

Woman's Press Club of Indiana

An affiliate of the National Federation of Press Women



2026 Elizabeth and Fred Granger Travel Journalism Grant

Deadline: **APRIL 22, 2026**

WPCI (Woman's Press Club of Indiana) will present a \$500 grant to a qualified Indiana journalist working in travel journalism. The grant may be used for further education through courses or seminars, travel or lodging to such seminars, personal equipment, or other expenses tied to enhancing the applicant's travel journalism experience. Applicants may include, but are not limited to, published travel writers, published travel photographers, editors, and public relations individuals working on behalf of travel destinations. They must have worked (full-time or part-time) in the field of travel journalism for at least three years.

The award is known as the Elizabeth and Fred Granger Travel Journalism Grant in memory of Fred Granger, a WPCI member who died in 2020. It was created by his wife Elizabeth, a WPCI member. They were a travel journalism team for more than 25 years, she as a writer/photographer and he – as he'd say – as a photographer/luggage carrier.

Each application packet shall include **ALL** of the following:

- The completed application form (attached).
- A narrative essay of 150-300 words, written by the applicant, telling the scholarship/grant committee why travel journalism is important to her/him as well as to readers, and how the Granger grant could improve her/his travel journalism skills. This autobiographical essay is to be titled and is to follow all the conventions of a well-written piece of prose.
- Three examples of works in the field of travel journalism – i.e., published articles, published photos, edited articles, press releases, press trip itineraries on behalf of destinations, etc.

A completed application packet is to be mailed, with a postmark on or before **APRIL 22, 2026**, OR emailed by **APRIL 22, 2026**, to:

Elizabeth Granger, WPCI Scholarship Coordinator
13551 Waybury Dr.
Nunica, MI 49448
elizabethgrangertravel@gmail.com

Find info, and digital application, at wpcindiana.org. Under News, click on Scholarships & Grants. Questions? Email **elizabethgrangertravel@gmail.com**. On subject line, write WPCI Granger Grant.

2025 recipient: Carrie Steinweg, Valparaiso freelance journalist

2024 recipient: Jamie Ward, Greater Indianapolis area freelance writer, blogger

2023 recipient: Tamara Tilley, LaGrange County CVB

2022 recipient: Amy Lynch, Indianapolis freelance journalist

2021 recipient: Jackie Sheckler Finch, Bloomington freelance journalist

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PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.

Name of applicant: _____

Home address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ zip code

E-mail address: _____

Employer (if applicable): _____

Employer's address, phone (if applicable):

Brief history of travel journalism experience, including beginning date:

To be signed by the applicant:

I certify that the information provided in this packet is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information may result in a rescinding of any award granted.

Applicant's signature Date