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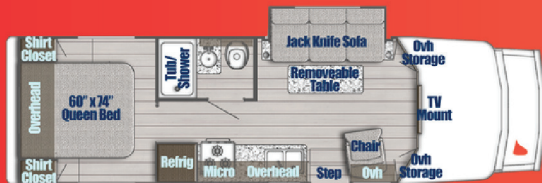
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Music Festival

WINNER
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RUNNER UP
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Theater Group

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Valley Players Theater

Welcome to The Barre-Montpelier Times Argus Best of the Best Readers' Choice Awards special section — where you can find out the people, businesses and places that make Washington County and Vermont a great place to live. A big thank you goes out to the readers — once again you took the time and care to help us out, and we appreciate it and we heard you loud and clear. There were some upsets, and some mainstays kept their position at the top of the heap, but all in all these awards are really about what's great in the area.

These awards are a chance for people to find out what they might not have known, or might have had in front of them all along without really appreciating. Many of the award winners are local icons or long-time favorites, but some of them might not have had as much time in the public eye. We hope you find out for yourselves what makes these businesses and people special enough to be the Best.

So hang on to this guide, and when you're wondering where to get the best help on buying an car, where to grab a bite to eat, who to get help when looking for a service professional or what's the best place to shop local, glance through and see the advice of thousands who know what's truly best about the region.



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The Wayside
RUNNER UP
Espresso Bueno

Burger

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Buddy's Famous

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Cornerstone Pub & Kitchen

Caterer

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Locarno's to Go
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Cornerstone Pub & Kitchen

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Espresso Bueno
RUNNER UP
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Pump & Pantry

Creemee Stand

WINNER
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RUNNER UP
Dairy Cream

Dinner

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Sarducci's
RUNNER UP
The Meltdown Grilled Cheese and Tap Room

French Fries

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Al's French Fries
RUNNER UP
Buddy's Famous

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Rocket J's Snack Bar

Lunch

WINNER
The Meltdown Grilled Cheese and Tap Room
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Morse Block Deli

Pizza

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Positive Pie
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Pearl Street Pizza

Place to eat out with your family

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The Wayside
RUNNER UP
The Meltdown Grilled Cheese and Tap Room

Restaurant

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Sarducci's

RUNNER UP
Cornerstone Pub & Kitchen

Sandwich

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Morse Block Deli & Taps
RUNNER UP
The Meltdown Grilled Cheese and Tap Room

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RUNNER UP - TIE
Gusto's
RUNNER UP - TIE
**The Meltdown Grilled
Cheese and Tap Room**

Bartender (Establishment)

WINNER
Alex Buck (Gusto's)
RUNNER UP
Diane Hood (The Meltdown)

Live Music Venue

WINNER
Barre Opera House
RUNNER UP
Gusto's

Local Disc Jockey / Emcee

WINNER
JD Green
RUNNER UP
Mike Douglas

Local Musician(s)

WINNER
TJ Powers
RUNNER UP - TIE
Alison Porter



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Native Tongue

Performing Arts Venue

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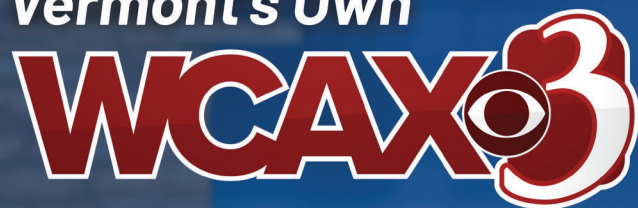
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