



INSPIRING TRAVEL
THROUGH RESPONSIBLE JOURNALISM

SATW Eastern Chapter

2019 Contest

Newspaper Article Category

1st Place: Janet Forman – What to do During Sweden’s Magical Summer Interlude

2nd Place: Kate Armstrong – Heavenly Delights

Honorable Mention: Ellen Albanese – Preserving Florida’s Old Time Charm with an Eye to the Future

TRAVEL

What to do during Sweden's magical summer interlude



Traditional Midsummer Eve activities revolve around the midsommarstang, the midsummer pole.

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The Swedes go a touch mad in their brief but intoxicating warm season, when the sun shines nearly 22 hours a day. In mid-June, Stockholmers head for cottages in the Stockholm Archipelago, where they practise the pagan rites of Midsummer Eve

JANET FORMAN

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Magazine Article Category

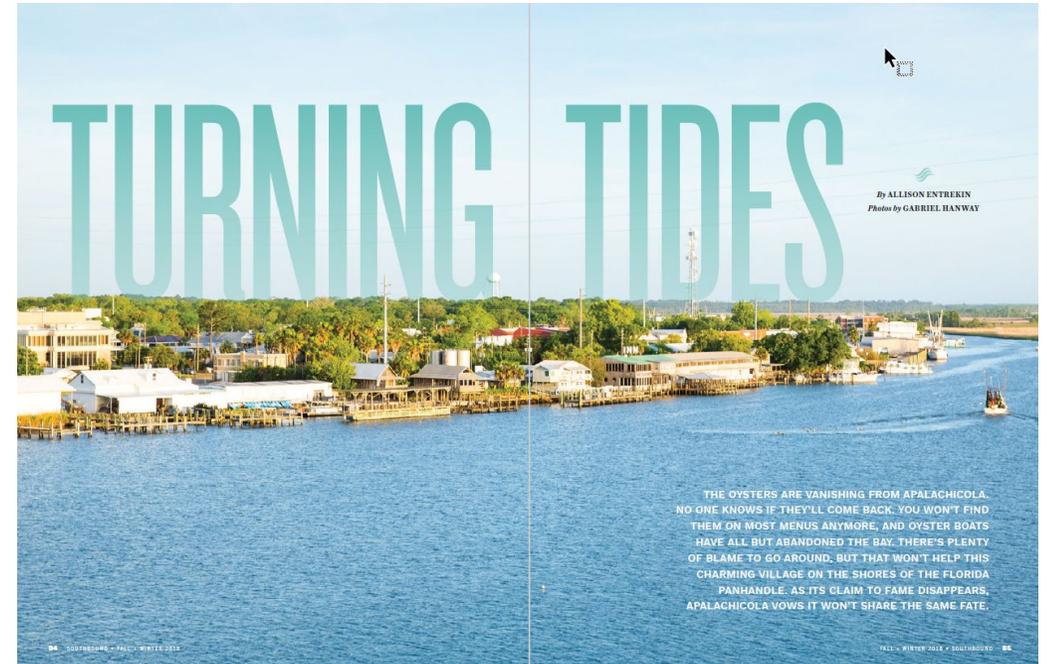
1st Place: Allison Entrekin – Turning Tides

2nd Place: Mark Orwoll – Into the Howling Wilderness

Honorable Mention: TWO WINNERS!

