

Company: Global Press Journal, Washington, DC

Company Description: Since 2006 Global Press has been training and employing local women reporters to cover the world's most pressing topics from places where the issues are acute, underreported and connected to wider global trends. Our investigative and explanatory journalism serves an audience of local and international changemakers.

Nomination Category: Individual Awards Categories

Nomination Sub Category: Female Innovator of the Year – Government or Non-Profit –11 to 2,500 Employees

Nomination Title: Krista Karch, Editor-in-Chief



1. Which will you submit for your nomination in this category, a video of up to five (5) minutes, explaining the achievements since July 1, 2023 of the nominated woman, OR written answers to the questions? (Choose one):

Written answers to the questions

2. If you are submitting a video of up to five (5) minutes in length, provide the URL of the video here, OR attach it to your entry via the "Add Attachments, Videos, or Links to This Entry" link above, through which you may also upload a copy of your video. If you are submitting written answers to the questions for this category, provide them in the spaces below:

N/A

3. Briefly describe the nominated individual: history and past performance (up to 200 words):

Total 183 words used.

An award-winning media visionary with over two decades of experience, Krista has built an extraordinary career with industry powerhouses like NPR's Morning Edition and United Press International. Previously, Krista has worked for NPR's Morning Edition, United Press International, and as a speechwriter and ghostwriter for climate science leaders. She began her career as a reporter covering minority communities including refugees and Native American tribes, as well as the U.S. evangelical movement and its impacts throughout North America and around the world. Krista's work has been recognized with numerous awards on the local, national and international levels. She holds an M.A. in journalism from Syracuse University and a B.A. in theology from Davis College.

From 2013 to 2019, she played a transformative role at Global Press, spearheading some of our most impactful and resonant reporting. Krista returned to Global Press in 2024 as editor-in-chief, to implement our new editorial strategy.

Since returning Krista has led a team of seasoned local journalists and new reporting fellows who magnify and question those systems within their own communities which shake the foundations of democracy.

4. Outline the nominee's achievements since July 1 2023 that you wish to bring to the judges' attention (up to 250 words):

Total 217 words used.

Krista has been working with our experienced reporters-in-residence based in Uganda, Nepal, Argentina and Zimbabwe alongside the organization's first group of fellows embarking on a two-year fellowship on shifting democracies, being the sole editor on their first stories for the organisation. Covering existing coverage countries with our reporters in residence and new countries ranging from Ukraine to El Salvador, Krista has guided our reporters to produce impactful work on civil liberties, the environment and global health.

The work she has spearheaded includes cross border collaborations on USAID cuts, a three part series on examining how large-scale cash transfer programs targeting women voters in India affects democracy, as well as investigative and explanatory journalism designed to help people everywhere better understand the world and their places in it.

Under her leadership our journalism has already secured more than than 350 republications appearing in media giants such as Animal Politico, Yahoo Noticias and All Africa while informing communities who need the information the most, such as a critical health information on tuberculosis treatment in Bangladesh which was used by a health worker to inform her local community of patients.

"Krista is a one-of-a-kind leader, thinker and journalist," Global Press CEO Cristi Hegrane says. "Her leadership has amplified our mission and delivered journalism that shapes the global conversation."

5. Explain why the achievements you have highlighted are unique or significant. If possible compare the achievements to the performance of other players in your industry and/or to the nominee's past performance (up to 250 words):

Total 160 words used.

Krista's achievements are significant because they represent a powerful model of journalistic innovation grounded in collaboration, inclusion, and impact. Krista has championed local perspectives working directly with reporters across continents to deliver impactful, high-quality journalism on issues of civil liberties, global health, and the environment. Her editorial leadership, especially in guiding the first cohort of Global Press fellows, has not only elevated emerging voices but also expanded coverage into underreported regions like Ukraine and El Salvador.

Her approach to editing, prioritizing accuracy, diversity, and cross-border collaboration, has led to stories that are not only widely republished by major outlets, but also directly useful to the communities they serve. From shaping stories on shifting democracies around the world to editing health reporting that impacts real patient care in Bangladesh, Krista has redefined what it means to create journalism that matters. Her work embodies innovation through her vision and work ethic that results in a journalism which is ethical, representative and transformative.

6. Reference any attachments of supporting materials throughout this nomination and how they provide evidence of the claims you have made in this nomination (up to 250 words):

Total 127 words used.

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"I always follow up with my sources. I like to share news personally with the community. I shared the publication with Health Worker and community leader Parvin Begum from the Beguntilla Slum during a follow-up visit. She shared how the slum dwellers have been alert since I visited the slum that they need to go to the hospital by themselves as now no longer porters are coming to take samples from door to door. She kept the printed version of the article to refer to her other colleagues about the current condition." Fabhea Monir, Shifting Democracies Reporting Fellow, Global Press, Bangladesh, on the impact of her above story.

<https://www.globalpress.co/press-releases/global-press-hires-krista-karch-as-editor-in-chief>

<https://www.globalpress.co/about/our-team>

Attachments/Videos/Links:

[Krista Karch, Editor-in-Chief](#)



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