

Archival Issues Update

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I hope this update finds you all safe and well. With the publication of *AI* 40.2 last winter, we have completed another two-year (four-issue) cycle of *Archival Issues*, which means that it's time for publication awards season! An ad hoc committee of archivists was assembled to determine which authors from that last two years would receive this year's Margaret Cross Norton and New Author Awards. For the Margaret Cross Norton Award, the committee selected Jacklyn Rander and Leigh Rupinski's article, "Telling Stories: A Case Study in Podcasting with Archival Resources," while Carey Beam and Carrie Schwier's article, "Learning in Place: The Teaching Archivist and Place-Based Education," was selected as winner of the New Author Award. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to Bethany Anderson, Harrison Inefuku, and Carol Street for generously agreeing to serve on this year's awards committee!

Production of the next issue of *Archival Issues* (41.1) is in progress, and we expect it will be published later this summer. The issue will include at least three full-length articles and several book reviews that have been accepted for publication and are currently going through the revision and editing process.

In other news, last month the Editorial Board voted to adopt a new author name change request policy for *AI*. Nonexistent or outdated name change policies create unnecessary burdens that disproportionately affect transgender, nonbinary, gender diverse, married female, and Indigenous authors who are more likely to experience name changes during their professional careers. In cases where authors wish to change their name for any reason following publication in *AI*, MAC will update all digitally published content, metadata, and associated records under its control to reflect the requested name change. I, for one, am proud that MAC has joined a growing list of publishers who have responded to the call for a more gender- and trans-inclusive scholarly publishing environment. The complete policy can be viewed on the MAC website at <https://www.midwestarchives.org/archival-issues>.

As always, we welcome article submissions on a wide range of topics related to archives and special collections. To submit a manuscript or if you have an idea for an article you would like to discuss, please contact me at bpieczko@iu.edu, or visit our online submission portal at <https://www.iastatedigitalpress.com/archivalissues/submissions>.