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The Providence Journal Charitable Legacy Fund  
for its continued support of the  
New England First Amendment Institute.

This year's program is provided in large part due to the  
fund's dedication to improving the quality of journalism  
throughout the region and to offering our 2018 Fellows the  
tools and knowledge needed to become stronger watchdogs.

On behalf of NEFAC, thank you.



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Andreozzi, Romano  
at top of QB class  
SPORTS, B1



Damon shines  
in 'The Martian'  
MOVIES, C1

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**TODAY** **SAT** **SUN**  
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Complete forecast, B6

R.I. ECONOMY

## Millennials priced out of housing market

Young adults earn less, form fewer households than older groups

By Christine Dunn  
Journal Staff Writer

households than their peer age group did in 2000," HousingWorks reported as part of its 2015 Housing Fact Book, an annual analysis

Island, \$14,509 in a recent U.S. Census Bureau estimate, is much too low to rent affordably even the average-priced one-bed-

**Millennials in R.I.**

(Residents aged 18 to 34)  
24 percent of the population  
15 percent of the households  
\$14,509 - median personal income

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Dear NEFAI 2018 Fellow,

Congratulations on being selected to attend this year's New England First Amendment Institute. Since 2011, we have provided this exclusive annual three-day investigative journalism training to some of the best and brightest journalists in the region.

You are in very good company.

Previous Fellows have taken what they've learned at NEFAI and helped their newsrooms break compelling investigatory news stories. NEFAI 2017 Fellow Collin Binkley, for example, said the Institute helped him "increase the chances of getting the records I want and to prevent public agencies from playing semantics games to avoid disclosure." Binkley will speak on Day Two about his projects, including a report on the lack of data tracking suicides on college campuses and his effort to obtain data from Massachusetts officials on how often students are physically restrained in schools. Nicole Dungca, who attended NEFAI 2015, will speak about her work as part of The Boston Globe's Spotlight Team. Dungca and her colleagues last year reported an ambitious several-story series on racism in Boston. Binkley and Dungca will be joined by NEFAI 2017 Fellow Diana Pinzon of WPRI in Providence. Pinzon will discuss how she uses the Rhode Island public records law to report stories on urban blight, commercial development and the justice system, among other important issues.

In all, 35 elite reporters, editors, media attorneys and FOI experts volunteered their time this year to help you write your own success stories.

For the next three days we will be working together to become stronger and more aggressive watchdogs. We will hear each other's experiences, our successes and failures, and take the lessons we learn back to our newsrooms to share with colleagues. We will fight relentlessly for information and report stories the public needs to know. We will inform our communities in new and compelling ways. We will remind our readers, viewers and listeners why watchdog journalism is needed now more than ever.

Congrats again on being selected as a 2018 New England First Amendment Institute Fellow. Please let me know if there is anything we can do to help you accomplish your goals during the next three days. I wish you a very productive Institute.

Sincerely,

**Justin Silverman**  
*Executive Director*

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# About the New England First Amendment Institute

## WHAT IS NEFAI?

The New England First Amendment Institute is an intensive training course for working journalists on freedom of information laws and investigative techniques now in its eighth year. By bringing together highly acclaimed media lawyers and award-winning journalists, we offer our 25 Fellows a rich and collegial training program to help them improve their watchdog journalism.

## WHY IS IT NEEDED?

We believe that the media — newspapers, television, radio and online journalism — are part of the fabric of our culture in important ways. However, media hampered by fewer investigative resources to tackle the real needs of our society — education, health care, economic development, affordable housing and public safety, among others — will not be effective in connecting people to civic life or serving as a vehicle for social betterment. Particularly suffering from the economic forces of our times are smaller media outlets, where the economic downturn has significantly reduced staffing and eliminated training budgets. Enter the New England First Amendment Institute, a non-profit educational endeavor created to offer a rigorous, intensive and tuition-free training course that media organizations desperately need for their staffs but cannot provide and do not have the manpower to organize.

