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For the fourth year, AZFoothills.com has asked readers to weigh in on their favorite people, businesses and hidden treasures in the Valley. Thousands of nominees were chosen by the public, editors and focus groups, and duked it out for the honor of calling themselves the Best of our Valley.

After millions of votes were cast at AZFoothills.com over the past 60 days, voting has concluded and more than 250 winners have been chosen!

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To nominate a business, person or item for the 2014 contest, e-mail bestof@azfoothills.com by September 1, 2013.



Arts & Entertainment

Best Annual Charity Event	
Best Annual Fashion Event	Fashion's Night Out
Best Annual Gala	Night of Gold, John C. Lincoln Guild
Best Annual Valley Event	
Best Automobile Auction	
Best Concert Venue	
Best Haunted House	Dark Scares, Mesa
Best Local Band/Musician	The Walkens
Best Museum	Musical
Best Special Event Venue	W
Favorite Special Event DJ	Mr. P-Body, DJ
Most Elite Men's Group	

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Companies & Professionals

Best Advertising Firm	Zion & Zion
Best Bankruptcy Law Firm	Platt & Westby PC
Best Catering	Copper Square Kitchen
Best Commercial Litigation Lawyer	Laura Kennedy, Cohen, Kennedy, Dowd & Quigley
Best Criminal Defense Attorney	Woodrow
Best Data Centers	Phoenix Nap
Best Employment Lawyer	Michelle
Best Estate Planning & Trust Administration Law Firm	The Frutkin Law Firm, PLC
Best Event Design & Decorations	Creative
Best Florist	Botanical Elegance
Best Graphic Design	Zion & Zion
Best Intellectual Property Law Firm	Jaburg & Wilk PC
Best Investment Firm	Miller Capital Markets, LLC
Best Job Search Web Site	

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Best Laundry/Dry Cle	Fifth Avenue
Best Local Non-Profit	TGen (Translational Genomics Research Institute)
Best Modeling Agency	JANI Modeling
Best National Valley-Based Company	GoDaddy
Best Photographer-Commercial	Chadwick Fowler, Chadwick Fowler Ph
Best Photographer-Events	Kevin Lane, KSL Photography
Best Photographer-Family & Portraits	Michael Levack, Levack P
Best Photographer-Fashion & Beauty	Christos Sewell, Christos Sewell Photography
Best Photographer-Real Estate & Interiors	Dan Raustadt, Bigger Picture Images
Best Private Banking	National Bank of Arizona
Best Public Relations or Marketing Firm	Zion & Zion
Best Real Estate Law Firm	Wilenchik and Bartness Attorney at Law
Best Realtor-Ahwatukee	Bonny Holland
Best Realtor-Arcadia	Walt Danley
Best Realtor-Chandler	Terry Dunshie
Best Realtor-Glendale	Susan Ramsey
Best Realtor in the Valley	Pam Eagan
Best Realtor-Paradise Valley	Walt Danley

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Best Realtor-Phoenix	Wendy Walker
Best Realtor-Scottsdale	Virginia Gee
Best Realtor-Tempe	Thomas Tokoph
Best Security Company	VSS Security Services
Best Social Networking and Online Media Firm	Zion & Zion
Best Tattoo Artist	Jason Anthony, Golden Rule
Best Trial Attorney	Dennis Wilenchik, Wilenchik and Bartness Attorney at Law
Best Web Design, Programming or Management Firm	Avenue 25
Family Law	Chris
Most Philanthropic Company	



Escapes

Best Aspen/Telluride Resort	The Peaks at Telluride
Best Greer Resort/Lodge	Hidden Meadow Ranch
Best Las Vegas Casino	Mandalay Bay
Best Las Vegas Pool	Aria-Liquid
Best Las Vegas	VDara

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Resort	Hotel and Spa
Best Los Angeles Resort	Shutters on the Beach
Best Orange County Resort	The Balboa Bay Club and Resort
Best San Diego Resort	Tower 23
Best Sun Valley Resort	Knob Hill Inn
Best Travel Website	



Food & Restaurants

Best Asian Cuisine & Sushi	Blue Wasabi Sushi & Martini Bar
Best Baked Goods	Cookies From Home
Best Barbecue	Famous Dave's™
Best Breakfast	First Watch
Best Burger	Kelly's At
Best Business Lunch Spot	Bistro 24, The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix
Best Comfort Food	Eddie's House
Best Culinary Event	Arizona Taco Festival
Best Cup of Coffee	Luci's Healthy Marketplace
Best Date Spot	Fleming's Prime Ste

