ALTA TRAVEL FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED!

- $1,000 to emerging translators working from
- Fellows reading at ALTA39: Translation & Crossings (October 6-9, 2016 in Oakland, CA)

ALTA is pleased to announce the winners of the 2016 ALTA Travel Fellowships, including the very first Peter K. Jansen Memorial Travel Fellowship. Each year, ALTA provides four to six $1,000 fellowships to emerging translators to attend the annual ALTA conference. This year’s winners were selected by Cathy Nelson, Katie Silver, Sarah Stickney, and Matvei Yankelevich. Congratulations to these exceptional emerging translators, chosen from more than 140 applications:

Bruna Dantas Lobato, 2016 Peter K. Jansen Memorial Travel Fellow (Brazilian Portuguese)
Bruna Dantas Lobato’s writings and translations have appeared in BOMB, Ploughshares online, The Millions, Words Without Borders, Asymptote, and elsewhere. She is the Fiction Editor of Washington Square Review and an MFA candidate in Fiction at New York University, where she teaches creative writing. She is originally from Natal, Brazil. Read more about Bruna here.

Monika Cassel, 2016 ALTA Travel Fellow (German)
Monika Cassel is a translator, poet, and educator. Her translations have appeared in POETRY Magazine, Michigan Quarterly Review, Guernica, and Asymptote; her forthcoming chapbook won the 2015 Venture Poetry Award. She holds a PhD in comparative literature from the University of Michigan and teaches German at Oregon State University. Read more about Monika here.

Nicholas Glastonbury, 2016 ALTA Travel Fellow (Turkish)
Nicholas Glastonbury is a translator and writer based in Brooklyn. He is a PhD student in cultural anthropology at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, and is also a co-editor of the Turkey Page for the e-zine Jadaliyya. Read more about Nicholas here.

Haider Shahbaz, 2016 ALTA Travel Fellow (Urdu)
Haider Shahbaz has a B.A. from Yale University and an MFA from University of Nevada, Las Vegas. His translations have appeared in Brooklyn Rail, Portland Review, Aldus, and elsewhere. His work has been nominated for a Pushcart Prize. Starting in October, he will be the Charles Pick Fellow at University of East Anglia. Read more about Haider here.

Kelsi Vanada, 2016 ALTA Travel Fellow (Spanish)
Kelsi Vanada is pursuing an MFA in Literary Translation at the University of Iowa and holds an MFA in Poetry from the Iowa Writers’ Workshop (2016). She writes poems, and translates poetry from Spanish and the Scandinavian languages. She won Asymptote’s 2016 Close Approximations Translation Contest. Recent work at Asymptote, New Delta Review, and Prelude. Read more about Kelsi here.

As part of ALTA39: Translation & Crossings, October 6-9, 2016 in Oakland, CA, there will be a Fellows Reading on Friday, October 7 from 5:15pm – 6:45pm. More information on the conference is available at www.literarytranslators.org/alta39.

The mentor for the 2016 ALTA Travel Fellows is Elizabeth Harris.