



READER'S CHOICE WINNERS



MLIVE'S MICHIGAN'S BEST READER'S CHOICE

Nearly 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.

TANDA GMITER | mlive.com

"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

LIVE. WORK. SHOP. PLAY.

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."

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, www.werunthistown.com
- Dunham's Sporting Goods, www.dunhamssports.com
- Runners Athletic Company, 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
- Ray's Bike Shop, 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
- Vin Trofeo's Pizzeria & Pub, www.vintrofeos.com
- Scottish Inn, www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn



FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Apple Mountain, applemountaingolfresort.com
- Bay Valley Golf Club, www.bayvalley.com
- Bucks Run, bucksrun.com
- Twin Oaks Golf Course, twinoaksgolfclubfreeland.com
- Midland Country Club, www.midlandcc.net
- Sawmill Golf Club, thesawmill.com

BEST GYM

★ WINNER

PLANET FITNESS

Multiple locations
www.planetfitness.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Ascension Genesys Health Club, ascensiongenesyshealthclub.com
- YMCA of Saginaw, saginawymca.org
- Polysthenics, www.facebook.com/Polysthenics

BEST OUTDOOR OUTFITTER

★ WINNER

NORTHWOODS WHOLESALE OUTLET

229 West 5th Street, Pinconning, MI 48650
northwoodsoutlet.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Frank's Great Outdoors, www.franksgreatoutdoors.com
- Dunham's Sporting Goods, www.dunhamssports.com
- Jay's Sporting Goods, www.jaysportinggoods.com

BEST PERSONAL TRAINER

★ WINNER

PEGGY SUE BARBER, VET'S PARK

Bay City, MI 48708
peggy-sue-barber.square.site

FOOD & DRINK

BEST BAR

★ WINNER

SOGGY BOTTOM BAR

613 M.L. King Avenue, Flint, MI 48502
sbflint.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- O's Pub & Grill, ospubandgrill.com
- The Barn Fenton, www.thebarnfenton.com
- Barney's Bar, barneysbar.com/contact

BEST DIVE

★ WINNER

THE TORCH

522 Buckham Alley, Flint, MI 49502
www.torchbar.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bier Garten, biergartenbaycity.com
- Vin Trofeo's Pizzeria & Pub, www.vintrofeos.com
- Scottish Inn, www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn

BEST DENTIST

★ WINNER

JEFFREY T. STRALEY, DDS, PC

113 S. Cherry Street, Flushing, MI 48433
www.drstraley.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Bier Garten, biergartenbaycity.com
- Vin Trofeo's Pizzeria & Pub, www.vintrofeos.com
- Scottish Inn, www.facebook.com/TheScottishInn

BEST DERMATOLOGIST

★ WINNER

SKIN & VEIN CENTER

Multiple locations
www.skinandvein.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Kimball Silverton, DO, pinnacleskin.com/our-providers/kimball-silverton-do
- Kevin J. Gaffney M.D., PC, www.karlendermatology.com/kevin-j-gaffney-md
- Tondue, tduemedspa.com

BEST FAMILY DOCTOR

★ WINNER

LINDA D. NORRELL, M.D.

1515 West Atherton Rd, Flint, MI 49507
healthcare.ascension.org

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Kenneth Steibel, MD, healthcare.ascension.org
- Dr. Deborah L. Duncan, MD, www.fentonmedical.com
- Dr. Tessa Schisler, DO, Bay City
• Dr. Andrew M. Lafleur, MD, www.covenanthealthcare.com

BEST HEARING CENTER

★ WINNER

BIERI HEARING

Multiple locations
www.bierhearing.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Hear Michigan, hearmichigan.alpacaaudiology.com
- Bay Area Hearing, www.bayareahearingservice.com
- Beltone Skoric Hearing Aid Center, beltoneskorichearing.com

BEST TAKE-OUT

★ WINNER

G'S PIZZERIA & DELI

Multiple locations
gpsizzeria.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Calabria Village, calabriavillagepizza.com
- Barney's BakeHouse Bakery, barneysbakehouse.com
- Halo Burger, www.haloburger.com
- Fralia's, www.fralias.com

BEST ORTHODONTIST

★ WINNER

DR. WAX ORTHODONTICS

Multiple locations
www.waxortho.com

HEALTH & WELLNESS

BEST ASSISTED LIVING

★ WINNER

BAY CITY COMFORT CARE

Multiple locations
comfortcaresl.com/communities/mi/bay-city/bay-city-comfort-care

