WINNER

###### DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

33 Bob Seger Dr, Village of  
Clarkston, MI 48348  
[www.313presents.com/venues-  
events/dte-energy-music-theatre](http://www.313presents.com/venues-<br/>events/dte-energy-music-theatre)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort,  
[www.soaringeaglecasino.com](http://www.soaringeaglecasino.com)
- Atwood Stadium,  
[www.kettering.edu](http://www.kettering.edu)
- Huntington Event Park,  
[doweventcenter.com](http://doweventcenter.com)

##### BEST OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

###### ★ WINNER

###### BAVARIAN INN LODGE

1 Covered Bridge Ln,  
Frankenmuth, MI 48734  
[www.bavarianinn.com](http://www.bavarianinn.com)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Bay  
City – Riverfront, [www.hilton.com](http://www.hilton.com)
- Riverwalk Place Gladwin,  
[www.riverwalkplace.net](http://www.riverwalkplace.net)
- H Hotel Midland,  
[www.thehotel.com](http://www.thehotel.com)

##### BEST WINERY

###### ★ WINNER

###### FENTON WINERY & BREWERY

1370 N Long Lake Rd, Fenton,  
MI 48430  
[fentonbrewery.com](http://fentonbrewery.com)

##### FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bayne's Apple Valley,  
[www.baynesapplevalley.com](http://www.baynesapplevalley.com)



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#### VEHICLES

##### BEST BOAT DEALER

★ **WINNER**  
**BAY OUTBOARD MARINE**  
5230 Bay Rd, Saginaw, MI 48604  
[www.bayoutboardmarine.com](http://www.bayoutboardmarine.com)

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• SkipperBud's Lake Fenton, [www.skipperbuds.com](http://www.skipperbuds.com)  
• Decks N' Docks Marine, [www.decksndocksmarine.com](http://www.decksndocksmarine.com)

##### BEST MECHANIC

★ **WINNER**  
**STROEBEL AUTOMOTIVE**  
7660 Gratiot Rd, Saginaw, MI 48609  
[stroebelautomotive.com](http://stroebelautomotive.com)

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• AutoLab of Fenton, [www.autolabfenton.com](http://www.autolabfenton.com)  
• Chris Automotive, [www.chrisautorepairfenton.com](http://www.chrisautorepairfenton.com)  
• Debo's Auto Body & Repair, [debos-auto-body-repair.edan.io](http://debos-auto-body-repair.edan.io)  
• Dewey's Auto Center Inc, [www.deweysauto.com](http://www.deweysauto.com)  
• Totten Tire Auto Center Northwest, [tottentiresaginaw.com](http://tottentiresaginaw.com)  
• Astro Service Center – Saginaw, [astroservicecenter.com](http://astroservicecenter.com)

##### BEST NEW CAR DEALER

★ **WINNER**  
**RANDY WISE AUTOMALL**  
4350 Lennon Rd, Flint, MI 48507  
[www.randywisehyundai.com](http://www.randywisehyundai.com)



**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Al Serra Auto Plaza, [www.alserra.com](http://www.alserra.com)  
• Serra Chevrolet Saginaw, [www.serrachevroletsaginaw.com](http://www.serrachevroletsaginaw.com)  
• Burt Watson Chevrolet, [www.burtwatson.com](http://www.burtwatson.com)  
• Simms Chevrolet Co, [www.simmschevrolet.com](http://www.simmschevrolet.com)  
• Vic Canever Chevrolet, Inc., [www.viccaneverchevy.com](http://www.viccaneverchevy.com)

##### BEST RV DEALER

★ **WINNER**  
**TRI CITY RV**  
4501 Wilder Rd, Bay City, MI 48706  
[tricityrv.com](http://tricityrv.com)

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Hamilton's RV, [www.hamiltonsrv.com](http://www.hamiltonsrv.com)  
• General RV Center, [www.generalrv.com/rv-dealer/birch-run-michigan](http://www.generalrv.com/rv-dealer/birch-run-michigan)  
• Home & Park RV Services, [www.homeandparkrv.com](http://www.homeandparkrv.com)

##### BEST USED CAR DEALER

★ **WINNER**  
**AL SERRA AUTO PLAZA**  
6167 Saginaw Rd, Grand Blanc, MI 48439  
[www.alserra.com](http://www.alserra.com)

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Garber Bay Road, [www.garberchryslerdodge-ramjeep.com](http://www.garberchryslerdodge-ramjeep.com)  
• Randy Wise Ford Inc., [www.randywiseford.net](http://www.randywiseford.net)  
• Applegate Chevrolet Company, [www.applegatechev.com](http://www.applegatechev.com)



##### BEST VEHICLE DETAILER

★ **WINNER**  
**BIG PAPI'S DETAILING**  
[www.facebook.com/bigpapisdetailing](http://www.facebook.com/bigpapisdetailing)

**FINALISTS** (in no particular order)  
• Gary's Auto Body Shop, [garysautobody.com](http://garysautobody.com)  
• HMC Detailing - Ceramic Pro Fenton, [www.hmcdetailing.com](http://www.hmcdetailing.com)  
• Szott Automotive, [www.szottm59chryslerjeep.com](http://www.szottm59chryslerjeep.com)  
• American Autoworks Inc., [www.americanautoworksburton.com](http://www.americanautoworksburton.com)



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