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**AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES FIRST WINNER OF JOURNALISM HISTORY AWARD**

The American Historical Association has announced its first winner of the Eugenia M. Palmegiano Prize, which honors the best book about journalism history.

The first award will be presented in January to Amelia Bonea, author of “The News of Empire: Telegraphy, Journalism, and the Politics of Reporting in Colonial India, c. 1830-1900.”

Last year, the AHA announced it would begin recognizing outstanding scholarship in the area of journalism history and named the award after Palmegiano, who has provided the funds necessary for the prize.

Palmegiano served as president of the American Journalism Historians Association from 1998-99 and worked for many years to have journalism history recognized within the AHA, one of the world’s largest and most recognizable academic organizations.

The AHA will award the Palmegiano Prize each January. Submissions for the 2019 Palmegiano Prize are due in May. For more information on submissions, visit the [Palmegiano Prize page](#) on the AHA website.

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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