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**KCCI 8'S ERIC HANSON WINS PRESTIGIOUS NATIONAL AWARD**  
*KCCI 8 News This Morning anchor Eric Hanson honored with National Murrow Award*

Des Moines, IA (June 24, 2015) - KCCI 8 News This Morning anchor Eric Hanson was announced today as the winner of the national Edward R. Murrow award for writing in the Television (small market) category. Hanson won this award for a compilation of 3 stories that ran as a part of his ongoing "This Is Iowa" series.

"This is Eric's third national Murrow award," said KCCI 8 News Director Dave Busiek. "He is so good at telling compelling, interesting and visual stories happening here in central Iowa. I'm very proud of him."

The first story told the story of Laura Yoho, a young woman who lost her battle to cancer but arranged to have her best friend deliver her daughter. The second story covered the reunion of a mother with seven of her children while the third told the story of Monte, who doesn't let his challenges get in the way of giving back to his community.

"I'm so thankful for the Iowans who trust me to tell their stories," said Eric Hanson. "It's a huge responsibility that I don't take lightly. I'd also like to thank the photojournalists I work with every day who help me capture these moments."

To win a national Murrow award, entrants must first win a regional award, and then beat out 12 other regional winners from around the country.

"These are very hard to win," said KCCI President and General Manager Brian Sather. "You have to be better than the best of the best. Congratulations to Eric."

The award is named after legendary CBS News anchor Edward R. Murrow and is handed out by the Radio-Television Digital News Association (RTDNA).

The stories that won the award can be found here: <http://www.kcci.com/news/kccis-eric-hanson-wins-national-edward-r-murrow-award/33749484>

About KCCI:

Celebrating close to 60 years of broadcasting, KCCI 8 News produces over 30 hours of award-winning local news each week. KCCI, "Iowa's News Leader," is proud to provide news, sports, weather and entertainment to the area on KCCI, online at KCCI.com and on mobile devices with their numerous digital offerings. KCCI also offers TV's most memorable entertainment on its digital channel, Me-TV Des Moines 8.2 and exciting new hits on My Des Moines 8.3. Extremely thankful to the community it serves, KCCI also partners year-round with local non-profits to give back to the Des Moines-Ames area.

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