

# **Journalism Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda**

Noon, Monday, Dec. 8 [on Zoom](#) (Meeting ID: 637 579 8486)

Santa Rosa Campus, 1501 Mendocino Ave.

Garcia Hall, Rm. 106

## **Invited:**

### **Committee members (Voting):**

- Gabe Meline, online arts editor, KQED
- Karen Hart, freelance
- Greta Mart, news director, KRCB/NorCal Public Media
- Martin Espinoza, reporter, Press Democrat
- Allison Gibson, Sr. Editor, Business / Editor / North Bay Business Journal  
Sr. Editor/Multimedia and Innovation, Press Democrat
- Amie Windsor, Community Journalism Team Lead
- Yatyn Shah, publisher, Community Voice

### **Non-voting members from SRJC & SSU (invited):**

- Anne Belden, journalism faculty & Oak Leaf adviser, Santa Rosa Junior College,
- Kerry Loewen, dean II Arts, Humanities, Behavioral & Social Sciences, SRJC
- Brian Antonson, faculty, Communication Studies Department
- MacKenzie Galindo, Counseling
- Kyla Wegman, Counseling
- Kim Kinahan, Counseling
- Amanda Mansfield, Counseling
- Gina Baleria, faculty, SSU Communication & Media Studies Dept.
- Mark Fernquest, teaching assistant, SRJC
- Rachel Smith, Director, Workforce Programs and CTE Grants,  
Career/Technical/Educ/Econ/Dev

## **I. Call to order.**

## **II. Roll Call**

## **III. Introduction of all members**

## **IV. Approve minutes of Aug. 26, 2024 meeting**

## **V. Program Director's report (Anne Belden)**

- A. Report on Spring and Fall 2025 journalism classes —JOUR 1: Intro to Journalism; JOUR 2: News Gathering & Writing; JOUR 59:

Photojournalism; JOUR 5: Nonfiction digital storytelling and JOUR 56; Editing for the News Media.

- B. Oak Leaf (JOUR 52A/B/C/D: News Media Practice) general update, including budget, ad revenue, newsroom, awards, conferences
- C. CTE equipment update – marketing & equipment

#### **V. Discussion items**

- A. Press Democrat Journalism Trust disbursement of funds
  - i. Advisory committee selection of winners?
  - ii. Paid internships?
- B. Quick update on area job market, needs of news organizations, new student opportunities for internships and jobs
- C. Schedule of classes for spring and fall 2026.

#### **VI. Adjournment**

# AWARDS – 2025

## FALL 2025

### Journalism Association of Community Colleges NorCal Conference

#### On-the-spot Awards

Feature Photo, 1<sup>st</sup>: Zoë Steiner

News Writing, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rhea Bath

Feature Photo, 3<sup>rd</sup>: Lauren Kelleher

Copyediting, 4<sup>th</sup>: Lauren Kelleher

Opinion Writing, 4<sup>th</sup>: Jesse Saal

#### Publication awards

##### WRITING

Column Writing, 1<sup>st</sup>: Noah McSweeney, [Sensory Salvation](#) and [Behind Autism's mask is a unique person longing to feel included](#) (Must-reads if you work with students on the autism spectrum)

Opinion Story, 1<sup>st</sup>: Noah McSweeney, ["Mighty talking fingers to the rescue"](#)

Feature Story, 1<sup>st</sup>: Debbie Van Dyke, [Reinvention: How SRJC helps older students seek new directions](#)

Critical Review, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Natalie Emanuele, ['Good Coffee, Great Coffee': Is it that sweet? I'd say so!](#)

Profile Feature Story, 3<sup>rd</sup>: Marty Lees, [Fighting for Recognition: How AI is helping a disabled veteran challenge the DoD's denial](#)

Profile Feature Story, 4<sup>th</sup>: Yna Bollock, [Getting To Third Base: One athlete's perseverance through adversity](#)

Enterprise News Story/Series, Meritorious: Amy Elisabeth Moore, Geneviève Duboscq, Max Underdown, Cristan Molinelli-Ruberto, Adair Alvarez Rodriguez, [How will Santa Rosa Junior College protect its immigrant students under a second Trump presidency?](#);

[SRJC student organizes "A Day Without Immigrants" protest, sees a wave of support in downtown Santa Rosa;](#)

[Immigrant students and staff face the prospect of ICE raids on SRJC campus; False information amid immigration concerns makes matters worse;](#)

and [Hundreds march through downtown Santa Rosa protesting Trump administration's ICE raids](#)

## PHOTO

**Sports Action Photo, 1<sup>st</sup>:** Yna Bollock, [SRJC baseball takes first game of super regionals in 9-0 blowout](#) (cover photo of gallery at bottom of page)

**Online Photo Story/Essay, 1<sup>st</sup>:** Rosemary Cromwell, Nathan Kaito Morris and Nicholas Vides, [Views from Bottlerock 2025](#)

**Online Photo Story/Essay, 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Adair Rodriguez, [SRJC student organizes “A Day Without Immigrants” protest, sees a wave of support in downtown Santa Rosa](#)

**Sports Feature Photo, 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Yna Bollock

**Sports Feature Photo, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Nathan Kaito Morris

**News Photo, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Adair Rodriguez, [SRJC student organizes “A Day Without Immigrants” protest, sees a wave of support in downtown Santa Rosa](#) (third photo down)

**Feature Photo, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Adair Rodriguez

**Environmental Portrait, 4<sup>th</sup>:** Yna Bollock, [Getting to third base: One athlete’s perseverance through adversity](#) (top photo)

**Feature Photo, Honorable Mention:** [Views from Bottlerock 2025](#) (Benson Boone photo)

**News Photo, honorable mention,** Adair Rodriguez, [SRJC student organizes “A Day Without Immigrants” protest, sees a wave of support in downtown Santa Rosa](#) (15<sup>th</sup> photo in gallery)

