2015 Best American Journalism Article Award Announced

Mike Conway, associate professor in the Media School at Indiana University, won the 2015 Best American Journalism Article Award for “The Origins of Television’s ‘Anchor Man’: Cronkite, Swayze, and Journalism Boundary Work.”

The editors of American Journalism, the quarterly peer-reviewed academic journal of the American Journalism Historians Association, will present the award on Oct. 10, at the AJHA convention in Oklahoma City.

Conway’s article examines the history and controversy surrounding the term “anchor” in television. A grateful Conway appreciates the help that went into making this article award-worthy.

“The only reason this piece could be considered for such an honor is because both the American Journalism editors and anonymous reviewers pushed me to make it a stronger manuscript,” Conway said.

The Best Article Award honors research published in American Journalism within the last year that is original, rigorous, and makes an outstanding contribution to developing scholarship in the field of journalism and mass communication history.

Founded in 1981, the American Journalism Historians Association seeks to advance education and research in mass communication history. Members work to raise historical standards and ensure that all scholars and students recognize the vast importance of media history and apply this knowledge to the advancement of society. For more information on AJHA, visit http://www.ajhaonline.org.

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