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Media Malaise: American Journalism Confronts Historic Change

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Abstract

"Media Malaise: American Journalism Confronts Historic Change" will focus on the proliferation of information sources and the impact of economic and technological developments on traditional forms of news—newspapers, magazines, and broadcast outlets. As sources multiply, audiences fragment, and the media landscape dramatically changes. What do these conditions mean to the understanding of Americans about their country and the world?



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