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**AMERICAN NEWS
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PRESENTS

VIP Reception, Toast and Roast

CELEBRATING

DANA BASH

ANWC Excellence in Journalism

Award Recipient, 2023



Courtesy CNN

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

6:00 PM

ANWC Clubhouse

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



SEJAL GOVINDARAO, GW 2024, is a political reporter and advocate for accountability journalism. With a degree in Political Communication and experience as NBC's Capitol Hill Intern, she is well-prepared to challenge politicians and university officials alike with her investigative reporting into violations of school policy related to sexual assault trials. Sejal is the co-founder of AAJA-GW, an Asian American Journalists Association collegiate chapter. A scholarship from the American News Women's Club would support her goals and provide mentorship from female trailblazers.



SYEDAH ASGHAR, AU 2023, discovered her passion for journalism while watching the TV show "Being Mary Jane" and experiencing the excitement of election coverage in 2020. She has since pursued rigorous reporting, covering events like the State of the Union as part of the Capitol Hill team at NBC News. Syedah's goal is to become an embedded reporter on the 2028 presidential campaign trail, preserving journalism in democratic practices and amplifying voices of underrepresented communities. She is committed to ethical journalism and embracing further opportunities in the field.



JANE FUSCO, AU 2025, has witnessed historic moments and recognizes the critical role of journalists in today's world. With internships at CNN and WECT, she gained real-world experience in broadcast journalism. Jane will be interning at WESH in Orlando to further explore different environments in the field. Winning a scholarship from the American News Women's Club would provide financial support and represent an important show of support for her career. Jane is grateful for the mentorship of successful women journalists and aims to continue the Club's legacy.

The ANWC began its scholarship program in 1993, awarding scholarship funds to women journalism students who attend local Metropolitan area universities. The ANWC is committed to empowering the next generation of talented women in journalism.



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WELCOME
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INTRO TO TOASTERS AND ROASTERS
SHEILAH KAST

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Bob Woodward (2022)
Lesley Stahl (2021)
Wolf Blitzer (2019)
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