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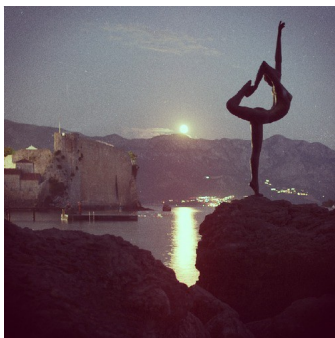
	akhouse & Wine Bar
Best Department Store Dining	Cafe
Best Farmers' Market	
Best Frozen Treat- Ice Cream, Gelato, or Custard	Udder Delights
Best Frozen Treat- Yogurt or Low-Cal Alternative	
Best Gluten-Free Menu	Indulge Burger
Best Grocery Store	Luci's Healthy M arketplace
Best Health Food or Vegetarian Food	Pita Jungle
Best Italian	Mia
Best Juicy Steak	Michael D
Best Lunch Spot - Fun	The Herb Box
Best Mexican Food	Spotted Donkey at el Pedregal
Best New Restaurant	Mia
Best Outdoor Seating	Kelly's At
Best Place to Watch the Big Game	SanTan Brewing Company
Best Private Dining Room	Fleming's Prime Ste akhouse & Wine Bar
Best Resort Restaurant	Deseo, Westin Kierland Resort & Spa

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Best Seafood	Ocean Prime
Best Slice	Venezia's Pizza
Best Spa Cuisine	Sprouts, The Spa at JW Marriot
Best Sunday Brunch	Carefree Station Grill & Bar
Best Tea Spot	The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix
Best Valley Food Truck	Super Farm Super Truck
Best View	The Hyatt,
Favorite Local Food Blog or Website	Phoenix Bites
Most Amazing Restaurant Interior	Sushi Roku
Old Favorite	AZ88



Health & Self

Best Alternative Exercise Option & Personal Training	Karve Studio
Best Alternative Spa Treatment	Bliss Spa, W
Best Board-Certified Plastic Surgeon	Dr. Lawrence Shaw

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Best Day Spa or Nail Salon	Teres A Nail Bar
Best Dentist or Dental Team	Dr. Allen
Best Dermatologist	Dr. Burrell Wolk
Best Facial	Bliss Spa, W
Best Family Doctor	Dr. Susan Wilder
Best Fertility Doctor	Dr. Daniel Rychlik, MD, FACOG
Best Gym	
Best Hair Stylist	Erin Fink, Sachi Salon
Best Hospice	Serenity Hospice
Best Hospital Group	John C. Lincoln
Best Mani/Pedi	Teres A Nail Bar
Best Massage	Bliss Spa, W
Best OBG/YN	Dr. Tara Brodtkin
Best Orthodontist	Dr. Ben Larrabee
Best Pediatric Dentist	Desert Ridge Pediatric Dentistry
Best Psychiatrist in S	Dr. Michael Yasinski, MD
Best Resort Spa	Bliss Spa, W
Best Retirement/ Senior Living Community	Madison Meadows
Best Spray Tan	Designer Shades
Best Waxing	Bliss Spa,

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Best Yoga Studio	One Love Yoga, Grayhawk
Best Salon	Dre's Hair Salon



Home & Design

Best Appliance Store	Sub-Zero Wolf
Best Architect	Craig Wickersham, Inc.
Best Condo Development	Chateau on Central
Best Custom Cabinets	Distinctive Custom Cabinetry
Best Custom Homebuilder	Argue Custom Homes
Best Design Firm/Designer	VM Concept
Best Design Firm/Store	La Maison Interiors
Best Flooring Company	Facings of America, Inc
Best Furniture/Home Store -National	Crate & Barrel
Best Furniture/Home Store-Local	Parnian C
Best Home Accessory Store	Abode Fine Living
Best Home Theater	Cyber Sound & Security
Best Homebuilding Company	
Best Interior	Angelica

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Designer	Henry Design
Best Landscaping	
Best Lighting	Hinkley's Lighting
Best Linens	The Linen Tree
Best Luxury Rentals	Ninety Degrees
Best Master-Planned	
Best Pool Company	Mossman Brothers Pools, Inc.
Best Rug Company	Arizona Rug Company



Kids

Best Birthday Party Spots	Great Play Children's Gym
Best Kid-Friendly Hotel	Hyatt Regency
Best Kid's Clothing Store	Garage-a Body Shop for Kids
Best Kid's Entertainment Indoors	Great Play Children's Gym
Best Kid's	

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Entertainment Outdoors	
Best Kid's Restaurant	Oregano's
Best Nanny Agency	Parent's Time Out
Best Private High School	Xavier College P reparatory
Best Private or Charter School	Mesa Pre paratory Academy
Best Toy Store	Kidstop



