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AJHA Announces Top Papers for 2022 Conference in Memphis

The American Journalism Historians Association has honored scholars representing ten universities for research papers to be presented at the 2022 National Conference. The 41st Annual AJHA Convention will take place in Memphis Sept. 29-Oct. 1.

Gwyneth Mellinger of James Madison University won the Wm. David Sloan Award for Outstanding Faculty Paper for "Indicting the Black Press: Securing Racial Boundaries During World War II." Mellinger also received the J. William Snorgrass Award for Outstanding Paper on Minority Journalism History.

Max Fuller of the University of Wisconsin won the Robert Lance Memorial Award for Outstanding Student Paper for "Wielding the Blade: J. Anthony Josey, the Wisconsin Enterprise-Blade and the Construction of a Contemporary Black Political Identity."

Both the Maurine Beasley Award for Outstanding Paper on Women’s History and honorable mention for the Lance Award went to Ashley Walter of Penn State University for "'It Was Time That Turned Me Into a Radical': Newswomen and the Fight for Equality at Time Inc., 1970s."

W. Joseph Campbell of American University received the Wally Eberhard Award for Outstanding Paper on Media and War for "'Proto-pack Journalism' in Gettysburg's Aftermath: Parsing the Extravagant Claims of the Confederacy's 'Greatest' War Correspondent."

The following honorable mentions also were awarded:

- Sloan Award - Ken J. Ward (Pittsburg State) and Aaron Atkins (Weber State)
- Snorgrass Award - George L. Daniels (Alabama)
- Eberhard Award - William B. Anderson (Elon)
- Beasley Award - Madeleine Liseblad (Cal State Long Beach) and Thomas A. Mascaro (Bowling Green, retired)

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.