Irving, TX and Syracuse, NY (December 20, 2022) – The Nexstar Media Charitable Foundation and WSYR-TV NewsChannel 9, the Nexstar Media Inc. television station serving Syracuse, NY, and the surrounding area, today announced that the Foundation will donate $5,000 to the Central New York Community Foundation. The donation will be designated to the "Carrie Lazarus Fund for Extraordinary Talent."

WSYR’s Carrie Lazarus established the Fund for Extraordinary Talent in 2013 to support performing arts students in Central New York who lack the financial means to further their training. The fund helps musicians, singers, and dancers who are in financial need reach their fullest potential by funding the expenses of lessons, instruments and other special opportunities.

Ms. Lazarus spent more than 30 years on the anchor desk at NewsChannel 9 before dedicating herself full time to “Carrie Lazarus Presents: Extraordinary People and Places of Central New York,” which air several times each year on WSYR-TV.

“As we celebrate 10 Years of Extraordinary Talent and the number of individuals the Fund for Extraordinary Talent has helped over the years, it is a truly special milestone,” said Bill Evans, Vice President & General Manager of WSYR-TV. “Carrie created this fund to enrich and help the many and very talented musicians, singers and dancers who would not have the means otherwise to succeed and reach their fullest artistic potential. Giving back to the communities served by Nexstar across the country is core to the company’s mission, and we are honored that the Nexstar Media Charitable Foundation is making this donation in recognition of the deep relationship between WSYR-TV, Central New York Community Foundation, and the Carrie Lazarus Fund for Extraordinary Talent.”

“It has been a joy and a privilege to help young talent from Central New York pursue their dreams,” said Ms. Lazarus. “I am so grateful that our community has embraced these gifted and passionate children! NewsChannel 9 and Nexstar have been true partners in the Extraordinary Talent program.”

The Nexstar Media Charitable Foundation’s mission is to contribute to and work with public charities and non-profit organizations to improve the communities in which Nexstar Media and its subsidiaries do business. The foundation was originally established in 1958 and it makes donations of approximately $350,000 annually.

###
About Nexstar Media Group, Inc.
Nexstar Media Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: NXST) is a leading diversified media company that produces and distributes engaging local and national news, sports and entertainment content across television, streaming and digital platforms, including nearly 300,000 hours of original video content each year. Nexstar owns America’s largest local broadcasting group comprised of top network affiliates, with 200 owned or partner stations in 116 U.S. markets reaching 212 million people. Nexstar’s national television properties include The CW, America’s fifth major broadcast network, NewsNation, America’s fastest-growing national news and entertainment cable network reaching 70 million television homes, popular entertainment multicast networks Antenna TV and Rewind TV, and a 31.3% ownership stake in TV Food Network. The Company’s portfolio of digital assets, including The Hill and BestReviews, are collectively a Top 10 U.S. digital news and information property. In addition to delivering exceptional content and service to our communities, Nexstar provides premium multiplatform and video-on-demand advertising opportunities at scale for businesses and brands seeking to leverage the strong consumer engagement of our compelling content offering. For more information, please visit nexstar.tv.

CONTACT:
Gary Weitman
EVP and Chief Communications Officer
Nexstar Media Group, Inc.
(972) 373-8800 or gweitman@nexstar.tv