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Tom Cervone
Tom Cervone is the managing director for the Clarence Brown Theatre and has worked his way up the ranks since he graduated from UT in 1993 with an MFA in acting. He is a tireless supporter of arts education and keeping the community involved in the arts. He has either served or is serving in leadership positions for thirteen organizations that serve the arts, the university, and the community, including the Leadership Knoxville Class of 2011, the UT Cultural Affairs Board, the UT Exempt Staff Council, and the Chancellor's Administrative/Advisory Board. His nominator details his achievements, but also says that none of it truly addresses "the kind of person that Tom is: a kind and caring person who quietly does good for others without accolades."

The Volunteer Channel
The Volunteer Channel (TVC) has been providing the UT community with coverage of campus events, student programs, and information since 1998. TVC produces several weekly shows that provide students and campus organizations free air time to promote their activities. They also produce countless hours of campus announcements, promotional spots, and special programming. Every year, they host a televised debate for Student Government Association (SGA) candidates and have produced several documentaries for campus
programs like Alternative Fall Break, Orientation Leaders, and Freshmen Diaries. TVC is an educational resource for students from all majors, who learn to create television programs every year.