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**AAPC Announces 2023 Class of 40 Under 40 Award Winners**

Palm Springs, California (April 18, 2023) — The American Association of Political Consultants (AAPC), America’s only bipartisan association of political professionals, announced today the winners of the 2023 40 Under 40 Awards program recognizing the best and brightest young professionals working in the United States. Selected from more than 250 nominations, the winners were recognized at an awards ceremony during the 2023 Pollie Awards and Conference in Palm Springs, California on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.

“We are elated to welcome a new class of gifted political consultants who will continue to make an impact in our industry,” said AAPC President Becki Donatelli. “As AAPC continues to support young professionals to grow within the industry, we look forward to their contributions both now and in the future,” added AAPC Vice President Larry Huynh.

“Ampersand and its owner companies, would like to offer congratulations to the 2023 class of 40 Under 40 award winners,” added Tim Kay, Vice President of Political Strategy.

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The AAPC is dedicated to fostering the next generation of political professionals and is proud to recognize leaders and innovators in the political business community (including media, advertising, polling, and public affairs) who are making a mark in their organization and their profession.

**Winners of the AAPC 2023 40 Under 40 Awards**

<b>Democratic Winners</b>	<b>Republican Winners</b>
Allyson Marcus, The Hub Project	Adam Scheidler, TAG Strategies
Brendan McPhillips, Hilltop Public Solutions	Ashleigh Pisarcik, Ivory Political Strategy
Brett "Coop" Cooper, SWAY	Ben Mitchell, Jamestown Associates
Cassi Peters, Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee	Bobby Saporow, Kemp for Governor
Daniel Barash, SKDK	Brendon DelToro, Guidant Polling and Strategy
David Bergstein, Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee	Domenic Re, Congressional Leadership Fund
Ilana Kaplan, SWDC Organizing Group	Jack Pandol, NRCC
Jenna Fullmer, Blue Compass Strategies	Jon Black, Data Trust
John Padua, Trilogy Interactive	Jonathan Duke, Deep Root Analytics
Lindsay Vermeyen, Breakthrough Campaigns	Jordan Root, Texans for Greg Abbott
Megan Jacobs, League of Conservation Voters	Jordan Wiggins, Owner
Morgan Miller, Left Coast Strategies LLC	Matthew W Cohen, HBS+
Patrick Brown, FOGLAMP	Nicholas Maddux, Axiom Strategies
Pili Tobar, Fireside Campaigns	Paul Shashy, SR Communications LLC



Ryan Irvin, Change Media Group	Robert Schmidt, McLaughlin & Associates
Samantha Greene, Sena Kozar Strategies	Thaddeus Rupp, Targeted Victory
Shannon-Janean Currie, Benenson Strategy Group	Theresa Winegar, National Republican Congressional Committee
Terrance Woodbury, HIT Strategies	Tommy Knepper, In Field Strategies
Tommy McDonald, The Win Company	Torunn Sinclair, Senate Leadership Fund and One Nation
Trip Yang, Trip Yang Strategies	Will Ritter, POOLHOUSE Agency LLC

### **About the 2023 AAPC Pollie Conference**

As the premier industry event, the 2023 Pollie Awards and Conference, held in Palm Springs, California from April 18-20, 2023, brings the leading political professionals together to network and hear from top technology innovators, pollsters, pundits, and service providers. The conference features cutting-edge programming on key industry trends, designed to empower attendees to leverage the latest techniques in campaign strategy and management. The conference is widely recognized as the must-attend event for political consultants, media buyers, public affairs specialists, suppliers, industry leaders, and journalists. For details, visit [www.theaapc.org](http://www.theaapc.org).

### **About AAPC**

Founded in 1969, the AAPC is a multi-partisan organization of political and public affairs professionals dedicated to improving democracy. The AAPC has over 1,600 members hailing from all corners of the globe. It is the largest association of political and public affairs professionals in the world. For more information, see [www.theaapc.org](http://www.theaapc.org).

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