

# And the Winner is...?

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“And the Emmy goes to ... **Joe Vinci, Class of 1984**, St. Joseph High School!” This Charger keeps rolling up the credits, including three Emmy awards, as technical director on a variety of television programs. Ever since he left St. Joe’s, Joe has worked tirelessly to help produce numerous shows (see below) as he expands his expertise in an ever increasing technology-driven medium.

“I really became interested in television production when I gained experience recording St. Joe events, especially basketball games. I then went to Columbia College downtown where I gained excellent hands-on experience and I became a Television Department Assistant which was a major opportunity to be more than just a student. This advantage allowed me to showcase my work ethic with instructors who were working professionals in the broadcast market here in Chicago.” Joe formed his own company – **Vincivision** – where he freelances as a technical director specializing in sports remotes.

“‘Vincivision’ was a nickname affectionately bestowed upon me by my classmates at St. Joe’s,” Joe related. “Now I am flying across the country, broadcasting different events. I am always excited about the impact of technology, especially the Internet now, in the transmission of games, concerts and the like. It’s a very exhausting but highly rewarding profession. I believe that my passion, creativity and organizational abilities rub off on my crew and that’s very rewarding. It helps make for a perfectly clean and smooth production.”



When asked to share advice with students who may wish to follow a path similar to his, Joe suggests: “1. Once you get your foot in the door, show your boss you’re worth keeping. 2. Let your work and attitude shine bright. 3. This business dictates that you’re only as good as your last job so prove it!”

## A Selection of Joe Vinci’s Work as Technical Director

Chicago Blackhawks, White Sox & Cubs (WGN & Comcast)  
Live YouTube HD Webcasts (music festivals)  
All six Chicago Bulls championship seasons  
ESPN’s national coverage of the NHL  
E’s Talk Soup  
Farm Aid 2000  
Ellen DeGeneres Special from the Chicago Theatre  
1996 Democratic National Convention  
John Mellencamp at the Vic Theatre  
The Jerry Springer Show

## Joe Vinci’s Three Emmys

2008 Chicago Marathon (NBC)  
2006 Chicago Bulls (Comcast)  
2005 Chicago Auto Show (NBC)

***Congratulations and good luck, Joe!***