



A Word from the Chair: January 2025

It's early January and I am writing this column in the week following the passing of former president Jimmy Carter. It is the lull after the holidays, I'm prepping for the coming semester.



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Deadline Extended: JJCHC Submissions Due Feb. 5th

The Joint Journalism and Communication History Conference (JJCHC), co-sponsored by the American Journalism Historians Association and the History Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, is accepting submissions for the 2025 conference. Submissions will open Thursday, January 2, and the submission deadline was extended 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5th.

Read the full call [here](#).

REMINDER: Please answer poll on social media habits below!

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**Due Jan. 31: Journalism History and American Journalism
Invite Applications for Microgrants to Support Research
Related to Diversity and Media History**

Journalism History and *American Journalism* are offering a combined \$4,800 in microgrant funding to encourage research relating to the intersection of diversity and media history. The microgrants are sponsored by the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication's History Division and the American Journalism Historians Association, respectively. Topics should incorporate any of the following or an intersection of the following with media history: race/ethnicity, gender/sexuality, class, religion, disability, mental health, and/or rural populations. Topics related to public relations and advertising diversity history are also welcome.

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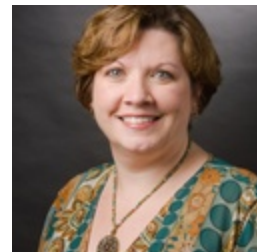
Award Call: Best Journalism and Mass Communication History Book - Due Feb. 1

The Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication's History Division is soliciting entries for its annual award for the best journalism and mass communication history book. The winning author will receive a plaque and a \$500 prize at the August 2025 AEJMC conference in San Francisco.

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Research Q&A: Seven Questions with Lisa Burns and Teri Finneman

Names: Lisa Burns and Teri Finneman University
Affiliations: Quinnipiac University, University of Kansas
Research Focus: U.S. First Ladies 1. What is the primary focus or central question (s) of your history research?
Explain. Lisa: My motivation is recovering the stories of women whose contributions have been either minimized in our collective memory or forgotten entirely.



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Call for Nominations: Donald L. Shaw Senior Scholar Award - Due Feb. 15

Nominations are open for the AEJMC History Division's 2025 Donald L. Shaw Senior Scholar Award. This division honor will recognize an individual for excellence in research on the history of journalism and mass communication. Nominees must have a minimum 15-year academic career and a record of division membership.

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Karen Miller Russell chosen as 2024 Journalism History podcast best guest

Karen Miller Russell of the University of Georgia is the winner of the 2024 Best Podcast Guest Award from Journalism History. Russell is the guest of "Episode 139: PR and Crime Novels," which released in April. It was the top-rated episode of the year, drawing over 500 downloads and transcript reads.



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