



PROGRAM IN REVIEW

January 2022-February 2024

19.5K

Scholarship Amount
Awarded to Seven
Students

10K

Largest Single
Donation
Amount

20+

Networking,
Conversations, Panels,
and Mentorship Events

103

Current
DFW Memberships
HCDFW: 55
NAHJ: 57

25%

Increase in Combined
HCDFW+NAHJ
Memberships

5

DFW Organizations
Committed as
Corporate Members



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2023-2024 LEADERSHIP AND NETWORKING EVENTS HOSTED BY HCDFW



HCDFW Conversations and Networking with Alfredo Corchado and Dianne Solis

Date: Thursday, Feb. 1, 2024 + Time: 6:30 p.m. + Venue: The Wild Detectives

80 people gathered to celebrate Alfredo's career, hear him speak about his new venture, stories about his father, and growing up in El Paso.



HCDFW Conversations and Networking with Eraldo "Dino" Chiecchi and Cynthia Izaguirre

Date: Thursday, September 14, 2023 + Time: 5:30 p.m. + Venue: UT Arlington

Despite a significant storm and breaking news, people turned out to discuss Dino's new book on teen suicide and mental health for journalists.



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HCDFW Conversations and Networking with Dianne Solis and Rebecca Lopez

Date: Thursday, Aug. 14, 2023 + Time: 5 p.m. + Venue: Oak Cliff Cultural Center

25 people gathered to celebrate Dianne's career, hear stories of journalistic adventures, and the impact of Latinos in journalism.

PARTNER COLLABORATION: PANEL CONVERSATION



HCDFW Panel:

The "Unspoken Truth of a Media Career"

5th Annual Hispanic Media Conference

Date: Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023 + Time: 10:15 a.m.

Venue: University of Texas at Arlington

Students gathered to hear from speakers Dino Chiecchi, Magda Salazar, and Dora Tovar discuss early-career experiences, office dynamics, relationship building and self-branding



2023 MENTORSHIP PROGRAMS

HCDFW Mentors with Kristin Diaz began as a monthly virtual program open to members and non-members, including high school students. The program was designed to create leadership opportunities for members and use the existing platform to highlight HCDFW members and Hispanic professionals. The program launched in June 2023.

Past conversations have included the topics of first-generation journeys, selecting journalism as a career, early-career path lessons learned, knowing your worth, journalism vs. social media standards, understanding developing roles, and participating in local journalism chapters.

Videos are posted on the HCDFW YouTube channel at [HCDFW Mentors with Kristin Diaz](#).



HCDFW Mentors with Kristin Diaz and Narda Perez

Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2023

Time: 8:15-9:15 p.m.

Location: Virtual



HCDFW Mentors with Kristin Diaz and Rebecca Aguilar

Date: Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2023

Time: 8:15-9:15 p.m.

Location: Virtual



HCDFW Mentors with Kristin Diaz and Anayeli Ruiz

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2023

Time: 8:15-9:15 p.m.

Location: Virtual



2024 TRAININGS

Nancy Leal from Telemundo39 led the workshop "Using Your Voice to Tell the Story". During the session at the NBC/Telemundo studios in Fort Worth (4805 Amon Carter Blvd. Fort Worth, TX 76155), students:

- heard Nancy discuss her professional experience and lessons learned.
- reviewed selected clips of Nancy delivering different types of news material that showcased the value of voice in storytelling.
- practiced their own delivery of the same clips Nancy provided.
- received personal coaching by Nancy Leal, in both a group setting and individually.

The class was limited to 10 students to allow for more individualized attention. Participants from the University of North Texas and The University of Texas at Arlington attended.

Organizer: Magda Salazar





2024 TRAININGS

HCDFW Photography Panel and Workshop: What It Takes to Capture a Moment and How Visual Journalists Can Work with Journalists.

Juan Figueroa (DMN), Desiree Rios (Freelancer for The Washington Post, The NY Times), Martin Doporto (WFAA), Omar Vega Freelancer for Getty), and Julio Cortez (AP) were the photojournalists presenting. María Ramos Pacheco, DMN reporter, and HCDFW VP-Journalism moderated the conversation on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at The Dallas Morning News.

30 DFW professionals gathered to learn from DFW-based presenters, all Hispanic photojournalists:

- Discuss respective careers, including how they started and tips from the field.
- Look back at their most memorable moments via a slideshow of photos and videos.
- Share how each has handled difficult assignments like mass shootings and putting a camera in someone's face when they themselves may be terrified, and how they take care of themselves after these types of stories.

Organizer: Maria Ramos Pacheco





2023-2024 HAPPY HOUR EVENTS



We celebrated the NAHJ National Chapter Cup selection at Four Corners Brewery in July 2023. The venue is owned by a former HCDFW scholarship recipient.

We bid a DFW journalism farewell in September 2023 to Gilbert Bailón as he headed to Chicago for new role.



We gathered for an impromptu happy hour to meet the new board at Four Corners Brewery in February 2024. Gilbert Bailón joined us. We recruited colleagues for open positions.

And finally, the new board organized a Selena-Inspired Mixed in April 2024.





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2023 ANNUAL RECEPTION AND AWARDS PROGRAM

On October 14, 2023, Hispanic Communicators DFW gathered to award \$5,000 in scholarships to two University of Texas at Arlington recipients, induct three new members to the HCDFW Hall of Fame, recognize this year's judges, auction two-weekend cabins, and enjoy the incredible venue provided by a local Latino philanthropist filled with art. Designed to create and share a unique experience, one student commented, "I never thought I would be in a place like this or an event like this."

