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## **Website for SCETV program, *After Action*, named winner of South Carolina Notable State Documents Award**

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – The South Carolina State Library recently announced South Carolina ETV and Public Radio (SCETV) as a winner of a 2024 Notable State Documents award for [AfterActionShow.org](https://www.AfterActionShow.org). The website promotes [After Action](https://www.AfterActionShow.org), an SCETV program distributed to PBS stations nationwide, revealing the experiences of veterans from across the country.

Hosted by Air Force combat veteran Stacy Pearsall, *After Action* offers an inside look at the experiences of veterans from across the country, featuring candid conversations about life before, during and after service. By sharing her own struggles with reintegrating into civilian life, Pearsall encourages fellow veterans to delve deeper into their personal stories, fostering a greater understanding and appreciation for those who have served.

*After Action* premiered in 2022 and has aired two seasons with a total of 14 episodes. Produced by SCETV, the program was broadcast on PBS stations across the country. In addition to [AfterActionShow.org](https://www.AfterActionShow.org), as a PBS-distributed series, *After Action* is available for streaming on the PBS app, PBS Amazon Prime and on [PBS.org](https://www.PBS.org).

Nominations for the Notable Documents Awards were submitted throughout the year, with final candidates being judged by a panel of librarians and state employees. Candidates were judged based on their designs, writing styles and breadth of information. The judges chose a unique group of twelve documents and websites for recognition.

The *After Action* website was chosen to receive the award for its focus on veteran resources and connection to SCETV's content with stations across the country. In addition to the episodes, the website provides valuable information on featured topics to enhance viewer engagement. The resources tab also offers helpful tools for locating veterans' programs and support services.

Government documents come in a variety of formats and winning categories, including state agency monographs, serials and websites or apps. Winners of the South Carolina Notable State Documents award are announced in honor of Freedom of Information Day, which occurs annually on March 16. These noteworthy publications call attention to the most informative documents released by state agencies in 2024. Awards will be presented to the winning agencies and authors during a ceremony at the South Carolina State Library on March 19.

More information about the South Carolina State Library and the Notable State Documents Awards winners can be found on the [South Carolina State Library website](https://www.southcarolinastatelibrary.org).

### **QUOTES**

"We are truly honored to have the *After Action* website selected as one of the twelve recipients of the 2024 Notable State Documents Award, especially given the vast number of significant state documents produced by South Carolina agencies each year. I extend my heartfelt thanks to the South Carolina State Library for recognizing this work, and I want to congratulate the SCETV team for their outstanding efforts in making this achievement possible." –**SCETV President and CEO Adrienne Fairwell**



"*After Action* introduces audiences to a lesser-known aspect of military service—the challenge of reintegrating into civilian life. The AfterActionShow.org website offers an additional platform to share veterans' stories and the resources available to them and their families. Receiving a Notable State Documents Award is a meaningful recognition that we are effectively communicating their stories." —***After Action* Producer and SCETV Director of National Content and Regional Operations Don Godish**

"AfterActionShow.org is more than just a website; it's a platform that highlights the powerful connections between Stacy Pearsall and veterans, giving them the opportunity to share their stories and support one another. By providing a space for their interviews alongside valuable veteran resources, we aim to help veterans and their families realize that assistance is available. This award is a testament to their courage in sharing their experiences and their commitment to supporting each other."—***After Action* Producer and Assistant Director of National Content Hannah Merchant**

#### **FAST FACTS:**

- The South Carolina State Library recently announced SCETV as a winner of a 2024 Notable State Documents award for its [AfterActionShow.org](https://www.afteractionshow.org) website.
- Hosted by Air Force combat veteran Stacy Pearsall, [After Action](https://www.afteractionshow.org) offers an inside look at the experiences of veterans from across the country.
- In addition to the episodes, the *After Action* website provides valuable information on featured topics to enhance viewer engagement.
- A panel of librarians and state employees judged nominated documents on their designs, writing styles and breadth of information
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#### **About South Carolina ETV and Public Radio**

South Carolina ETV and Public Radio (SCETV) is the state's public educational broadcasting network. SCETV amplifies South Carolina voices, provides educational experiences and strengthens communities, while working toward creating a stronger, more connected and informed South Carolina. In addition to airing local programs, such as *The Know Show*, *Making It Grow*, and *This Week in South Carolina*, SCETV also presents multiple programs to regional and national audiences, including *Books By The River*, *After Action*, *Reconnecting Roots*, *Reel South*, *Somewhere South*, *Yoga in Practice*, *Downing of a Flag* and *Southern Songwriters with Patrick Davis*.

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