## ABOUT OUR HOST

Northeastern University is generously providing a home for NEFAI 2018. For more than 40 years, the university's School of Journalism has combined academic excellence with practical experience, preparing students to be analytical thinkers and successful communicators. The New England First Amendment Coalition is extremely grateful for Northeastern's assistance and contributions to the Institute. We encourage you to learn more about the university by visiting [www.northeastern.edu](http://www.northeastern.edu).

## SOCIAL MEDIA

While at the Institute, please share what you learn via Twitter and other social media using the following hashtag: **#NEFAI2018**. Please also subscribe to NEFAI's newsletters at [tinyurl.com/nefac](http://tinyurl.com/nefac)—subscribe and connect with our coalition in the following ways:

 [@FiveFreedom](https://twitter.com/FiveFreedom)

 [www.tinyurl.com/nefa linkedin](http://www.tinyurl.com/nefa linkedin)

 [www.facebook.com/nefac.org](http://www.facebook.com/nefac.org)

## James W. Foley Scholarship

The New England First Amendment Coalition established the James W. Foley Scholarship in February 2015 to honor the slain journalist and New Hampshire native. A seasoned war correspondent for Boston-based GlobalPost, James Foley committed himself to the truth and, in his words, “exposing untold stories.” While working in Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya and Syria, Foley reported on the lives of those disadvantaged and suffering. His barbaric death in 2014 reminded the nation of the dangers of his craft and the threats against freedom of information.

According to the James W. Foley Foundation:

James W. Foley envisioned a world that respects the dignity and life of each person, regardless of socioeconomic status, cultural background or nationality. His life demonstrated an uncompromising commitment to the freedom of the press and to advocacy for basic human rights.

In honor of Foley, NEFAI's James W. Foley Scholarship provides funding for one Fellow to attend the Institute without travel or lodging expenses. To learn more about Foley and the organization his family founded in his name, please visit [www.jamesfoleyfoundation.org](http://www.jamesfoleyfoundation.org).