## MULTIMEDIA

**Multimedia Journalism Package, Meritorious:** Lauren Kelleher and Geneviève Dubosq, [Food insecurity in Sonoma County: Hunger and action in the land of plenty](#)

**Multimedia Journalism Package, Meritorious:** Henry Fliflet and Criastan Molinelli-Ruberto, [Wine in America: Are the kids drinking enough?](#) (Story copied by Press Democrat a month later)

**Podcast/Audio News, 1<sup>st</sup>,** Jesus Lopez Cruz, [The Bordercast: Crossing the Border \(English Version\)](#)

## DESIGN

**Informational graphic, 1<sup>st</sup>:** Lauren Kelleher, [Food insecurity in Sonoma County: Hunger and action in the land of plenty](#) (grocery prices)

**Photo Illustration, 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Nathan Kaito Morris, [This life hack could pay for your college tuition](#) (top photo illustration)

**Inside page layout, 4<sup>th</sup>:** Nathan Kaito Morris and Lauren Kelleher, [Oak Leaf Magazine, Spring 2025](#) (I lost my drag virginity)

## SPRING 2025

### SPJ Region 11

1<sup>st</sup> place – investigative reporting – Emelle Raschein and Oliver Kindt

### SPJ National

**2<sup>nd</sup> place – investigative reporting** — Emelle Raschein and Oliver Kindt

### **California Newspaper Publishers Association (state)**

**Video, 4<sup>th</sup>:** Cristan Molinelli-Ruberto, Jessica Guzman Larios, “The Journey of a Quilter: Santa Rosa’s Forgotten Community spreading love, support and kindness one quilt at a time.”

**Profile story, 5<sup>th</sup>:** Lucas Cadigan-Carranza, Yna Bollock, “Finding Their Stride: “The history and people of SRJC’s dance program”

**News Photo, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Yna Bollock, “Santa Rosa Junior College hosts Día de Muertos event

**News Photo, 4<sup>th</sup>:** Nathan Kaito Morris, Election night coverage”

**Local Election coverage, 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Tara Thompson, Kathryn Mauck, “Study Abroad students offer unique view on gun control issue & election”

**Local Election Coverage, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Emelle Raschein, Jordan Garcia, Henry Fliflet, Hana Seals, Elliott Kennedy, Yna Bollock, Nathan Morris, Oak Leaf Staff, Local election measures – Measure J and Measure FF

**Feature Photo, 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Yna Bollock, “SRJC’s ‘The Rocky Horror Show’: Don’t Dream It. See it!”

**Enterprise News, 4<sup>th</sup>:** Oliver Kindt, Emelle Raschein, “Problems at Poly Hall”

**Coverage of Student Government and Campus Administration, 1<sup>st</sup>:** Amy Moore, “Ag Dean controversy – two stories”

**Best Podcast, 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Kevin Terlizzi-Bowes, Lucas Cadigan-carranza, “By the Fireside, Episode 1”

**Best Podcast, 5<sup>th</sup>:** Arlo Connally Stewart, “That time I got sniffed by a bear”

### **Journalism Association of Community Colleges (State Conference)**

#### **MAGAZINE**

**Magazine Cover Design – Fourth Place** – [Sam Guzman](#), [Rosemary Cromwell](#)

**Magazine News Feature (Non-Profile) – First Place** – [Emelle Raschein](#), [Oliver Kindt](#)

**Magazine Opinion Article – Honorable Mention** – [Henry Fliflet](#)

#### **MULTIMEDIA**

**Online Photo Story/Essay – Honorable Mention** – [Nathan Kaito Morris](#), [Yna Bollock](#)

**Video Hard News Reporting – Fourth Place** – [Bryan Fructuoso](#), [Leilany Sosa](#)

**Video Hard News Reporting – Honorable Mention** – Liam Molino, Alexa Aguila Gutierrez

#### **NEWSPAPER WRITING**

**Column Writing – Honorable Mention** – [Emelle Raschein](#)

**Feature Story (Non-Profile) – Fourth Place** – [Tara Thompson](#), Kathryn Mauck

**Feature Story (Non-Profile) – Honorable Mention** – [Amy Moore](#)

**Opinion Story – Fourth Place** – [Cristan Molinelli-Ruberto](#)

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

**Sports Feature Photo – 1st – [Yna Bollock](#)**

**Feature Photo – 2nd – [Yna Bollock](#)**

**Environmental Portrait – 3rd – [Yna Bollock](#)**

## **GENERAL EXCELLENCE**

**Magazine General Excellence – Meritorious – The Oak Leaf Magazine Staff**

**Online General Excellence – Meritorious – [The Oak Leaf Staff](#)**

**Digital Pacesetter – [The Oak Leaf Staff](#)**

## **ON-THE-SPOT AWARDS**

**News Writing – Honorable Mention – [Emelle Raschein](#)**

**Critical Review – 2nd – [Natalie Emanuele](#)**

**Critical Review – Honorable Mention – [Marty Lees](#)**

**Feature Writing – Honorable Mention – [Zoe Steiner](#)**

**Opinion Writing – 2nd – [Marty Lees](#)**

**Audio News – 4th – [Kevin Terlizzi-Bowes](#)**

**Copy Editing – Honorable Mention – [Lucas Cadigan-Carranza](#)**

**Sports Writing – 1st – [Oliver Kindt](#)**

**Sports Writing – 4th – [Nathan Kaito Morris](#)**

**News Photo – 1st – [Adair Alvarez-Rodriguez](#)**

**Environmental Portrait – 4th – [Yna Bollock](#)**

**Sports Photo – Honorable Mention – [Yna Bollock](#)**