

Faculty Kudos- Week of April 20, 2015

Professor Nancy Sharkey has been selected to participate in the Dow Jones Multimedia Training Academy this summer at the University of Texas, El Paso campus. The program is for journalism instructors who will “learn how to use video, audio and digital photography in storytelling to better prepare their students to produce top-notch cutting edge journalism.” For more information about the program, go to: <http://borderzine.com/2015/04/college-journalism-teachers-to-hone-digital-media-skills-at-fast-paced-utep-boot-camp-on-the-border/>

Celeste González de Bustamante and **Jeannine Relly** were invited faculty participants in the Confluence Center for Creative Inquiry Showcase of research on April 21. The exhibit featured "The Documented Border: An Open Access Digital Archive," which was a collaboration among **González de Bustamante**; **Relly**; Lawrence Gipe, an associate professor of art; and Veronica Reyes-Escudero, UA Special Collections Borderlands curator. The event marked the five year anniversary of the Confluentcenter and featured presentations, exhibits and a reception.

Journalism 205 students covered a news conference with Tucson mayor Jonathan Rothschild on Monday at the Mark Finley Golden Pen Beginning Newswriting Contest. Adjunct instructor **Sarah Gassen**, who coordinates the event each semester, served as a judge, along with **Susan Knight** and **Jeannine Relly**.

Student Kudos

Amer Taleb was recently named a Humanity in Action Fellow, and will be spending 5 weeks in Paris and Amsterdam shortly after graduation. **Taleb** was also recently named a Fulbright Scholar, and will be working in Turkey as an English Teaching Assistant beginning in October.

Mayor Jonathan Rothschild spoke to 13 205 students in the Finley Beginning Newswriting Competition held Monday evening. He spoke about water, conservation and preparations for the future, and answered students' questions in a press conference-style forum.

The students, who were nominated by their 205 instructors, had one hour on to write and polish a news story from Steele's talk. The winners, who will receive scholarships, are:

First-place: **Brandi Walker**
Second-place: **Brandon James**
Thirs-place: **Alyssa Schlitzer**