Media

Best Anchor- Weekends	Stephanie
Best Country Radio Station	102.5 KNIX
Best Jazz Radio Station	91.5 KJZZ
Best Local News Web site	
Best Local Radio Personality	Hippie Dom, 93.3 KDKB
Best Local Radio Talk Show or DJ	Tim & Willy Show, 92.3 KTAR
Best Local Radio Talk Show or DJ- Afternoon Drive	Bootleg Kev, 98.3 KKFR
Best Local Radio Talk Show or DJ- Daytime	Mike Broo mhead, 550 KFYI
Best Local Radio Talk	My Mornings

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Show or DJ-Morning Drive	with Monti, 103.9 KEXX
Best News Station	3TV
Best Radio Station	103.9 KEXX
Best Rock Radio Station	93.3 KDKB
Best Talk News Radio Station	92.3 KTAR
Best Today's Hit Radio Station	98.7 KPKX
Best Traffic Personality	Nadine Bubeck, CBS 5
Favorite Afternoon or Evening Show	Good Evening Arizona, 3TV
Favorite Anchor Team	Sean McLaughlin & Catherine Anaya, CBS 5
Favorite Local Blog or Web site	
Favorite Local Daytime Show	Right This Minute, ABC 15
Favorite Local Morning Show	Good Morning! Arizona, 3 TV
Favorite Meteorologist or Weather Personality	Amber Sullins, ABC 15
Favorite Nightly Newscast	ABC 15 News at 10, ABC 15
Favorite Sportscaster	Tim Ring, 3 TV
Favorite TV Personality-Afternoon or Evening News-Female	Yetta Gibson, 3 TV
Favorite TV Personality-Afternoon or Evening News-Male	Steve Irvin, ABC 15
Favorite TV Personality-Morning or Daytime-Female	Kaley O'Kelley, 3 TV
Favorite TV Personality-Morning or Daytime- Male	Scott Pasmore, 3 TV
Most Fashionable News	Nadine Bubeck, KPHO TV

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Anchor-Female	(CBS 5)
Most Fashionable News Anchor-Male	Scott Pasmore, 3 TV
News Anchor of the Year	Steve Irvin, ABC 15



Nightlife & Cocktails

Best Arizona Craft Beer	Papago Brewing Company
Best Arizona Winery	Caduceus Cellars
Best Bartender	Scott Wolf, Sma shboxx
Best Biker Bar	
Best Cocktails	Blue Wasabi Sushi & Martini Bar
Best Comedy Club	Stand Up,
Best Cougar Bar	The Mint
Best Dance Music	Axis Radius
Best Dive Bar	The Closing Soon Saloon
Best Gay Bar	Kobalt
Best Happy Hour	The Mint
Best Margarita	Jimmy Buffet's M
Best Morning-After Bar	El Hefe

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Best Nightclub or Lounge	
Best Nightlife Photographer	Brian Kelly
Best Place to Stock Up on Alcohol	
Best Pool Bar	W
Best Pub and Brewskis	Papago Brewing Company
Best Speakeasy or Hidden Spot	Mabel's on Main
Best Spot for Drinking Activities	Lucky Strike Bowling
Best Wine Bar	Terroir Wine Pub
Most Beautiful People Bar	
Most Glamorous Place to Party	The Mint



People

Best Arizona Foothills Cover Model	January Issue: Caitlin Wilenchik, Face of Foothills
Best Instagram Feed	

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Best Pinterest Board	Guy Downes,
Best Twitter Picture from AZFoothillsMag Followers: Men	
Best Twitter Picture from AZFoothillsMag Followers: Women	
Favorite Couple in the Valley	Aric and Dugue Zion
Marketing Guru	Ted Anderson, Anderson
Most Fashionable in the Valley Over 30- Men	Micah Johnson, Founder and Executive of MediaStars
Most Fashionable in the Valley Over 30- Women	Fawn Cheng, Project Manager of JANI modeling
Most Fashionable in the Valley Under 30- Men	Ryan Coffin, Coffin & Trout Jewelers
Most Fashionable in the Valley Under 30- Women	Caitlin Wilenchik, Face of Foothills 2011
Most Influential in Valley Education	Sister Joan
Most Influential in Valley Food	Eddie Matney, Owner, Eddie's House
Most Influential in Valley Nonprofit	Maya
Most Influential in Valley Politics	Mayor Greg Staton, Phoenix

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Most Influential Man in the Valley	David Bruner, President, Circle Road Companies
Most Influential Woman in the Valley	Susie Wesley, P
Old Faithfuls in Food	Eddie Matney, Eddie's House
Top Celebrity Twitter	



Shopping

Best Antique, Vintage or Secondhand Store	Vintage by Misty
Best Athletic Gear	lululemon
Best Boutique-Local	Pink Zebra Boutique
Best Boutique-National or International	Tory Burch
Best Cosmetics and Skincare	Barneys New York
Best Deal Web Site	
Best Denim	Barneys New York
Best Department Store	Barneys New York
Best Discount	My

