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18 international students receive grants for SND Buenos Aires

NORTH KINGSTOWN, RI -- The Society for News Design Foundation has awarded grants to six visual journalism students from the United States and 12 from South America. The grants will help the students attend the 31st SND Annual Workshop & Exhibition, Sept. 24-26, 2009, in Buenos Aires.

Visual students worldwide were invited to apply for the grants and applications were received from 25 in the United States and 70 in South America. The students selected for grants have demonstrated leadership in visual journalism. Most are involved in student publications and in SND student-affiliate activities, and have secured internships, part-time jobs and other professional work.

SND Foundation President Susan Mango Curtis, assistant professor at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism, said, "This is not just a grant but an opportunity to invest in our future as an organization. These 18 young, creative minds may very well one day lead our industry and transform visual journalism and how media companies deliver the news."

All winners receive free registrations to the professional Annual Workshop program. North American students also receive \$500 for travel. The travel grant winners will assist other SND volunteers in running the Annual Workshop, hosted this year by Clarín and organized by Art Director Gustavo Lo Valvo.

This year's travel grant winners are:

- Cristián Bego, Universidad del Desarrollo, Concepción, Chile
- Ángeles Briones, Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile
- Alejandro Bruna, Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile
- Andreina Fernandes, Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela
- Lionel Fernández Roca, Universidad de Palermo, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Lauren Frohne, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- Aderlani Furlanetto, Blumenau, Santa Catarina, Brazil
- Valentina Gangotena, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador
- Federico Gómez, Universidad Nacional de Rosario, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Adam Griffiths, Kent State University, Ohio
- María Jesús López, Universidad del Desarrollo, Santiago, Chile
- Gabriela Lorenz, Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- María Luján, Universidad de Palermo, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Militza Moya, Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago, Chile
- Katherine Myrick, Indiana University, Bloomington
- Aaron Olson, Michigan State University, East Lansing
- Sahar Vahidi, Syracuse University, N.Y.
- Andrea Zagata, Michigan State.

Applications were reviewed by three SNDF trustees: Cristóbal Edwards, professor of visual journalism at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile in Santiago; SND U.S. Education Director Jennifer George-Palilonis, assistant professor in the department of journalism at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind.; and SND Diversity Director Javier Torres, AME presentation at The News-Press in Fort Myers, Fla.

The Society for News Design Foundation, created in 1992, is the nonprofit education and research effort of the Society for News Design. To learn more, visit <http://www.snd.org/about/found.html>, or contact SND, 1130 Ten Rod Road, E 206, North Kingstown, RI 02852; (401) 294-5233; snd@snd.org.