

# Bookmarks Best in Show for 24.com, Gloo/Studio 4332

24.com and Gloo Digital Design, in collaboration with Studio 4332, walked off a Black Pixel each last night, Thursday, 12 November 2009, for Best in Show in publishing and digital marketing respectively at the second annual Bookmarks Awards, hosted by the Online Publishers Association (OPA) in Johannesburg. No Grands Prix were awarded.



Gloo and Studio 4332 (formerly proximity#ttp) won the Best of Show award for their Cell C createme campaign in the Digital Marketing category, while News24 won the Best of Show for the Digital Publishing category. Both awards were sponsored by RG/A New York.

The Greatest Individual Contribution to Online Media and Marketing, sponsored by The Spacestation, was tightly contested but Rob Stokes

from Quirk eMarketing pipped both Andrea Mitchell from Digivox, CT Media Publications and Tim Bishop from Prezence South Africa at the post.

## **People's Choice**



Online Publishers Association (OPA) chairperson Adrian Hew lett said there's definitely no lack of skills or talent in this country, but there does need to be greater financial commitment from advertisers.

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For the first time, a People's Choice award was awarded in both the Digital Marketing and Digital publishing categories. The former went to Nokia:my97homescreen.com, by Aqua Online, with 107 votes; the latter went to sport24.co.za, by 24.com, with 435 votes. Both of these awards were voted for by members of the public here on Bizcommunity.com.



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While no Gold Pixels were handed out, Gloo took the most Pixels, winning two Silvers and four Bronzes under digital marketing. It was followed by Quirk eMarketing with two Silvers; Stonewall+ Digital Marketing with one Silver and one Bronze; and Cow, Stonewall Media, and Hello Computer all received one Silver respectively.

The digital publishing sector saw TimesLIVE, from the Avusa Media stable and News24, the digital news brand from 24.com, both walk away with Silvers, while Afrigator and The Shuttleworth Foundation, in collaboration with Fontera and Clockwork Zoo, each received a Bronze.



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Chris Colborn, Alex Jay and Adrian Hew lett clearly enjoying themselves.

### All the winners

Category	Pixel	Client	Campaign	Agency/publisher
Digital Marketing: Best in Show	Black	Cell C	Createme Microsite	Gloo Digital Design & Studio 4332
Publishing: Best in Show	Black	News24	News24 Digital News Brand Integrated Campaign	24.com
Digital Marketing: Website	Bronze	Glade Music Festival	Glade Website	Urbian
Digital Marketing: Website	Silver	Wicked Pixels	Wicked	Gloo Digital Design & Wicked Pixels
Digital Marketing: Microsite	Silver	The Loerie Awards	Feed your Ego	HelloComputer
Digital Marketing: Microsite	Silver	Cell C	createme	Gloo Digital Design & Studio 4332
Digital Marketing: Email	No award			
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Digital Marketing: Online Advertising	Bronze	Stonewall+	Interactive Press Release	Stonewall+ Digital Marketing
Digital Marketing: Online Advertising	Bronze	ghost pops	zombie	Gloo Digital Design & Net#work BBDO
Digital Marketing: Mobile Advertising	Silver	Vodacom	Mobikasi	Cow
Digital Marketing: Mobile Advertising	Bronze	puma	tetralift	Gloo Digital Design
Digital Marketing: Mobile Advertising	Bronze	Cosmopolitan magazine	Juicy Details	Gloo Digital Design
Digital Marketing: Social Media	Silver	Idea Bounty	Idea Bounty	Quirk
Digital Marketing: Social Media	Silver	Warner Bros.	Harry Potter - Hogwarts Wizarding Class	Quirk

Digital Marketing: Social Media	Bronze	Steri Stumpie	Steri Stumpie	Mnemonic, King James RSVP, Atmosphere PR
Digital Marketing: Search Engine	No award			
Digital Marketing: Integrated Campaign	Silver	Vodacom	Vodacom Fame Digital Campaign	Stonewall+ Digital Marketing
Digital Marketing: Integrated Campaign	Bronze	Cell C	createme campaign	Gloo Digital Design & Studio 4332
Digital Marketing: Online Media Plans	Bronze	iBurst	iBurst : Dial-Up is Dead	digiVOX
Digital Marketing: Online Media Plans	Silver	Lexus	Lexus RX	Stonewall+ Media
Publishing: Website	Bronze	Fin24.com	Fin24.com	24.com
Publishing: Website	Silver	Times LIVE	Times LIVE Launch	Avusa Media Ltd
Publishing: Integrated Campaign	Bronze	Afrigator	Afrigator	Afrigator Internet
Publishing: Integrated Campaign	Silver	News24 Digital News brand	News24 Digital News brand	24.com
Publishing: Mobile Publishing	Bronze	Shuttleworth Foundation	Kontax, an m-novel	Shuttleworth Foundation, Fontera, Clockwork Zoo
People's Choice: Digital Marketing	Red	Nokia	My97homepage.com	Aqua Online
People's Choice: Publishing	Red	Sport24.co.za	Sport24.co.za	24.com
Greatest Individual Contribution	White	Rob Stokes	Quirk eMarketing	

See 2009 winners on The Bookmarks site for links to creative work.



Hello Computer receiving its Silver Pixel from an 'unflinching' Alex Jay.

#### Strictest standards

According to Online Publishers Association (OPA) chairperson, Adrian Hewlett, the balanced judging panel, made up of both local and international digital experts (<u>Pete Case</u> of Gloo, <u>JP Farinha of 24.com, Rob Stokes</u> of Quirk, <u>Fernanda Romano</u> of Euro RSCG, and <u>Chris Colborn</u> of R/GA New York), maintained the strict standards that the awards set from last year. "This is a truly global discipline and we have to be benchmarked internationally," he said.

"[The] key take out of this year's Bookmarks Awards is that there is definitely not a lack of skills or talent in this country. There is, however, a very real need for greater financial commitment from advertisers, which in turn will allow our agencies to invest more time, and thought, in rolling out greater work. Next year I hope we see the first million dollar project!" he added.



Headline sponsors were FNB and BBC.com. Stonewall+ Media receiving its award.



The OPA's Nikki Cockcroft addressing the audience.

Guests were entertained from the moment they stepped onto the red carpet at Movida in Sunninghill. MC Alex Jay brought down a packed house with his quips and irreverent award to Telkom, adding to the professionalism of the evening. With customised Bookmarks cocktails, a physical theatre performance from 1st Project and the uber-cool Cape Town-based band, The Dirty Skirts, the night was all about celebration and digitally-themed entertainment.

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