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Member Newsletter — August 2026

Welcome to the August edition of the ARNOVA newsletter. This month, we're celebrating the 2026 Graduate Diversity Scholars and Leaders Program awardees, sharing updates from the Governance Section, and counting down the final days to submit nominations for the 2026 ARNOVA Research Awards. Don't forget to register for the 2026 Annual Conference in Philadelphia this November—we look forward to seeing you there!

DEADLINE EXTENDED - Nominate by Friday, Aug 7!

There's still time to recognize the individuals and scholarship shaping the nonprofit and philanthropic sector.

ARNOVA is accepting nominations for its 2026 Research Awards through **Friday, August 7.**

Awards recognize outstanding achievements across

research, books, dissertations, doctoral proposals, leadership, and global philanthropy, with several categories including cash honoraria.

2026 ARNOVA AWARDS

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ARNOVA President's Award
\$10,000 honorarium



UMD Do Good Institute-ARNOVA
Global Philanthropy Award
\$10,000 honorarium



Gabriel G. Rudney Memorial Award
for Outstanding Dissertation
\$1,000 honorarium



Lester M. Salamon Memorial Award
for Promising Doctoral Proposal
\$500 honorarium



Distinguished Achievement
and Leadership Award
\$1,000 honorarium



Outstanding Book Award
\$500 honorarium



Virginia A. Hodgkinson
Book Prize
\$1,000 honorarium



Peter Dobkin Hall
History Book Prize

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Nominate Today

Don't miss this final opportunity to submit a nomination for a deserving colleague—or yourself, where self-nominations are accepted.

Congratulations to Our 2026 Graduate Diversity Scholars and Leaders Program Awardees!

We are thrilled to announce the newest cohort of the **Graduate Diversity Scholars and Leaders Professional Development Program!**

This year's application pool was exceptionally strong, and after careful review, we are proud to welcome the following awardees:

- Niki Jabbari
- Salman Bin Habib
- Sabah Panhwar
- Elizabeth Timothy
- Daniel Lahera
- Marylin D. Rozario

- Vageesha Sharma
- LaKristie Davis

Please join us in congratulating this incredible group of scholars as they begin this next chapter with ARNOVA.

We want to take a moment to acknowledge just how competitive this year's application process was. We received an outstanding number of applications from talented, dedicated individuals, and choosing this cohort was no small task. To everyone who applied: thank you for your interest, your time, and the passion you brought to your application. While we were not able to accept everyone this cycle given the volume of strong applicants, please know that your commitment to this field does not go unnoticed, and we hope you'll consider applying again in the future.

Congratulations again to our new awardees! We can't wait to see what you accomplish through this program.

The ARNOVA Graduate Diversity Scholars and Leaders Program Team

Pier Rogers, Jenniefer Wade-Berg, & Mac-Jane Crayton

Registration Is Now Open for ARNOVA 2026



Join us November 19–21 in Philadelphia for the 55th ARNOVA Annual Conference:
Igniting Civic Activism: Grassroots and Voluntary Action and Democracy

Reconnect with colleagues, explore new research, engage in thought-provoking discussions, and experience one of the nonprofit sector's leading research conferences.

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Governance (GOV) Section News

The Governance Section is planning another Innovation in Nonprofit Governance Dialogue this fall, once again focused on research to practice – ***“Governance from the Inside Out: Rethinking Board Dynamics and Culture”***. Open to all! Stay tuned for more information!

The Governance Section will be hosting a **Governance Networking Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 19th during the ARNOVA conference at a local restaurant**. It's open to all conference participants, so please plan to join us! More information about registration is coming soon.

Finally, we're seeking new members for the Governance Section. For more information, contact: Judy Freiwirth, Psy.D., Co-Chair, at Judy@NonprofitSA.com

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