### *Scholarship Recipients*

**2018** | Joe Glauber, WMTW-Portland (Maine)

**2017** | Caitlin Andrews, Concord Monitor

**2016** | Katie Jickling, Herald of Randolph (Vt.)

**2015** | Nate Holst, WMTW-Portland (Maine)



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# Former Fellows

## CONNECTICUT

2011

**Richard Campbell**  
The Register Citizen

**Jenna Cho**

The Day

**JC Reindl**

The Day

**Alexandra Sanders**

New Haven Register

**Julie Stagis**

Hartford Courant

2012

**Shawn Beals**

Hartford Courant

**Beau Berman**

WTIC-TV

**Alexander Goldstein**

The Day

**Kevin Litten**

Republican-American

**Erin Logan**

WTNH

**Francine Silverman**

Hearst Newspapers

2013

**Lisa Backus**

The Bristol Press

**Jenna Carlesso**

Hartford Courant

**Tina Detelj**

WTNH

**Jessica Glenza**

The Register Citizen

**Maggie Gordon**

Hearst Newspapers

**David Iversen**

WTNH

**Alec Johnson**

Republican-American

**Viktorija Sundqvist**

The Middletown Press

2014

**Jason Bagley**

TruthInAdvertising.org

**Kelly Catalfamo**

The Day

**Jennifer Swift**

New Haven Register

**Tess Townsend**

The Day

2015

**Lindsay Boyle**

The Day

**Suzanne Carlson**

Hartford Courant

**Susan Haigh**

The Associated Press

**Esteban Hernandez**

New Haven Register

**Patrick Skahill**

WNPR-Connecticut

2016

**Julia Bergman**

The Day

**Anna Bisaro**

New Haven Register

**Mikaela Porter**

Hartford Courant

2017

**Stephen Busemeyer**

Hartford Courant

**Jill Konopka**

WVIT-Hartford

**Kaitlyn Krasselt**

Norwalk Hour

**Martha Shanahan**

The Day

## MAINE

2011

**Susan Cover**

Maine Today

**Emily Guerin**

The Forecaster

**Jesse Nankin**

Watchdog

New England

**Eric Russell**

Bangor Daily News

2012

**Will Graff**

The Forecaster

**Lindsay Tice**

Sun Journal

2013

**Matthew Curren**

WGME

**David Harry**

The Forecaster

2014

**Jon Chrisos**

CBS13/Fox23

**Michael Shepherd**

Kennebec Journal

2015

**Jordan Bailey**

Courier Publications

**Nate Holst**

WMTW-Portland

**David Sherwood**

Maine Center for

Public Interest

Reporting

2016

**Matthew Daigle**

Sun Journal

**Stephanie Grinnell**

The Republican

Journal

**Kyle Jones**

WMTW News

**Joshua Moore**

Maine Center for

Public Interest

Reporting

**Marina Villeneuve**

Associated Press

2017

**Abigail Adams**

Lincoln County News

**Charles Eichacker**

Kennebec Journal

**Callie Ferguson**

The Forecaster

## MASSACHUSETTS

2011

**Keith Eddings**

Eagle-Tribune

**Jim Haddadin**

Arlington Advocate

**Laura Hutchinson**

WWLP 22News

**Lyle Moran**

Lowell Sun

**David Riley**

MetroWest Daily News

**Rory Schuler**

Taunton Daily

**Matthew Stout**

The Enterprise

2012

**Alex Bloom**

The Enterprise

**George Brennan**

Cape Cod Times

**Deirdre Fernandes**

The Boston Globe

**David Eisenstadter**

The Transcript

**Sarah Favot**

Lowell Sun

**Martine Powers**

The Boston Globe

**Patrick Ronan**

Patriot Ledger

**Shaun Sutner**

Worcester

Telegram & Gazette

**Ryan Walsh**

WWLP

2013

**Doug Fraser**

Cape Cod Times

**Wes Lowery**

The Boston Globe

**Joshua Miller**

The Boston Globe

**Shawn Musgrave**

MuckRock

**Neena Pathak**

Schuster Institute

**Neal Simpson**

The Patriot Ledger

**Schuyler Velasco**

Christian

Science Monitor

2014

**Sean F. Driscoll**

Cape Cod Times

**Beryl Lipton**

MuckRock

**Priyanka McCluskey**

The Boston Globe

**Alexa Mills**

The Boston Globe

**Alex Ruppenthal**

Medford Transcript

**Eli Sherman**

Waltham News Tribune

2015

**Samantha Allen**

Worcester

Telegram & Gazette

**Jonathan Dame**

GateHouse Media

**Nicole Dunga**

The Boston Globe

**Jenna Fisher**

GateHouse Media

**Allison Manning**

Boston.com

**Jordan Mayblum**

Wellesley Townsman

**Jan Ransom**

The Boston Globe

2016

**Zeninjon Enwemeka**

WBUR

**Jordan Frias**

Boston Herald

**Phil Marcelo**

Associated Press

**Tom Relihan**

The Recorder

**Susan Spencer**

Worcester

Telegram & Gazette

**Gerry Tuoti**

Gatehouse Media

2017

**Collin Binkley**

Associated Press

**Amanda Drane**

Berkshire Eagle

**Melissa Hanson**

MassLive

**Brad Petrishen**

Telegram & Gazette

**Greg Ryan**

Boston Business

Journal

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

2011

**Joseph Cote**

Nashua Telegraph

**Mark Davis**

Valley News

**Maddie Hanna**

Concord Monitor

2012

**Maggie Cassidy**

Valley News

**Maryalice Gill**

Nashua Telegraph

**Meg Heckman**

Concord Monitor

**Annmari Timmins**

Concord Monitor

