

Jeanz conference 2017

The 2017 Jeanz conference will be held at Waikato Institute of Technology's Journalism School in Hamilton, New Zealand, June 29-30, 2017. The conference theme is: "Training journalists in a time of upheaval".

Note the conference is being held in JUNE, not the usual month of December. The earlier date will give members the opportunity to discuss and develop a new moderation regime.

The conference hosts welcome papers on the theme, and on journalism education and practice generally. Email your abstract (max. 300 words) as an attached Word document, no author identification in the abstract, by **May 24, 2017**, to Charles Riddle: Charles.riddle@wintec.ac.nz

Please feel free to submit your abstract before the deadline. The conference organisers will get back to you within a fortnight with a decision on acceptance.

The registration fee will be \$150/head (including the conference dinner). Partners can attend the conference dinner for \$40/head.

The Jeanz website will have more conference details in due course, including a link to the conference website in order to register.



From left, members of the 1966 journalism class, Robin Ormerod and Fran Wilde, cut the anniversary cake with two members of the 2016 class, Julie Iles and Miri Schroeter.



Members of the class of 1973, who had the most graduates at the reunion.

Australian researchers interested in presenting a paper at the Jeanz conference should consider applying for our scholarship that waives the registration fee for one Australian delegate.

Massey Journalism celebrates 50 years

Several generations of journalists swapped scoops and stories - on and off the record - at the 50th-anniversary reunion dinner of the Massey University Journalism School in November.

Massey is the oldest continuously operating journalism school in New Zealand and about 120 graduates, tutors and guests attended the reunion, held on the Wellington campus.

Diana Goodman, a graduate of the class of 1970 and the BBC's first female foreign correspondent, gave the keynote address.



Keynote speaker Diana Goodman (class of 1970).

She mixed some of the highlights of her own career with insights into the current media environment.

After graduating from the Wellington Polytechnic journalism programme, now part of Massey's Journalism School, she landed a job as a BBC radio reporter.

There she encountered her first resistance to women working as journalists, telling the audience there were "20-plus men and me, and to say they were unsupportive would be an understatement".

Diana's career took her to war in Beirut (where she bumped into another graduate of the course working as a reporter) and scenes of historic change in Berlin, Romania and Russia.

Her hectic reporting schedule in those years was such "that I developed a reputation for leaving in the middle of my own dinner parties".

Bringing her insights up to the present day, she said there was room for media to acknowledge the wide range of diverse views held by great swathes of populations, as reflected in the election of Donald Trump to the US Presidency.

"There is a need to recognise different attitudes, but defend our profession too."

As part of the anniversary celebrations, Massey awarded Diana an honorary doctorate in May.

At the reunion, alumni lists and class photos could be viewed in a room alongside the function's venue. Among the high-profile guests were Radio Live announcer and former TVNZ presenter Mark Sainsbury, broadcaster Sean Plunket, former *Evening Post* editor Rick Neville and former *Fair Go* front man Kevin Milne.



Bottles of champagne were presented to members of the class of 1973, who won the competition for having the greatest representation of any year at the reunion, with 11 graduates attending.

A minute's silence was held for those involved in the course who have since died, including Noel Harrison, who established the course, and Christine Cole Catley, who was head tutor in its early days.

Massey is developing an online archive of the Journalism School, featuring reminiscences and memorabilia. It can be viewed [here](#).



AUT student Hanalei Temese. An AUT student figured in the recent awards for excellence in Aussie student journalism

JERAA conference

Jeanz President Grant Hannis attended the Journalism Education and Research Association of Australia's conference in Brisbane in December. The conference included the announcement of the Ossie winners, the prizes for the best student journalism for the year.

"I was delighted to hear that an AUT student, Hanalei Temese, received a highly commended in the best photojournalism category," Grant said.

"A delegate from the Australian Press Council observed that the Ossies now seem to be going international!"

The conference also included several papers on investigative journalism, including from two Australian journalists describing their experiences trawling through the Panama Papers.

“Another fascinating paper looked at the reasons why political journalists become politicians’ press secretaries,” Grant said. “Often, it is because the journalists are curious to see how politics operates from the inside.”

A range of new resources for journalism educators was also unveiled. These included:

[Material on reporting on Islam](#). This resource won the Queensland Multicultural Communication and Media Achievement Award in 2016.

Material for reporting on domestic violence. This material can be obtained by emailing Jess.strickland@ourwatch.org.au To learn more, [visit here](#).

Material to assist journalism students heading off on international workplace internships. This material can be accessed [here](#).

Grant attended JERAA courtesy of funding he obtained through Massey.

Don’t forget that Jeanz offers a scholarship for a Jeanz member - or other New Zealand researcher - to present a paper at the 2017 JERAA conference. For details, refer to Conference Scholarships on the JEANZ website.