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Brian Robertson: Excellence in Television

Brian Robertson, news photographer with KGW-TV since 1985, says he likes telling stories that don't normally get heard.

"Our job is to make people aware of things they may not have experiences with," he said.

That philosophy led Robertson and news anchor Laural Porter to an award from the National Lesbian & Gay Journalists Association this month.

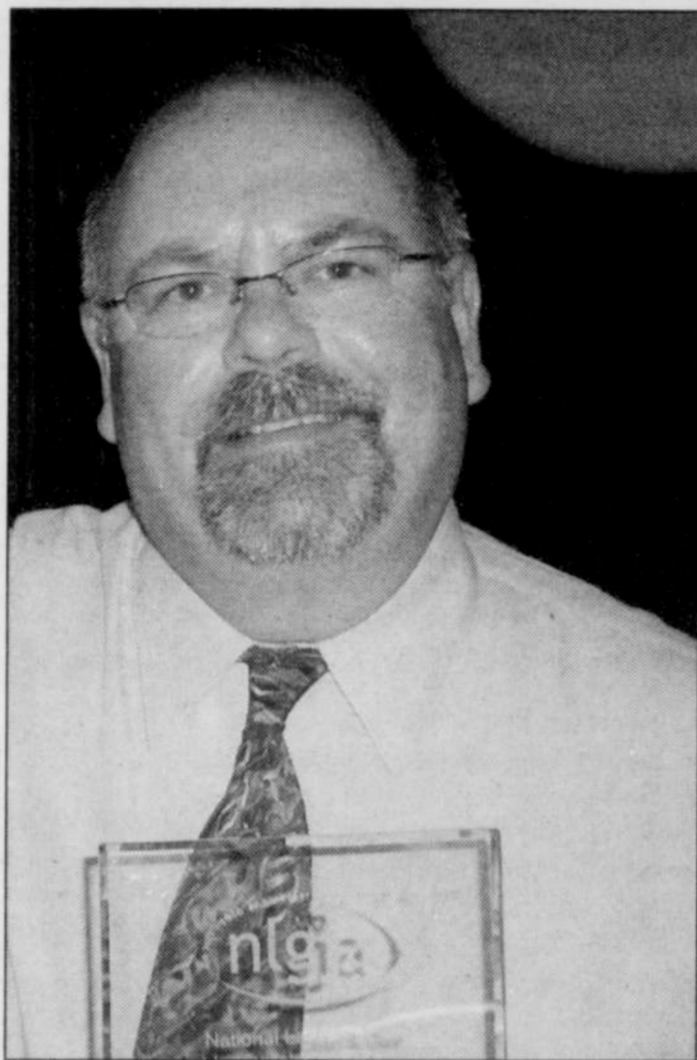
Robertson recorded, edited and co-produced a segment called "Finding Donna" about a Portland woman's struggle with gender identity. Donna Ross, a former Winter Hawks hockey announcer, was born Ron. She recently returned from Thailand, where she underwent sex reassignment surgery.

Robertson credits Ross with the first-place statue for Excellence in Television, which came with a \$500 prize.

"I think it was Donna, the fact that she was very open and frank about who she was and the transition and how much happier she is now," he said. "All we were was kind of a conduit."

Robertson said that he didn't expect to win the award but that he knew the story was "significant."

"I was very proud of the work that we did. Just the fact that we were recognized for doing a story on a transgendered woman was really admirable."



Photojournalist Brian Robertson receives an award from the National Lesbian & Gay Journalists Association in Chicago.

Besides covering major news events for KGW including the NBA finals, the 9/11 terrorism attacks in New York and the wars in Kosovo and Iraq, Robertson volunteers for organizations including Our House of Portland and sings with the Portland Gay Men's Chorus.

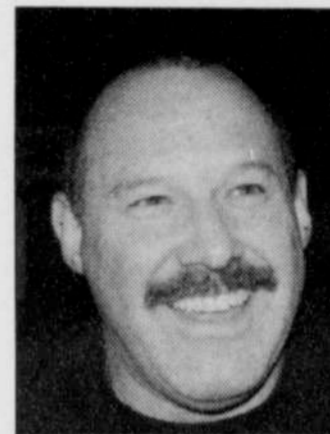
—Jaymee R. Cuti **JA**

This issue of Just Out delves into the realm of fantasy and asks the question, "If you could sit down and talk with any gay or lesbian icon, legend or celebrity, living or dead, whom would you choose and why?"



LEE KYLE TURNER
Sissyboy Co-founder

"Rimbaud, the poet, because he was a really sexy rebel poet and I'd love to drink absinthe and get him naked. He was hot."



DAVE BEHREND
Jack of All Trades

"Matthew Shepard. I admire him for his coming out amid all the bigotry and hate. I'd ask him about what he'd see as his role if he were here today. Would he be an activist like his mother?"



MARTE LAMB
Actual Person on the Street

"Sappho, because depending on the translation her poetry is drop-dead gorgeous."



NICOLE BROWNING
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"James Baldwin. I've always felt an affinity for his experience, and I've always enjoyed his eloquence amidst his angst."



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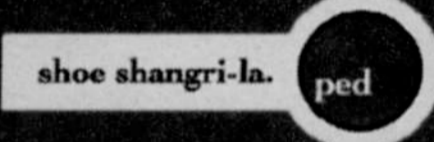
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