2013

**Todd Bookman**

NH Public Radio

**Sarah Brubeck**

Valley News

**Christopher Garofolo**

Eagle Times

**Kathryn Marchocki**

NH Union Leader

**Kaitlin Mulhere**

The Keene Sentinel

2014

**Emily Corwin**

NH Public Radio

**Alyssa Dandrea**

The Keene Sentinel

**Nora Doyle-Burr**

Valley News

**Peter McGuire**

Forecaster Newspapers

**Kerry Miller**

Eagle Times

2015

**Jeremy Blackman**

Concord Monitor

**Megan Doyle**

Concord Monitor

**Rob Wolfe**

Valley News

2016

**Peter Biello**

NH Public Radio

**Tim Camerato**

Valley News

**Meghan Foley**

The Keene Sentinel

**Allie Morris**

Concord Monitor

**Ella Nilsen**

Concord Monitor

2017

**Caitlin Andrews**

Concord Monitor

**Allison DeAngelis**

Eagle-Tribune

**Casey McDermott**

NHPR

**Paige Sutherland**

NHPR

## RHODE ISLAND

2011

**Amanda Milkovits**

Providence Journal

**David Scharfenberg**

Providence Phoenix

**Karen Ziner**

Providence Journal

2012

**Lynn Arditi**

Providence Journal

**Ian Donniss**

RI Public Radio

**Kathleen Mulvaney**

Providence Journal

2013

**Bill Malinowski**

Providence Journal

**Mark Reynolds**

Providence Journal

2014

## Locations



### NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

*360 Huntington Avenue, Boston*

Unless otherwise noted in the schedule, all New England First Amendment Institute sessions will occur at the Egan Engineering and Science Research Center (60) and the Curry Student Center (50). Parking will be provided on Sept. 16 and Sept. 18 at the Gainsborough Garage (45) and Renaissance Garage (62).

### MAGGIANO'S LITTLE ITALY

*4 Columbus Avenue, Boston*

### LINCOLN TAVERN & RESTAURANT

*425 West Broadway, South Boston*

### MARRIOTT COURTYARD

*63R Boston Street, Boston*

## The Academy of New England Journalists

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### The New England First Amendment Institute

Congratulations to the 2018 First Amendment Institute fellows, who are among the very best and brightest journalists in our six-state region.

The first-class training provided at the Institute is an investment in New England's newsrooms. There has never been a more critical time for journalists to dig deep in order to keep those in power honest and accountable to the voters and taxpayers. That's what organizations like NEFAC and the Academy are all about.

***William B. Ketter***, Chairman  
*Academy of New England Journalists*



Founded in 1960, the Academy of New England Journalists honors -- with the ***Yankee Quill Award*** -- those journalists from the region who have made extraordinary contributions to a free press and the welfare of their communities. Each year the Academy's Selection Committee, which is comprised of past Quill winners and representatives of New England journalism organizations, select recipients of the award.

The Yankee Quill is the highest honor bestowed on journalists in our region, recognizing the lifetime achievement of those who have had a broad influence for good, both inside and outside the newsroom.

## Schedule — September 16

### DAY ONE

#### The Value of Transparency

 Shuttle Available  
Hotel → Restaurant 7 p.m.  
Restaurant → Hotel 9:30 p.m.

**2:00 Registration** [Egan Hall - Raytheon Amphitheater]

**2:45 - 4:00 Keynote Address** [Egan Hall - Raytheon Amphitheater]

Stephanie McCrummen | The Washington Post

Introduction: Karen Bordeleau | Emerson College, The Providence Journal (retired)

**4:00 - 4:15 Break**

**4:15 - 6:00 Panel: Tales from the Trenches** [Egan Hall - Raytheon Amphitheater]

*Panelists will share their practical experience in investigative work through painstaking interviewing and use of freedom of information laws to unearth corruption and bring truth to light.*

Mike Beaudet | WCVB-Boston, Northeastern University

Jennifer Bjorhus | Star Tribune (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Michael Kilian | Burlington Free Press

Moderator: Karen Bordeleau | Emerson College, The Providence Journal (retired)

**7:30 Dinner** [Off-Site — Maggiano's Little Italy]

Dinner will be served at Maggiano's Little Italy, 4 Columbus Avenue in Boston. A shuttle will be provided from the institute hotel to the restaurant at 7 p.m. and from the restaurant back to the hotel at 9:30 p.m.

## Schedule — September 17

### DAY TWO

#### How Do We Harness FOI Laws and Public Data to Further Investigations?

 Shuttle Available  
Hotel → Institute 7:30 a.m.  
Institute → Restaurant 4 p.m.  
Restaurant → Hotel 8:30 p.m.

