

MSG, NYC TV vie for most N.Y. Emmys

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NEW YORK -- MSG Network leads the way with 50 nominations for the 51st annual New York Emmy Awards, announced Thursday.

NYC TV is close behind with 48 noms, while Tribune-owned station WPIX leads broadcasters with 30.

Also receiving double-digit nominations were News 12 Long Island (29), WNBC (27), News 12 Connecticut (25), YES Network (25, including seven shared with MLB Prods.), WNYW Fox 5 (24), WCBS (22), Thirteen/WNET (19), WNJU Telemundo 47 (18), SportsNet New York (16), WABC (16), WXTV/Univision 41 (14), My 9 News WWOR (12) and News 12 New Jersey (12).

WNBC, the Peacock's owned-and-operated station in the city, dominated the morning newscast category with three entries, while WNYW and WXTV each received one. WNJU received four nominations in the evening newscast under-35 minutes category, with WCBS receiving one nom in that field. The longer newscast category was more evenly distributed with nominations for WCBS, WPIX, WABC, WNYW and WWOR.

Two of the city's biggest stories in the past year and a half were the subject of several entries. The Oct. 11, 2006, plane crash on the Upper East Side that killed Yankees pitcher Corey Lidle and an instructor was the focus of breaking news and spot news entries. So was the Midtown steam pipe explosion in July.

WGRZ received seven nominations; News 12 Westchester received five; CUNY TV, WIVB and NJN Public Television received four; and LX Networks and WRNN got three each. FSN New York, Men.Style.com, NY1, Plum TV, R News, Style.com, WKBW and WXXI each got two noms.

Twenty-two outlets earned a single nom apiece: Bravo, Bronxnet, City Lights Television, CSTV, Epicurious.com, ESPN2, FloatersTV.com, LifetimeTV.com, News 12 Interactive, News 12 The Bronx/Brooklyn, ScribeMedia.org, TanquerayRangpur.com, Time Warner Cable, TLC, Travel Channel, WLIW 21, WNED, WROC, WSTM, WSYR, WSYT and WVVH.

The New York Emmys, presented by the New York Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, will be handed out April 6 at the Marriott Marquis at Times Square.