

Irwin Thompson

2006 Pulitzer Prize Winner



Senior staff photographer Irwin Thompson joined the Dallas Morning News photojournalism staff in April 1990. Before coming to Dallas, he was a staff photographer at the Times-Picayune in New Orleans (1987-90) and The News-Star in Monroe (1984-87).

Mr. Thompson has received numerous awards, including recognition from the Texas Associated Press, the Louisiana Associated Press, the Texas Headliners, the Press Club of Dallas and the National Press Photographers Association.

He was among The News' team of eight photojournalists that won the 2006 Pulitzer Prize in Breaking News Photography for their gripping images showing the pain, chaos, and suffering after Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans.

His work has been published around the world and in People Magazine, Life Magazine, TIME Magazine, U.S. News & World Report, National Geographic Magazine and Sports Illustrated.

Mr. Thompson was born in Lake Charles, LA., grew up in DeRidder, and attended DeRidder High School. He graduated in 1984 from the University of Louisiana at Monroe with a B.A. degree in photojournalism. He is the son of Mae Helen Buckley.