**8:15 - 8:30 Announcements** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]

**8:30 - 9:30 Pitfalls in Accessing Documents Through FOI Requests and How to Respond** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]

Jenifer McKim | New England Center for Investigative Reporting

Cheryl W. Thompson | George Washington University, Contributing Investigative Reporter for The Washington Post

Tim White | WPRI-Providence

Moderator: Karen Bordeleau | Emerson College, The Providence Journal (retired)

**9:30 - 9:45 Break**

## Schedule — September 17

**9:45 - 10:45** **Tips for Staying Out of Legal Trouble: Common Issues in Defamation and Invasion of Privacy** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]

Robert A. Bertsche | Prince Lobel Tye, LLP  
Gregory V. Sullivan | Malloy & Sullivan

**10:45 - 11:15** **Break**

**11:15 - 1:15** **Break-Out Sessions A**

*The specifics of each state's public records and open meeting laws will be discussed and hands-on cases will be reviewed in break-out sessions with knowledgeable attorneys and journalists from each state.*

Connecticut [Curry Student Center - Room 340]  
James H. Smith | New England First Amendment Coalition  
Mary Schwind | Connecticut Freedom of Information Commission

Maine [Curry Student Center - McLeod Suites]  
Dieter Bradbury | Portland Press Herald  
Sigmund Schutz | PretiFlaherty

Massachusetts [Curry Student Center - McLeod Suites]  
Peter J. Caruso, Sr. | Caruso and Caruso, LLP  
Todd Wallack | The Boston Globe

New Hampshire [Curry Student Center - Room 346]  
Rick Gagliuso | Gagliuso and Gagliuso, PA

Rhode Island [Curry Student Center - McLeod Suites]  
Raymond A. Marcaccio | Oliverio & Marcaccio, LLP  
Amanda Milkovits | The Providence Journal

Vermont [Curry Student Center - Room 346]  
Michael Donoghue | Vermont Press Association  
Lia Ernst | American Civil Liberties Union of Vermont

12:15 Lunch [Served in Curry Student Center - Room 333]

**1:15 - 1:30** **Break**

**1:30 - 2:30** **Thinking Through a Story From Hunch to Headline While Using Available Databases**  
[Curry Student Center - Room 333]

Allison Jarmanning | WBUR-Boston

**2:30 - 2:45** **Break**

**2:45 - 3:45** **Former Fellows Panel** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]

Collin Binkley | The Associated Press  
Nicole Dungca | The Boston Globe  
Diana Pinzon | WPRI-Providence

Moderator: Michael Donoghue | Vermont Press Association

## Schedule — September 17-18

**4:45 - 8:30 (or later)** **Dinner and Presentation** [Off-Site – Lincoln Tavern & Restaurant]  
Dinner will be served at Lincoln Tavern & Restaurant, 425 W. Broadway in South Boston. Shuttles will be provided for those who need transportation from the Institute to the restaurant. A shuttle will also be provided from the restaurant to the Institute hotel at 8:30 p.m. though you are welcome to stay later.

5:15 - 6:15 Featured Speaker  
Terence Smith | Contributing Columnist for Capital Gazette (Md.)

6:15 Dinner

## DAY THREE

### Digging Deeply and Listening Carefully

**8:15 - 8:30** **Announcements** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]

**8:30 - 10:00** **Panel: Effective Sourcing** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]  
*When your FOI request languishes your reporting continues. Developing sources, relationships, knowing how to evaluate what you get.*

Cindy Galli | ABC News  
Eric Moskowitz | The Boston Globe  
Emilie Munson | Hearst Connecticut

Moderator: Michael Donoghue | Vermont Press Association

**10:00 - 10:15** **Break**

**10:15 - 12:15** **Break-Out Sessions B**  
*Using database technology to analyze publicly available or FOI-request-won data to understand societal, financial, and economic trends is an important tool for the seasoned reporter.*

Basic Database Analysis [Curry Student Center - Room 333]  
Brooke Williams | Boston University  
Samata Joshi | Boston University

Advanced Database Analysis [Curry Student Center - Room 346]  
Matt Kauffman | Hartford Courant

**12:15 - 1:45** **Lunch** [Curry Student Center - McCleod Suites]

12:45 Featured Speaker  
David Cuillier | The University of Arizona

**1:45 - 2:30** **Photo/Break**

**2:30 - 3:30** **Break-Out Sessions C**

The Confrontational Interview & Transition to Audio or Video [Curry Student Center - Room 333]  
Eric Rasmussen | Boston 25 News

Writing Workshop and Narrative Flow [Curry Student Center - Room 333]  
Jeff Howe | Northeastern University

**3:30 - 3:45** **Concluding Remarks** [Curry Student Center - Room 333]

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organization and will help this year's  
New England First Amendment Institute  
become the most successful yet.