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Vicinia Gardens, viciniagardens.com
- Argentine Care Center, argentinecarecenter.com
- Brookdale Saginaw, www.brookdale.com/en/communities/brookdale-saginaw.html
- Nexcare Wellbridge Senior Living, nexcarehealth.com

BEST CHIROPRACTOR

★ WINNER

ADVANCED CARE CHIROPRACTIC

1016 N. Saginaw Ste A, holly, MI 48442, drjasonwhite.com



FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Collier Chiropractic Bay City, www.painfreebaycity.com
- Walsh Chiropractic & Wellness Center, www.drmmichaelwalsh.com
- Salzburg Chiropractic, www.facebook.com/Salzburg-Chiropractic-192415664137818

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113 S. Cherry Street, Flushing, MI 48433
www.drstraley.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Dr. Debra Chionis, www.drchionis.net
- Dr. James M. Rachor, DDS, www.jamesrachordds.com
- Andrew Z Green DDS, www.azgdds.com

BEST PLASTIC SURGEON

★ WINNER

ARNO WEISS, JR., MD

800 Cooper Ave #1, Saginaw, MI 48602
plasticsurgeonsaginaw.com/meet-dr-weiss

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Dr. Jennifer M. Grossman, MD, www.midmichigan.org
- Kenneth E Vobach Md, www.kennethvobach.com

BEST RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

★ WINNER

INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE

Multiple locations
www.independencevillages.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Swanhaven Manor Retirement Community, swanhavenmanor.com
- Nexcare Wellbridge Senior Living, nexcarehealth.com
- Vicinia Gardens, viciniagardens.com

SPA & BEAUTY

BEST DAY SPA

★ WINNER

SERENDIPITY SPA OF LINDEN

129 E Broad St, Linden, MI 48451
www.serendipitylinden.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- The Avenue Hair Studio & Spa, www.avenuehss.com
- Refinery Hair Co., www.facebook.com/refineryhairco
- ADORE, www.facebook.com/studioadore
- Salon EnVe, www.salonenvfenton.com

BEST MAKEUP PROVIDER

★ WINNER

SUMMERSSET SALON & DAY SPA

3426 Miller Rd, Flint, MI 48507
www.summersetsalon.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- The Avenue Hair Studio & Spa, www.avenuehss.com
- Refinery Hair Co., www.facebook.com/refineryhairco
- ADORE, www.facebook.com/studioadore
- Salon EnVe, www.salonenvfenton.com

BEST HAIR SALON

★ WINNER

SALON 416

134 N Leroy St #2, Fenton, MI 48430
www.salon416.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Corcova Salt Spa, www.corcovasaltspa.com
- Pure Bliss Salon & Spa, www.pureblissalonspa.com
- U Spa Salon and More, www.uspasalonandmore.com
- The Balance and Beauty Collective, www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective

BEST FACIAL

★ WINNER

REJUV AVE

116 Mill St, Fenton, MI 48430
www.rejuvave.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- Fenton Massage Company, www.fentonmassagecompany.com
- Ana Luis Salon & Day Spa, www.analuisdayspa.com

BEST MASSAGE

★ WINNER

SERENDIPITY SPA OF LINDEN

129 E Broad St, Linden, MI 48451
www.serendipitylinden.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

- SummerSet Salon & Day Spa, www.summersetsalon.com
- Corcova Salt Spa, www.corcovasaltspa.com
- Pure Bliss Salon & Spa, www.pureblissalonspa.com
- U Spa Salon and More, www.uspasalonandmore.com
- The Balance and Beauty Collective, www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective

BEST EYELASH BAR

★ WINNER

BEAUTY AFFAIR

620 Harrison St, Flint, MI 48502
www.beautyaffair.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)

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

- Salon EnVe, www.salonenvfenton.com
- The Balance and Beauty Collective, www.facebook.com/balanceandbeautycollective
- Walker Electric Inc, www.facebook.com/WalkerElectric
- Blasy Electric, Inc., www.facebook.com/blasyelectric

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, www.larryprimeconstruction.com
- Asher Hardwood Floors, www.asherhardwood.com

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, www.carlsonsgreenhouse.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 PAINTER

