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The North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences

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The 2020 NAAHoLS meeting will again be held in conjunction with the Linguistic Society of America, the American Dialect Society, the American Name Society, the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, the Society for Computation in Linguistics, the North American Research Network in Historical Sociolinguistics, and the Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics. Featured plenary speakers to be announced.

The annual meeting will take place in New Orleans, Louisiana (Hilton New Orleans Riverside) from 2-5 January 2020. Details about the meeting will be available in the coming months.

As in the past, we invite papers relating to any aspect of the history of the language sciences. All presenters must be members of the association (contact the NAAHoLS Secretary for details). Papers will be 20 minutes, with 10 minutes for discussion. Abstracts should be submitted as file attachments (MS Word). The length of the abstract should not exceed 500 words – upon acceptance, a shorter (100-word) abstract will also be requested for the LSA meeting handbook. **The deadline for NAAHoLS abstracts is 1 September 2019.**

Abstracts should be sent to: David Boe,
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Linguistic Society of America
94th Annual Meeting
2-5 January 2020, New Orleans, Louisiana

Message from the Director of the LSA Annual Meeting:

June 2019

Dear Colleagues,

I'm writing with a reminder that abstracts (including abstracts for the Five-Minute Linguist plenary contest) for the LSA's 2020 Annual Meeting, which will take place from January 2-5 at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside, are due Monday, June 24. **[Note that NAAHoLS abstracts are due, as usual, on September 1st.]**

Instructions for submitting both types of abstracts are in the call for abstracts (at the LSA website: <https://www.linguisticsociety.org/event/lsa-2020-annual-meeting>). You can also submit your abstract directly after logging in to the LSA website. Read below for some special pointers for writing an abstract for the Five-Minute Linguist and some additional LSA resources about abstract submission.

Pointers for Submitting an Abstract for the Five-Minute Linguist

1. Teach the audience what is important about your topic, which can be otherwise phrased, perhaps a bit tartly, as "Why should they care?" To wit – translate why YOU care into terms that will transfer that enthusiasm to them.
2. Be user-friendly. This point is not a request to dumb down your research, but avoid technical jargon as much as possible. Physicists and chemists do it; so can we.
3. Always keep in mind that five minutes is a very, very short time. Think of it as cozy. But short. Trim and then trim again; leave just the heart of the matter.

The public presentations will be held on Friday, Jan 3th from 7 - 8:30pm in the St. Charles Ballroom. There will be no podium and you shouldn't read from notes. Of course you can use slides and sound – but as accessories to you up there front and center. There will be a panel of judges who will decide on the winner with the help of some audience participation. And the winner gets a year's membership in the LSA!

Traditionally – after three years there is sort of a tradition! – the 5ML audience is a distinctly warm and welcoming "house." Do consider sending an abstract.

We're looking forward to receiving your abstracts and to seeing you in New Orleans!

David Robinson
Director of Membership and Meetings
Linguistic Society of America

Upcoming Conferences

Henry Sweet Society Annual Colloquium Edinburgh, Scotland (5-8 September 2019)

The Annual Colloquium of the Henry Sweet Society for the History of Linguistic Ideas will be held at the University of Edinburgh, 5-7 September 2019, with a social program on 8 September.

Presentations on various aspects of the history of linguistics and linguistic ideas are scheduled. Featured plenary speakers include: Geoffrey Pullum (*University of Edinburgh*), “Chronicling the prehistory of generative grammar: Problems of origination and attribution”; Gerda Haßler (*Universität Potsdam*), “The recurrence of the linguistic relativity principle in the history of linguistics”; Jacqueline Léon (*Laboratoire d’histoire des théories linguistiques, CNRS*), “Battles over the uses of ‘model’ in early years of generative grammars”; Pierre Swiggers (*KU Leuven*), “A glance at the dark side of (the history of) linguistics”

The full conference program is available at the following link:

http://www.henrysweet.org/wp-content/uploads/hss2019_programme.html

For information about conference registration, refer to the Henry Sweet Society website:

<http://www.henrysweet.org/colloquia/colloquium-2019-edinburgh/>

Ideology and Linguistic Ideas (ILI-2019) Tbilisi, Georgia (12-14 September 2019)

After the two successful conferences in 2015 and 2017, we are pleased to invite scholars interested in the history of linguistic ideas developed alongside with different ideologies in different times once more to Georgia.

200 years ago, in 1819, Rasmus Rask, after his well-known work “Investigation of the Origin of the Old Norse or Icelandic Language” (1818), traveled to St. Petersburg and Tbilisi. During his travels, he wrote a paper in German on the Languages and Literatures of Norway, Iceland, Sweden, and Finland (1819). After that, Rask travelled in Persia, India, and Ceylon. He wrote very important works on the authenticity of the Zend language and on the method of expressing the sounds of the Indian Languages in European characters. These works of Rask created the strong basis for the historical-comparative linguistics. Due to this reason, our conference is dedicated to Rasmus Rask and 200 years history of comparative and areal linguistics.

The conference will be held on 12-14 September, 2019 at Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University. For additional information: <https://ideologyandlinguisticideas.wordpress.com/>

Future LSA/NAAHoLS Annual Meeting locations/dates:

2021 → San Francisco, California (Marriott Marquis), 7-10 January

2022 → Washington, DC (Washington Hilton), 6-9 January

NAAHoLS 2019 DUES

Yearly Membership: \$20 (US)

Lifetime Membership: \$250 (US)

Please make your check out to "NAAHoLS" and send it to: David Boe,
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