Thank you.



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First Amendment Coalition

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John Adams, Vice President of the United States, and President of

# NEFAI 2018 Featured Speakers

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



**STEPHANIE  
McCRUMMEN**  
The Washington Post

**S**tephanie McCrummen is a national enterprise reporter for The Washington Post, specializing in long-form narratives. She was a leading member of the team that won the 2018 Pulitzer Prize for Investigative Reporting for coverage of the U.S. Senate candidate Roy Moore, which included exposing an attempted sting aimed at undermining the work. The Roy Moore coverage also won a George Polk award for Political Reporting and the Robin Toner Prize for National Reporting. Prior to joining the national staff, McCrummen was the paper's East Africa bureau chief.

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**DAVID CUIILLIER**  
University of Arizona  
School of Journalism

**D**avid Cuillier, Ph.D., is an associate professor at the University of Arizona School of Journalism, where he researches and teaches access to government information. Previously, he was a reporter and editor at newspapers in the Pacific Northwest. He has testified several times before Congress regarding FOIA, serves on the National Freedom of Information Coalition board, is a former Society of Professional Journalists president, and co-authored "The Art of Access: Strategies for Acquiring Public Records."

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## BOSTON. RACISM. IMAGE. REALITY.

It is the hardest question hurled our way: Is this a racist city? The insult is one we want badly to reject. But a Spotlight Team investigation finds it is still far too hard to be black in Boston, with stark inequities in opportunity and power.

*The series was reported by Abimah Johnson, Todd Wallace, Nicole Dungen, Liz Kowalski, Andrew Ryan, Adrian Walker, and editor Patricia Wren. Today's story was written by Johnson.*



**G**oogle the phrase "Most racist city" and Boston pops up more than any other place, time and time again. It may be easy to write that off as a meaningless digital snapshot of what people say about us, and what we say about ourselves — proof of little beyond the dated (or, hopefully, outdated) memories of Boston's public and fierce school desegregation battles of the 1970s. Except that Boston's reputation problem goes much deeper than an online search. A national survey commissioned by the Globe this fall found that among eight major cities, black people ranked Boston as least welcoming to people of color. More than half — 54 percent — rated Boston as unwelcoming. Little wonder that some comedians and athletes take aim at Boston, like Michael Che of "Saturday Night Live" this year telling a global TV audience that we "the most racist city I've ever been to." Or HBO's John Oliver suggesting that it took this summer's anti-rigidity march on Boston Common to finally make Boston "unracist." The reputation is real, and pervasive — but, most important, is it deserved? The Globe Spotlight Team analyzed data. **RACE, Page A12**

