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1994-95 Center fellows

Thirteen media professionals and scholars have been awarded Center fellowships for the academic year 1994-95. Each is pictured below, with the title of his or her research project. Former Fellow Ken Auletta returns for the fall semester to continue research for a book on the future of communications.

Senior fellows



Richard Clurman, author and former chief of correspondents, Time-Life News Service. "The Power and the People of the *Wall Street Journal*."



Richard Heffner, chairman, the film Classification and Rating Administration; producer and moderator, "The Open Mind." "Self-Restraint and Free Expression in the Market-Driven Mass Media: Experience From the Movie Industry."



Victor Navasky, editor-in-chief, the *Nation*; currently on leave as a visiting fellow at Harvard University's Institute of Politics. "The Journal of Opinion: Eighteenth-Century Relic or Counterforce to the Mass Media?"



Elizabeth Smith, controller (U.S. title equivalent: executive vice president for news), English Services, BBC World Service. "Cross-Frontier Broadcasting: U.S. Priorities in the International Arena."

Fellows



Larry Amsel, M.D., National Institute of Mental Health Psychiatric Research Methodology Fellow, Columbia University School of Public Health. "The New Medicine Show: The Role of the Media in Health Care Reform."



Ken Auletta, author and "Annals of Communication" columnist, the *New Yorker*. "The Future of Communications."



Andrew Leckey, financial reporter and syndicated columnist, *Chicago Tribune*. "Roadblocks on the Information Superhighway: Who Will Profit and Who Will Lose."



Steven Levy, author, *Macworld* columnist, and contributing writer, *Wired*. "The New Code Wars: Privacy vs. Secrecy in the Digital Society."



Eli Noam, director, Institute for Tele-Information, and professor of economics, Columbia University. "The Last Bottleneck of the Information Revolution: Competing for Attention Span."

Research fellows



Amy Adler, litigation associate, Debevoise & Plimpton. "Whose Left? The Media, Pornography and the New Censorship."



Nixon Kariithi, assistant editor, the *Economic Review* (Kenya). "Questioning the Policy-Maker: The Role of Mass Media in Shaping Africa's Economic Future."



Marion Rodgers, biographer and H.L. Mencken scholar. "H.L. Mencken: A Life, An Interpretative Biography."



Barbie Zelizer, assistant professor, department of rhetoric and communication, Temple University. "The Image, the Word and the Holocaust."



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The fellows

Mark Alleyne will provide political analysis for the Caribbean News Agency of the United Nation's Global Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held in Barbados, April 25-May 6.

Sig Gissler has been appointed a teaching fellow for the 1994 AEJMC-Freedom Forum Workshop to be held at Indiana University from June 26-July 2.

J. Kendrick Noble will give a lecture on trends in media ownership to New York University journalism students, May 4.

Donald Shriver Jr. was an invited guest and respondent at the Annenberg conference on "Religion and Television in the 21st Century," in Philadelphia, April 22-23.

FORMER FELLOWS

Wolfgang Donsbach, '89-'90, spoke on the difference in campaign spots of political candidates in Germany and the United States at a television symposium in Wiesbaden, Germany, April 28.

John C. Merrill's, '86-'87, newest book, *Legacy of Wisdom: Great Thinkers and Journalism*, will be published by Iowa State University Press in June.

Adam C. Powell III, '90-'91, participates in a conference on the future of media analysis on public television, in New York, May 11.

Frederick Williams, '90-'91, will address the fourth annual symposium on video communications at Stanford University on the topic of media, democracy and the information highway, May 17.

Staff notes

Everette Dennis will speak about "Mapping and Understanding the Coming Information Superhighway" for a forum on "The Global Networking Society" at the Universidad Complutense in Madrid, May 9-11.

John Pavlik served as a media observer for the upcoming elections in Kiev, Ukraine, as part of a Freedom House project, April 23-30.

Jane D. Coleman, the Center's long-time associate director who left in 1993 to join public station KNPB, in Reno, Nev., has been named president and CEO of WITF Inc. in Harrisburg, Pa. WITF encompasses a public radio and TV station, a statewide radio network, a magazine and a satellite teleconferencing business.

May

- 4 In-house seminar: **Donna Demac**, fellow. "Copyright and the New Electronic Media."
- 5 In-house seminar: **John Tierney**, fellow. "The Planet and the Press."
- 6 Press briefing on "The Presidency in the New Media Age," the spring 1994 *Media Studies Journal*, at The Freedom Forum, in Arlington, Va.
- 11 In-house seminar: **Mark Alleyne**, research fellow. "The Political Economy of Communication in International Relations."
- University Seminar on Communications & Society:
"History in Today's Headlines: How the Media Uncover the Past in Japan and Europe."
- 18 In-house seminar: **Alan Brinkley**, fellow. "A Biography of Henry Luce."
- 19 In-house seminar: **Dai Qing**, research fellow. "From Seeker of Freedom to Party Mouthpiece: How Modern Journalism in China Was Cut Short."
- 25 In-house seminar: **James Clad**, fellow. "The Impact of Western Media in Asia."
- 26 In-house seminar: **J. Kendrick Noble**, fellow. "U.S. Daily Newspapers, 1958-2000."



Former fellows serve as media commentators

Center alumni have pursued a variety of professional activities following their fellowships, and several have become media critics and commentators. They include:

• **Ken Auletta**, who writes the "Annals of Communication" column for the *New Yorker*;

• **Bernard Kalb**, who hosts the CNN show "Reliable Sources";

• **John Corry**, whose column, "Presswatch," appears in the *American Spectator*;

• **Leo Bogart**, who contributes commentary on the newspaper business for *Presstime*;

• **Reuven Frank**, who is the "On Television" columnist for the *New Leader*;

• **Thomas Winship**, whose column "The New Curmudgeon" appears in *Editor & Publisher*; and

• **Jeff Greenfield**, a political correspondent for ABC News and a syndicated columnist who often comments on media performance.