MaryAnn DeSantis – Rockin’ and Rollin’
Down the Blues Highway

Todd Pitcock – Up in the Mist

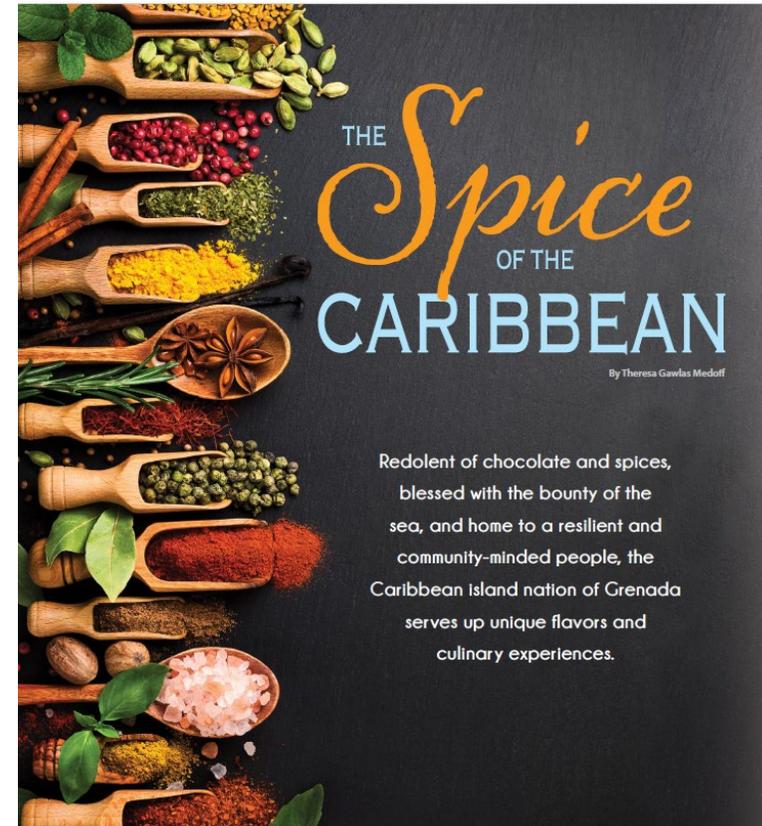


Food & Travel Category

1st Place: Theresa Medoff – The Spice of the Carriibbean

2nd Place: Margie Goldsmith – Iceland: Visit the Land of Ice and Fire Now

Honorable Mention: Allison Entrekin – So You Wanna Learn to Cook



Family Travel Category

1st Place: Stephen Jermanok – Best Family Trips: The Swiss Alps

2nd Place: Larissa Milne – Modern Day Fairytale

Honorable Mention: Tamara Gruber – The Family Bucket List Challenge that Will Change Your Life

Best Family Trips: Swiss Alps

Steve Jermanok



A peak photo op for the author and his family.

Photo by Steve Jermanok

Time together in the Alps is just right for active families with college-age kids. Grindelwald is one of those fairy-tale [Swiss](#) mountain villages that serve as a gateway to the heart of the Alps. Wander from your hotel to the Grindelwald-First gondola, ride it to the last stop, and soon you'll be staring at a crown of majestic 13,000-foot peaks. While it's the Jungfrau region's largest ski resort, in summer Grindelwald offers scenic walks, bike rides, and hikes past lakes and waterfalls and through flower-bedecked alpine meadows.



Blog Category

1st Place: Cory Lee Woodard – The Ultimate Wheelchair Guide to Barcelona, Spain: What to Do, Where to Stay, and How to Get Around

2nd Place: Cory Lee Woodard – Overcoming my Fear in the Sahara Desert

Honorable Mention: Meryl Pearlstein – Traveling in China without Knowing Chinese: First Stops Beijing and Wenzhou

BY CORY LEE
– THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE
– BARCELONA, SPAIN: WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO STAY, –
AND HOW TO GET AROUND



For years, I have heard that Barcelona is the most wheelchair accessible city in all of Europe. Other wheelchair users rave about it and I am constantly asked for Barcelona tourist information, tips, and recommendations from others that are planning to visit the city. Since it's so accessible, they just assume that I've been there, but while I have visited much of Europe, Barcelona was one city I had not explored. I even went to Spain for the first time this past April, but only visited Madrid and Toledo. I fell in love with Spain though, and swore that one day I would make it to wheelchair accessible Barcelona. I had no idea that that promise would come true so quickly!

This past June, only two months after my [Madrid](#) trip, I received an email from the [Barcelona Tourism Board](#) and the [Catalan Tourism Board](#). They asked if I would like to visit Barcelona and some of the other parts of Catalonia to scout accessibility and experience it for myself. Of course, I shouted with glee after reading the email, rearranged my schedule a bit to make it work, and wrote back with an enthusiastic "YESSSSSS"! Sometimes life presents opportunities that I just can't resist and this was certainly one of them.

Just a month later, I boarded a nonstop flight from Atlanta to Barcelona and over the next week, it became one of my favorite cities ever for multiple reasons. From gorgeous architecture that will literally bring you to tears to some of the world's most accessible beaches, Barcelona surpassed every expectation that I had. Here's the ultimate wheelchair access guide to this incredible city, with Barcelona tourist information on the best attractions, modes of



Book Category

1st Place: Sandra Friend and John Keatley -
Explorer's Guide North Florida & The Panhandle

2nd Place: Sandra Friend and John Keating - 50
Hikes In Central Florida, 3rd Edition