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Store	Sister's Closet
Best Fragrance Selection	Barneys New York
Best Gift Shop	Do Me a Favor
Best Glasses	Barneys New York
Best Handbags and Accessories	Barneys New York
Best Local Fashion Designer	Angela Johnson, Angela Johnson Designs
Best Local Jeweler	Hamra Jewelers
Best Local Jewelry Designer	
Best Local Jewelry Designer Female	
Best Local Jewelry Designer Male	Randy Coffin, Coffin and Trout Fine Jewelry
Best Local Watch Selection	Hamra Jewelers
Best National Jeweler	Cartier
Best Outlets or Discount Shopping Center	The Outlets at Anthem
Best Personal Shopper	Shannon Campbell
Best Pet Shop	Oh My Dog! Boutique + Spa
Best Place to Hoard Fashion & Accessories for Cheap	Forever 21
Best Record Store	Zia
Best Shoe Shopping	Barneys New York
Best Shopping Center- Indoors	
Best Shopping Center- Outdoors	Desert Ridge Marketplace
Best Swimwear Shopping	Beach Bunny Swimwear
Best Technology & Gadgets	Microsoft Store
Best Web Clothing	

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Shopping	
Best Year-Round Resortwear	Joya Boutique at



Sports

Best 19th Hole-Golf	Bernard's
Best AZ Cheerleaders or Dance Team	Arizona Di
Best Clubhouse Spa- Golf	
Best Custom Golf Clubs	Krank Golf
Best Golf Clothing & Shopping	PGA Tour
Best Golf Community	
Best Golf Course View	South Course at The Boulders Resort
Best Golf Instructor	Chris Fry, Expert Golf AZ
Best Private Golf Club	
Best Pro Golf Shop	

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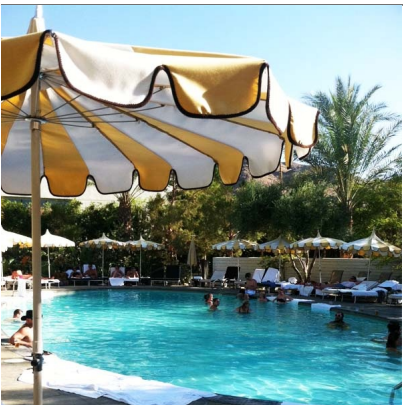
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Best Pro Sports Team	Arizona Rattlers
Best Public Golf Course	TPC
Best Sporting Event	Waste Management Open (Phoenix Open)
Best Sports Venue	
Best Spring Training Field	Salt River Fields at Talking Stick
Favorite Arizona Cardinals Player	Larry Fitzgerald
Favorite Arizona Coach	Dave Tipp
Favorite Arizona Diamondbacks Player	Aaron Hill
Favorite Arizona Rattlers Player	Nick Davila
Favorite Female Arizona College Athlete	Macey Gardner-ASU Volleyball
Favorite Female Golfer	Paige
Favorite Male Arizona College Athlete	Brandon
Favorite Male Golfer	Phil Mickelson
Favorite Phoenix Coyotes Player	Shane Doan
Favorite Phoenix Mercury Player	Penny Taylor
Favorite Phoenix Suns Player	Grant Hill
Most Challenging Golf Course	The Gold Course at Wigwam Golf Club & Spa
Most Philanthropic Athlete	Kurt Warner, First Things First

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Stay & Play

Best Casino	Talking Stick Resort and Casino
Best Dog Boarding Facility	Raintree Pet Resort
Best Downtown Phoenix Hotel	
Best Lobby Bar	Hyatt Regency
Best Movie Theatre	Harkins
Best Party Resort Pool	W
Best Relaxing Resort Pool	The Westin Kierland Resort and Spa
Best Resort	Wigwam Golf Resort & Spa
Most Luxe	The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix

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Transportation

Best Airline	
Best Car Wash	Tom's Thumb Fresh Market
Best Dealer Service- Audi	Audi North
Best Dealer Service- BMW	Chapman BMW
Best Dealer Service- Cadillac	Kachina Cadillac Hummer Saab
Best Dealer Service- Infiniti	Infiniti of Peoria
Best Dealer Service- Lexus	
Best Dealer Service- Mercedes-Benz	
Best Limo & Sweet Rides	The Driver Provider
Best Valet	American Valet

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Weddings

Best Engagement Ring Store	Coffin & Trout Fine Jewelers
Best Photographer-Weddings	Chadwick Fowler, Modern Wedding Scenes by Chadwick Fowler
Best Wedding Catering Company	Fresh from the Kitchen LLC
Best Wedding Dress Shop	Mariee
Best Wedding Florist	Petal Pusher
Best Wedding Planners	
Best Wedding Venue	Aldea Wedding