

VLV AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN BROADCASTING 2018

The Voice of the Listener & Viewer (VLV) award winners' ceremony, hosted by Jan Ravens of *Dead Ringers'* fame, took place on Thursday 9 May 2019 in London during VLV's Annual Spring Conference.

The VLV Awards for Excellence in Broadcasting 2018, which cover programmes broadcast in 2018, were presented to celebrate many aspects of television and radio with programmes, individuals and channels nominated and voted for by VLV members – their viewers and listeners.

The winners included newscasters BBC Chief International Correspondent, Lyse Doucet, and Channel 4 News Europe Editor, Matt Frei, drama *A Very English Scandal*, long-running entertainment show *Have I Got News for You*, radio arts programme *Saturday Review* and BBC cricket coverage in *Test Match Special*. The team behind *They Shall Not Grow Old*, the documentary which featured original First World War footage, were presented with an award for innovation; documentary makers Norma Percy and Brian Lapping were awarded the Naomi Sargent award for their work over many years which has provided audiences with significant insight into issues and stories from around the world. The full list of the 2018 winners and nominees are below.

WINNERS VLV AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN BROADCASTING 2018

Television

Best Drama Programme: *A Very English Scandal*, BBC One

Best TV News and Factual Programme: *A House Through Time*, BBC Two

Best TV Children's Programme: *My Life: Mumbai Street Strikers*, CBBC

Best TV Arts and Entertainment Programme: *Have I Got News for You*, BBC One

Best international programme: *Drowning in Plastic*, BBC One (sponsored by the International Broadcasting Trust)

Best TV Individual Contributor: Matt Frei

Radio

Best Drama and Comedy Programme: *The Now Show*, BBC Radio 4

Best Radio News and Factual: *In Our Time*, BBC Radio 4

Best Music and Arts Programme: *Saturday Review*, BBC Radio 4

Best individual contributor to Radio: Lyse Doucet

TV & Radio

Best Sports Programme: *Test Match Special*, Radio 4, Radio 5 Live Sports Extra, BBC Sport

Special Awards

The Naomi Sargent Award: Norma Percy and Brian Lapping

The VLV Award for Innovation: *They Shall Not Grow Old*, BBC Two

FULL NOMINATIONS LIST

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BEST TV DRAMA PROGRAMME

<i>A Very English Scandal</i>	BBC One
<i>Black Earth Rising</i>	BBC Two
<i>Bodyguard</i>	BBC One
<i>Killing Eve</i>	BBC One
<i>No Offence</i>	Channel 4
<i>Vanity Fair</i>	ITV

BEST TV NEWS AND FACTUAL PROGRAMME

<i>A House through Time</i>	BBC Two
<i>Beyond 100 Days</i>	BBC News Channel and BBC Four
<i>Newsnight</i>	BBC Two
<i>Peston on Sunday</i>	ITV
<i>Portillo's Hidden History of Britain</i>	Channel 5
<i>They Shall Not Grow Old</i>	BBC Two

BEST TV ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMME

<i>Have I Got News for You</i>	BBC One
<i>Only Connect</i>	BBC Two
<i>Random Acts</i>	Channel 4
<i>Raymond Briggs: Snowmen, Bogeymen and Milkmen</i>	BBC Two
<i>Upstart Crow</i>	BBC Two
<i>Would I Lie to You</i>	BBC One

BEST TV INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTOR

Matt Frei
Katty Kay
Emily Maitlis
Andrew Neil
David Olusoga
Jon Sopel

VLV + IBT AWARD FOR INTERNATIONAL CONTENT

<i>A Dangerous Dynasty: House of Assad</i>	BBC Two
<i>Dispatches: Myanmar's Killing Fields</i>	Channel 4
<i>Drowning in Plastic</i>	BBC One
<i>Mediterranean with Simon Reeve</i>	BBC Two
<i>Michael Palin in North Korea</i>	Channel 5
<i>Stacey Dooley Investigates: Fashion's Dirty Secrets</i>	BBC Three

BEST SPORTS PROGRAMME – RADIO & TV (sponsored by Arqiva)

<i>European Rugby Champions Cup</i>	Channel 4
<i>2018 Football World Cup</i>	BBC/ITV
<i>2018 Formula 1 Grand Prix</i>	Channel 4
<i>2018 French Open Tennis</i>	ITV
<i>Test Match Special</i>	Radio 4/Radio 5 live Sports Extra/BBC Sport
<i>2018 Winter Olympics</i>	BBC

BEST RADIO DRAMA AND COMEDY PROGRAMME

<i>Drama on 3: Pinter's The Birthday Party</i>	Radio 3
<i>Gloomsbury</i>	Radio 4
<i>Home Front</i>	Radio 4
<i>Meet David Sedaris</i>	Radio 4
<i>The Now Show</i>	Radio 4
<i>Tommies</i>	Radio 4

BEST RADIO NEWS AND FACTUAL PROGRAMME

<i>Brexit: A Love Story?</i>	Radio 4
<i>Feedback</i>	Radio 4
<i>In Our Time</i>	Radio 4
<i>The James O'Brien Show</i>	LBC
<i>Last Word</i>	Radio 4
<i>Pienaar's Politics</i>	Radio 5 live

BEST RADIO MUSIC AND ARTS PROGRAMME

<i>Barry Humphries: Barry's Forgotten Musical Masterpieces</i>	Radio 2
<i>Breakfast</i>	Radio 3
<i>Kermode and Mayo's Film Review</i>	Radio 5 live
<i>Saturday Review</i>	Radio 4
<i>Soul Music</i>	Radio 4
<i>Words and Music</i>	Radio 3

BEST INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTOR TO RADIO

Katya Adler
Nicky Campbell
Lyse Doucet
Paddy O'Connell
Ritula Shah
Edward Stourton