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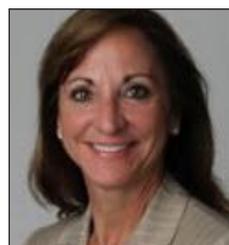
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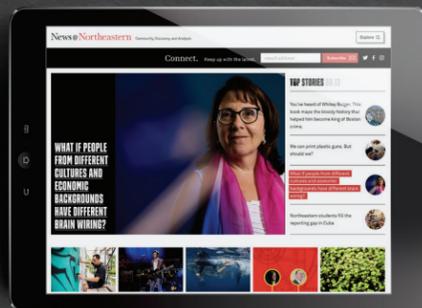
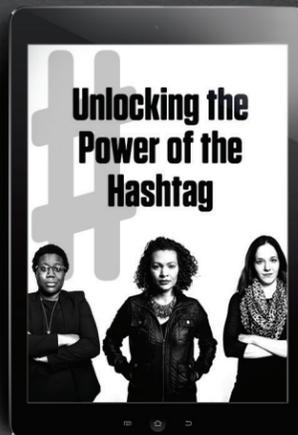
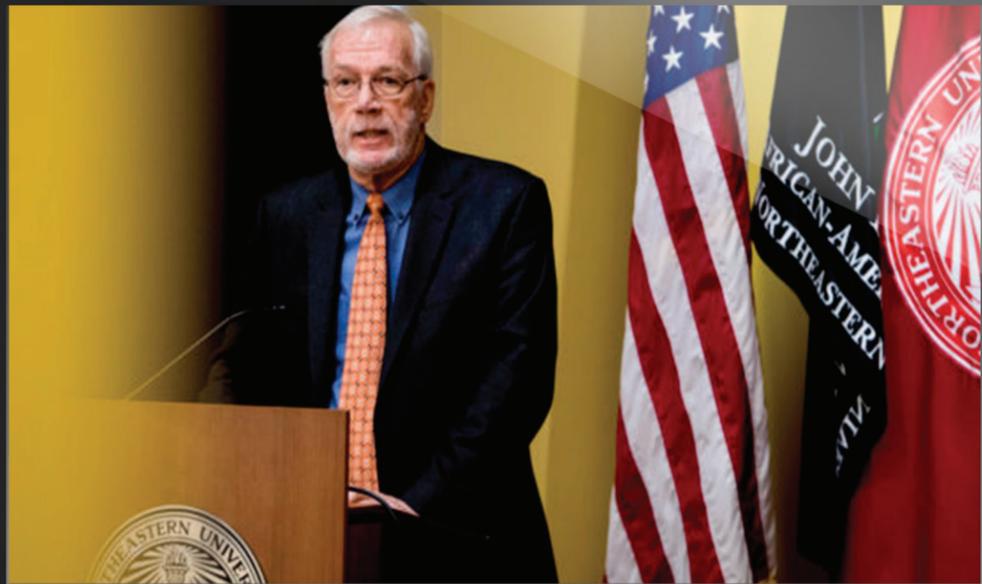
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Her most recent work, published in May, examined the unsolved murders of six black girls in the nation's capital nearly 50 years ago. In 2017, she investigated Howard University Hospital and found myriad problems and missteps, including the deaths of dozens of patients. Prior to coming to The Post, Thompson was an investigative reporter for the Kansas City Star and worked at the Daily News of Los Angeles and the Chicago Tribune. A Chicago native, Thompson has a bachelor's degree in speech communication and a master's degree in journalism from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.



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no idea what had mysteriously happened to their principal. This work marks Frazer's proudest moment as a journalist. The series of stories surrounding the misconduct and investigation are evidence of the importance of local journalism and reporting.



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Bridget Turcotte is a 26-year-old journalist who has been with Essex Media Group for three years. She has worked as

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For the last year and a half, Grant Welker has been the news editor at the Worcester

Business Journal, helping to cover economic development, higher education, health care and other industries in Central Massachusetts. Welker was awarded a Alliance of Area Business Publishers first-place investigative reporting award for the Journal’s size publication for a story he did last year on business tax breaks that Worcester kept in place despite companies not meeting their job-creation or investment requirements. Welker was previously a reporter at the Lowell Sun, including as Lowell City Hall reporter. While there, his reporting was awarded by the New England Newspaper & Press Association for first place, twice, for business and economic reporting, second place for racial and ethnic reporting, third place for obituary reporting, second place for personality profile, and second place for courts and crime reporting. While at the Sun, Welker co-wrote a book about the Market Basket customer and employee uprising in 2014, which was named general business book of the year by 800-CEO-READ, a top business book of the year by Forbes, and a starred review by Publishers Weekly. It has also been translated into Japanese and Korean. Welker’s career started as a reporter at The Herald News in Fall River where he was named a GateHouse reporter of the year, and received NENPA awards for first place for transportation reporting, second place for social issues, second place for government reporting, third place for general news, first place for business and economic reporting, and an honorable mention for environmental reporting and education reporting. Welker is a journalism graduate of the University of Connecticut and a former intern at the Hartford Courant. He lives in Worcester with his wife, Angela.

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