Honorable Mention: Kim MacKinnon – 100
Places to See in Boston Before You Die



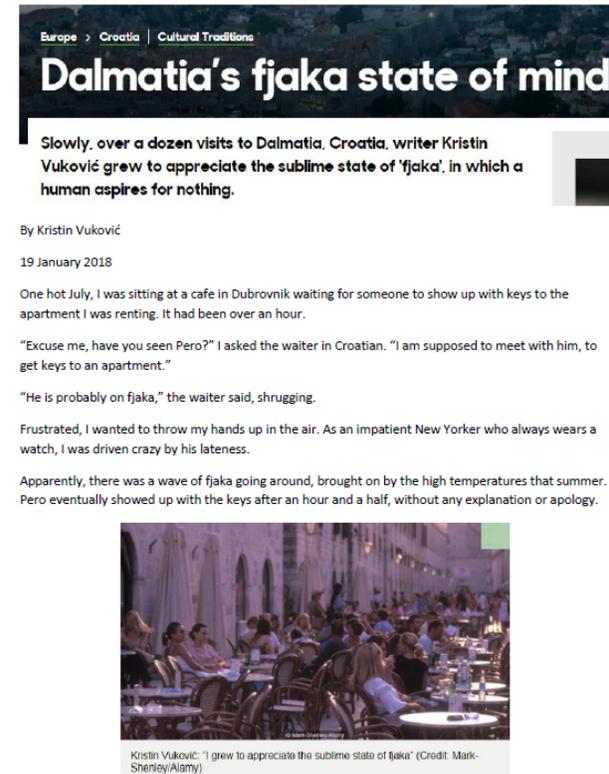
Miscellaneous Category

1st Place: Kristen Vukovic - Dalmatia's Fjaka State of Mind

2nd Place: Kathy Newburn – Cozy Coupling

Honorable Mention: Stephen Jermanok
Revolutionary Road

Note: The one entry in Multimedia and Broadcast was placed in this category as the minimum number of entries was not received.



Photography Category

Judges Elected to Not Make an Award in this Category.



Associate Category

1st Place: Ashley Norman - El Salvador
North American Destination Marketing
Campaign

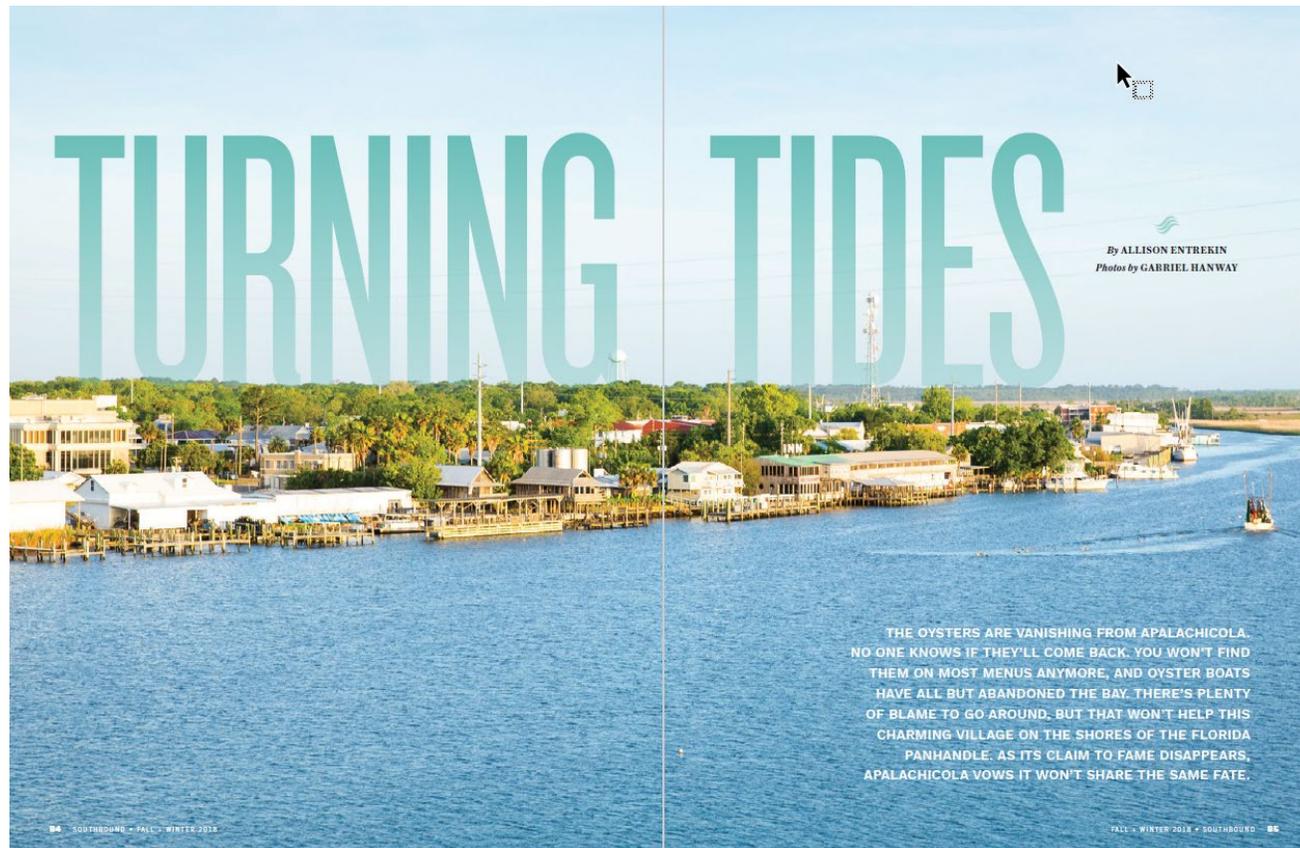
2nd Place: Ashley Norman - Uganda
Tourism Board 2018-2019 Integrated
Marketing Campaign

Honorable Mention: Karyl Leigh Barnes –
St. Louis Public Relations Campaign



BEST IN SHOW

ALLISON ENTREKIN – TURNING TIDES



Thank You to our Judges

Victoria Brewood

April Orcutt

David O'Donnell

Jill Robinson