★ WINNER

CREATIVE DECOR STUDIO AND PAINTING

2688 Klam Rd, Lapeer, MI 48446
creative-decor-studio.business.site

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,

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

BEST ACCOUNTANT / CPA FIRM
★ WINNER
WEINLANDER FITZHUGH CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS & CONSULTANTS
 1600 Center Ave., Bay City, MI 48708, www.wf-cpas.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Thomas G Falasz Income Tax Services, falasz.com
 • Zehnder & Associates, www.zehnderassociates.com
 • Bradley M. Simon, P.C. - Certified Public Accountants, bradleysimoncpa.com

BEST BANK
★ WINNER
THE STATE BANK
 Multiple locations
 thestatebank.com



FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Huntington Bank, www.huntington.com
 • Independent Bank, www.independentbank.com
 • 1st State Bank, www.1ststate.bank
 • Fifth Third Bank, www.53.com

BEST CATERER
★ WINNER
CRUST - A BAKING COMPANY
 104 W. Caroline at River St, Fenton, Michigan 48430
 crustandbeyond.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Norm's Market & Catering, www.facebook.com/NORMSMARKETRICHVILLE
 • Ducee's Char House, www.duceescharhouse.com
 • Sherry's Catering, sherryscatering.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • arm Bureau Insurance, www.farmbureauinsurance-mi.com
 • Peabody Insurance Agency, www.peabodyinc.com
 • Hallmark Insurance Agency, hallmarkmichigan.com

BEST CREDIT UNION

★ WINNER
FINANCIAL PLUS CREDIT UNION
 Multiple locations
 www.myfpcu.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Wildfire Credit Union, www.wildfirecu.org
 • Frankennuth Credit Union, frankennuthcu.org
 • ELGA Credit Union Burton, www.elgacu.com

BEST FINANCIAL ADVISOR

★ WINNER
FOGUTH FINANCIAL
 Multiple locations
 foguthfinancial.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • The State Bank, thestatebank.com
 • Blackmore Rowe Insurance, www.blackmorerowe.com
 • Independent Bank, www.independentbank.com

BEST PHOTOGRAPHER

★ WINNER
LUCE PHOTOGRAPHY
 1308 Columbus Ave, Ste 100, Bay City, MI 48708
 lucephotography.studio
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Photos by Amy Thompson, amythompsonphotography.com
 • blacksheepchic photography, blacksheepchicphotography.com
 • Jenny Lane Studios, jennylanestudios.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Century 21 Signature, century21signature.com
 • Team Make It Happen, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices - Bay City, teammakeithappen.com
 • bhsmichiganrealestate.com
 • The Mark G Group, www.markghomes.com

BEST INSURANCE AGENCY

★ WINNER - BLACKMORE ROWE INSURANCE
 G-6235 Corunna Road, Ste H, Flint, MI 48532
 www.blackmorerowe.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • arm Bureau Insurance, www.farmbureauinsurance-mi.com
 • Peabody Insurance Agency, www.peabodyinc.com
 • Hallmark Insurance Agency, hallmarkmichigan.com

BEST SPECIAL EVENT VENUE
★ WINNER
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL BAY CITY - RIVERFRONT
 1 Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, MI 48708
 www.hilton.com

BEST LAWYER

★ WINNER
GARSK HEWITT PLC
 708 S Euclid Ave, Bay City, MI 48706
 garskehwitt.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Simen, Figura & Parker P.L.C., sfpawl.com
 • The Law Office of Carol M. Thomas, attorneycarolthomas.com
 • Law Offices of Heather V Burnash, PLLC, attorneyheatherburnash.com

BEST MORTGAGE COMPANY

★ WINNER
THE STATE BANK
 Multiple locations
 thestatebank.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Financial Plus Credit Union, www.myfpcu.com
 • Independent Bank, www.independentbank.com
 • ELGA Credit Union Grand Blanc, www.elgacu.com/bank/locations

BEST REALTOR

★ WINNER
JENNIFER TREMAINE, REALTOR
 512 E. Grand Blanc Road Grand Blanc, MI 48439
 jennifertremaine.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Century 21 Signature, century21signature.com
 • Team Make It Happen, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices - Bay City, teammakeithappen.com
 • bhsmichiganrealestate.com
 • The Mark G Group, www.markghomes.com

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 • Team Make It Happen, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices - Bay City, teammakeithappen.com
 • bhsmichiganrealestate.com
 • The Mark G Group, www.markghomes.com

BEST SPECIAL EVENT VENUE
★ WINNER
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL BAY CITY - RIVERFRONT
 1 Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, MI 48708
 www.hilton.com



FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Fenton Winery & Brewery, fentonbrewery.com
 • Horizons Center, www.horizonscenter.com
 • The Captain's Club at Woodfield, captainclubatwoodfield.com

