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He works with Edmonton radio station CJSR to produce 'Acimowin', a weekly live program dealing with Indigenous music and news. He also curates 'Indigenous Journalism', an information site on Facebook and Twitter.

This fellowship will provide a 12-week, paid placement with the 'APTN Investigates' team based in Winnipeg, in the late-winter/spring of 2017. John W. Murray will work with APTN staff to produce a full-length piece of original, investigative journalism that will air on 'APTN Investigates'.

The CAJ provided promotional and logistical support to the judging panel. The CAJ will provideJohn W. Murray with a complimentary one-year membership. Moreover, he will be invited to #CAJ17 in Ottawa next year to screen the finished piece for conference delegates and discuss how it came together and was received after broadcast.

CAJ president Nick Taylor-Vaisey and APTN executive director of news and current affairs Karyn Pugliese announced the creation of this new fellowship during the #CAJ16 conference banquet, held at the Coast Edmonton Plaza Hotel in May.

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