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2022 Professional Development Fellowship Recipients Announced

(Vancouver, B.C.) -- The Jack Webster Foundation is pleased to announce four recipients of Professional Development Fellowships for 2022.



**Kelsie Kilawna, of Vernon B.C.
Cultural Editor/Senior Aunty
IndigiNews**

Ms. Kilawna's Fellowship affords her the opportunity to take part in the Poynter Institute's Leadership Academy for Women in Media. Ms. Kilawna's Fellowship is in the name of the late B.C. reporter, Don Matheson, whose estate endowed professional development awards for B.C. born journalists.



**(Photo Credit: Philp McLachlan)
Shalu Mehta of Victoria, B.C.
Lead Reporter, The Discourse**

Ms. Mehta's Fellowship will afford her the opportunity to take part in the Poynter Institute's course, Lead with Influence.



Janis Cleugh, of Coquitlam B.C.

Reporter/Copy Editor/Paginator, Certified Professional Proofreader, Tri-City News

Ms. Cleugh's Fellowship will see her taking part in the Poynter Institute's course, Writing Online Headlines: SEO and Beyond.



Nora O'Malley of Ucluelet B.C.

Reporter, Photojournalist, The Westerly News

Ms. O'Malley will take part in the Poynter Institute's course, Will Work for Impact: Fundamentals of Investigative Journalism.

Each year the Jack Webster Foundation issues a call for submissions from working journalists and journalism educators, across the province of British Columbia, for Professional Development Fellowships. The submissions are reviewed, and a determined number of awards are provided to deserving applicants for Fellowships in the form of cash awards to pay for and provide short term professional development opportunities that can enhance and advance one's career in journalism. Since 2001 the Foundation has provided 93 Fellowships. The call for submissions for 2023 Professional Development Fellowships will again take place in January of 2023.

The Jack Webster Foundation was established in 1986, upon the retirement of its namesake, who was Western Canada's best-known and most influential reporter, in order to foster and celebrate excellence in journalism, protect the public interest for British Columbian's, and create a community where trusted outstanding journalism thrives.

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