RETAIL

BEST APPLIANCE STORE
★ WINNER
MILLAR'S APPLIANCE
 721 N. Euclid Ave., Bay City, MI 48706
 www.millersappliance.com



FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • ABC Warehouse, www.abcwarehouse.com
 • Maytag Store, www.themaytagstoreusa.com

BEST BEAUTY / MAKEUP STORE
★ WINNER
ULTA BEAUTY
 Multiple locations
 www.ulta.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Sally Beauty, www.sallybeauty.com
 • REJUV AVE, www.rejuvave.com

BEST HOME FURNISHINGS
★ WINNER
PRIME BROTHERS FURNITURE
 1500 Euclid Ave., Bay City, MI 49706
 www.primebrothers.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Fenton Home Furnishings, www.fentonhomefurnishings.com
 • Art Sample, www.artsample.com
 • Skaff Furniture, www.skaff.com

BEST BOUTIQUE
★ WINNER
MY SECRET GARDEN
 600 S. Saginaw Street, Bay City, MI
 www.mysecretgarden.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Rebel Co.shoprebel.co/
 • Kiki Bee Boutique, kikibeeboutique.com
 • Curly's Candle Company, www.facebook.com/CurlysCandleCompany
 • Glam Box Boutique, www.facebook.com/shopglamnow

BEST FARMERS MARKET
★ WINNER
FLINT FARMERS MARKET
 300 East First St, Flint, MI 49502
 www.flintfarmersmarket.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Midland Area Farmers Market, midami.org/farmersmarket
 • Jack's Fruit & Meat Markets, jacksmarket.net
 • Fenton Farmer's Market, Fenton

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Midland Area Farmers Market, midami.org/farmersmarket
 • Jack's Fruit & Meat Markets, jacksmarket.net
 • Fenton Farmer's Market, Fenton

BEST GROCERY STORE

★ WINNER
ALPINE MARKETPLACE
 604 W Broad St, Linden, MI 48451
 www.alpinemarketplace.com/shop/home
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Aldi, www.aldi.us
 • Jack's Fruit & Meat Market, jacksmarket.net
 • Colony Quality Meats, Grand Blanc, MI, www.colonyqualitymeats.com
 • Meijer, www.meijer.com

BEST MEN'S FASHION

★ WINNER
BRIDGE STREET EXCHANGE
 104 S Leroy St, Fenton, MI 48430
 bridgestreetexchange.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Edwards Men's Shop, www.facebook.com/EdwardsMensShop
 • Craig Ryan Fine Clothing, craigryan.com

BEST WOMEN'S FASHION

★ WINNER
ELECTIONS
 495 Fenway Dr, Fenton, MI 48430
 electionsboutique.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Believe Inspire Beauty Boutique, www.believeinspirebeauty.com
 • My Secret Garden, www.mysecretgarden.com
 • Kohl's, www.kohls.com

BEST JEWELRY STORE

★ WINNER
HERMAN HISS
 905 Washington Ave. Bay City, 48708
 hermanhiss.net
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Gaines Jewelry, www.gainesejewelry.com
 • Sawyer Jewelers, sawyerjewelers.com
 • Medawar Jewelers Fenton, www.medawars.com

BEST SHOPPING CENTER / DISTRICT

★ WINNER
BIRCH RUN Premium Outlets
 12240 S Beyer Rd, Birch Run, MI 48415
 www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/birch-run
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Downtown Bay City, www.downtownbaycity.com
 • Frankenmuth River Place Shops, frankenmuthriverplace.com
 • Uptown Bay City MI 48708, uptownbaycity.com

BEST KID'S FASHION

★ WINNER
TARGET
 Multiple locations
 www.target.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Kohl's, www.kohls.com
 • JCPenney, www.jcpenney.com

**TRAVEL & LEISURE****BEST ANIMAL ENCOUNTER**

★ WINNER
SAGINAW CHILDREN'S ZOO
 1730 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, MI 48601
 www.saginawzoo.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Supe's Exotic Jungle, www.supesej.com

BEST ART GALLERY

★ WINNER
LINT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
 1120 E Kearsley St, Flint, MI 48503
 www.flintarts.org
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Studio 23/The Arts Center, www.studio23baycity.org
 • Saginaw Art Museum, www.saginawartmuseum.org

BEST CASINO / GAMING**★ WINNER****OARING EAGLE CASINO**

6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd, Mt Pleasant, MI 48858
 www.soaringeaglecasino.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Saganing Casino, www.saganing-eaglesstanding.com

