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NEW PRIZE AWAITS INTERNATIONAL AND TRANSNATIONAL JOURNALISM HISTORIANS

The AJHA Board of Directors approved a new annual prize for the best convention paper on international or transnational journalism history.

The Palmegiano Award, named after and funded by Eugenia (Jean) M. Palmegiano, aims to recognize scholarship that is comparative in scope and encourages research that crosses borders, be they geographical, cultural or technological. Palmegiano hopes the prize inspires journalism historians to widen their research beyond borders of all kinds.

“The prize recognizes the multi-dimensional nature of journalism history and attests to the ongoing openness of AJHA to expand scholarship in our field,” she said. “Given the increasing technologies for cross-cultural communication in the 21st century, investigation of its roots and development now seems particularly appropriate.”

The \$5,000 donation will be broken down into \$150 prizes annually. Palmegiano is a professor emerita of history at Saint Peter’s University.

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 ajhaonline.org.

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