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Harbison Named Michigan Media Educator of the Year



Romeo High School video production teacher Stephany Harbison was named the Digital Arts, Film and Television (DAFT) 2025 Michigan Media Educator of the Year at the 57th Michigan Student Film Festival. The awards ceremony was held at the DIA's historic Detroit Film Theatre on Saturday, April 26.

According to the DAFT news release, Mrs. Harbison "has grown Romeo's media program into a standard of excellence known across the state for its unique balance of journalism, narrative filmmaking and community outreach.

"Stephany's tireless creativity, energy and sense of fun has also made her a valuable member of the DAFT family behind the scenes at our festivals, media teacher and student symposia, trivia night fundraisers and for her guidance in DAFT's mission to serve any student and teacher of Michigan's schools to develop their own Career Tech Educational and curricular programming. Her exemplary work ethic has transferred itself importantly to her many graduates who use skills from her programs in all walks of life – far beyond holding a camera."

Neko Trocki, RHS Class of 2023, is one of those graduates.

"During my time in her class, she gave me guidance and knowledge on how to improve and expand my filmmaking skills," Neko said. "She took me and my dreams very seriously, as she did for each student who walked into her classroom. She has opened many doors for me including internships, further education opportunities, and so much more. I truly would not be where I am today without her."

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