BEST FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT VENUE**★ WINNER****SLOAN MUSEUM**

4190 E Court St, Flint, MI 48509
 sloanlongway.org/about-sloan
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Bavarian Inn Lodge, www.bavarianinn.com
 • Flint Childrens Museum, flintchildrensmuseum.org
 • Stardust Entertainment Center, www.stardustfun.com
 • Saginaw Childrens Museum, michildrensmuseum.org

BEST CASINO / GAMING**★ WINNER****OARING EAGLE CASINO**

6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd, Mt Pleasant, MI 48858
 www.soaringeaglecasino.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Saganing Casino, www.saganing-eaglesstanding.com

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 sloanlongway.org/about-sloan
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Bavarian Inn Lodge, www.bavarianinn.com
 • Flint Childrens Museum, flintchildrensmuseum.org
 • Stardust Entertainment Center, www.stardustfun.com
 • Saginaw Childrens Museum, michildrensmuseum.org

BEST SHOPPING CENTER / DISTRICT**★ WINNER****BIRCH RUN**

Premium Outlets
 12240 S Beyer Rd, Birch Run, MI 48415
 www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/birch-run
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Downtown Bay City, www.downtownbaycity.com
 • Frankenmuth River Place Shops, frankenmuthriverplace.com
 • Uptown Bay City MI 48708, uptownbaycity.com

BEST KID'S FASHION**★ WINNER****TARGET**

Multiple locations
 www.target.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Kohl's, www.kohls.com
 • JCPenney, www.jcpenney.com

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
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Bay City Bandshell, www.baycitymi.org
 • The Machine Shop Concert Lounge, themachineshop.info
 • The Capitol Theatre, www.capitoltheatreflint.com

BEST MARINA

★ WINNER
SKIPPERBUD'S LAKE Fenton
 14016 Fenton Rd, Fenton, MI 48430
 www.skipperbuds.com
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Bay Harbor Marina, bayharborbaycity.com
 • Linwood Beach Marina & Campgrounds, New and Used Boat Dealership, www.linwoodbeachmarina.com
 • Port Austin State Harbor, www.dnr.state.mi.us/huroncountyparks.com/caseville-county-park
 • Genesee County Parks & Rec, geneseecountyparks.org

BEST NATURE PARK / HIKING SITE**★ WINNER****BAY CITY STATE PARK**

3582 State Park Dr, Bay City, MI 48706, www.dnr.state.mi.us
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Dow Gardens, dowgardens.org
 • Seven Lakes State Park, www.dnr.state.mi.us/parksandtrails
 • Genesee County Parks & Rec, geneseecountyparks.org

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
FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort, www.soaringeaglecasino.com
 • Atwood Stadium, www.kettering.edu
 • Huntington Event Park, doveventcenter.com

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www.bayoutboardmarine.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • SkipperBud's Lake Fenton, www.skipperbuds.com
 • Decks N' Docks Marine, www.decksndocksmarine.com

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 7660 Gratiot Rd, Saginaw, MI 48609
stroebelautomotive.com

FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • AutoLab of Fenton, www.autolabfenton.com
 • Chris Automotive, www.chrisautorepairfenton.com
 • Debo's Auto Body & Repair, debos-auto-body-repair.edan.io
 • Dewey's Auto Center Inc, www.deweysauto.com
 • Totten Tire Auto Center Northwest, tottentiresaginaw.com
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RANDY WISE AUTOMALL
 4350 Lennon Rd, Flint, MI 48507
www.randywisehyundai.com



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 • Al Serra Auto Plaza, www.alserra.com
 • Serra Chevrolet Saginaw, www.serrachevroletsaginaw.com
 • Burt Watson Chevrolet, www.burtwatson.com
 • Simms Chevrolet Co, www.simmschevrolet.com
 • Vic Canever Chevrolet, Inc., www.viccaneverchevy.com

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TRI CITY RV
 4501 Wilder Rd, Bay City, MI 48706
tricityrv.com

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

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AL SERRA AUTO PLAZA
 6167 Saginaw Rd, Grand Blanc, MI 48439
www.alserra.com

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



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FINALISTS (in no particular order)
 • Gary's Auto Body Shop, garysautobody.com
 • HMC Detailing - Ceramic Pro Fenton, www.hmcdetailing.com
 • Szott Automotive, www.szottm59chryslerjeep.com
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