



# 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Competition Fellowship Winners Announced for 2015

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**Theo Emery**  
Freelance writer  
Takoma Park, MD  
"The Birth of the U.S. Chemical  
Warfare Service."



**Randall Hyman**  
Freelance photojournalist  
St. Louis, MO  
"High Stakes at High Latitudes:  
Climate Change in the Norwegian  
Arctic."



**Brooke Jarvis**  
Freelance writer  
Seattle, WA  
"Mining the Deep: Inside the Newest  
Frontier of Mineral Extraction."



**John Johnson**  
Freelance writer  
Long Beach, CA  
"Fritz Zwicky and the Story of Dark  
Matter."



**Russ Juskalian**  
Freelance writer  
Munich, Germany  
"The Trade: Rhino Conservation in the  
21<sup>st</sup> Century."



**Amy Linn**  
Special correspondent  
Bloomberg Bureau of National Affairs  
Missoula, MT  
"Teens Who Survived Death Row:  
Life, Death and Growing Up in Prison."



**Noé Montes**  
Freelance photojournalist  
Los Angeles, CA  
"Farm workers in the Coachella  
Valley."



**Darcy Padilla**  
Freelance photojournalist  
San Francisco, CA  
"The Fallen American Dream."

## Final Judges for the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Competition:

**Sandy Close** – founder, *Pacific News Service* and *New America Media*

**Christian Davenport** – *Washington Post* reporter and APF fellow 2007

**Glenn Frankel** – former director of the School of Journalism, University of Texas at Austin and APF fellow 1998

**Robert Lee Hotz** – *Wall Street Journal* science reporter and APF Board Chairman

**Ellen Warren** – columnist and senior reporter, *The Chicago Tribune*

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Top journalists will pursue topics ranging from dark matter to the mining of the seas and the birth of the U.S. Chemical Warfare Service as the newest recipients of an Alicia Patterson Foundation grant, American journalism's oldest writing fellowship.

The annual fellowships are designed to foster independent in-depth reporting on national and international affairs. The Alicia Patterson Foundation fellowship program for journalists was established in 1965 in memory of Alicia Patterson, who was editor and publisher of *Newsday* for nearly twenty-three years before her death in 1963.

The Fellows are awarded \$40,000 for a 12-month grant and \$20,000 for a six-month grant.

The new Fellows will spend their fellowship months traveling, researching, and writing articles on their projects for the *APF REPORTER*, a quarterly web magazine published by the Foundation. Every year, the Fellows' articles and photo essays are widely distributed through newspapers, news services, magazines, and websites worldwide. Fellows' work often is published jointly with their "home" news outlet and has resulted in many national awards.

The winners were selected through a highly competitive process of screening by three panels of judges, as well as submitting detailed proposals, examples of past work, and references.

More than 330 reporters, editors, and photographers have won Alicia Patterson fellowships since the foundation was established in 1965 to honor the former publisher of *Newsday*.

The trustees of the foundation named one fellow in honor of Josephine Patterson Albright, a former *Newsday* columnist and major benefactor of the foundation. The Josephine Patterson Albright fellow is Randall Hyman, who will be examining the changing climate in the Arctic, focusing on commercial fishing, technology and adaptation to environmental damage.

For program information and applications for the 51st annual competition, contact:

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**Applications must be submitted by October 1, 2015.**