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Welcome Message from WPA President

Joan Tucker



t is truly an honor to serve as President of the Western Psychological Association. Like so many of you, I joined WPA as a graduate student and was able to attend my first convention thanks to a student travel scholarship. Attending that first convention was such an impactful and rewarding experience for me -- as it is each year for so many undergraduate and graduate students. The annual WPA convention, and the organization as a whole, affords students and professionals alike valuable opportunities for professional development and to contribute to a regional community supportive of psychological research and scholarship. As WPA marks its 96th anniversary, there is much to be proud of in this thriving organization.

Speaking of the annual convention, our next one will be held April 27-30 at the beautiful Sheraton Grand Sacramento. The convention hotel is conveniently located in downtown Sacramento, where farm-to-fork cuisine and a vibrant nightlife complement cultural and historical highlights, excellent theater, and stunning parks. Program Co-chairs Rebecca Cameron and Larry Myers, from our host university, California State University, Sacramento, have been busy working on the invited speakers program. We have an exciting line-up of speakers for the convention, which includes some of the leading researchers in psychology -- Lynette Bikos, Serena Chen, Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, Amber Gaffney, Gail Goodman, Sharon Hamill, Linda Mona, Karen Rook, Dean Simonton, Judith Torney-Purta, Simine Vazire, Nolan Zane, and Phillip Zimbardo (to name just a few). Throughout the convention, there will be many opportunities to make new professional connections, as well as reconnect with old friends and colleagues, at the lively poster sessions and fun social events that we have planned. In addition, we will be offering the popular Statistics Workshops, Film Festival, and Terman Teaching Conference. In addition, there will be numerous Continuing Education (CE credit) offerings available. I'm very excited to see plans for the convention taking shape and would like to thank everyone involved in the planning process for their enthusiasm and hard work.

Of course, WPA is more than just its annual conference (as outstanding as that conference may be!). The WPA Board of Directors has a number of initiatives under consideration to further engage students and professionals in WPA activities, enhance the value of WPA to its membership and beyond, and foster interactions among us throughout the year. As we consider these plans for the future, I would like to invite you to email me (jtucker@rand.org) with your ideas and suggestions.

Wishing you a wonderful summer, and I look forward to seeing you in Sacramento!

Joan Tucker RAND Corporation and Pardee RAND Graduate School



WPA 2017 Convention: Mark Your Calendars!

The **2017 WPA Convention** is scheduled for **April 27-30** at the **Sheraton Grand** in downtown **Sacramento, California**. The Terman Teaching Conference will be Wednesday, April 26. The convention host is California State University, Sacramento. Larry Meyers and Rebecca Cameron are Program Co-Chairs.

Sacramento, California

Our **distinguished speakers** will include Lynette Bikos, Serena Chen, Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, Amber Gaffney, Gail Goodman, Sharon Hamill, Linda Mona, Karen Rook, Dean Simonton, Judith Torney-Purta, Simine Vazire, Nolan Zane, and Phillip Zimbardo, with more to be announced soon on the WPA website.

Begin planning to submit your research

to the program and attending the convention in 2017. The Call for Proposals with detailed instructions for submitting is on the WPA website.











Terry Cronan WPA President-Elect

WPA is pleased to announce the election of Dr. Terry Cronan as President Elect. Dr. Cronan will serve on the WPA Board for a 3-year period and will be our WPA President during 1917-18. Dr. Cronan earned her undergraduate and master's degrees in psychology from San Diego State University, and her Ph.D. from Michigan State University in ecological/community psychology. She concentrated her research on developing interventions to improve the quality of life for people with chronic health conditions and to use experimental methods to solve social problems.

Terry is a longtime member of WPA. She served as the Western Region Vice-president of Psi Chi, which involves directing the Psi Chi part of the WPA convention. She and her students regularly present research at WPA. She has also served as director of the San Diego State University Faculty/ Student Mentoring Program and Project PRIMER (designed to improve the language development of the younger siblings of Head Start children), and director of the Marian Wright Edelman Institute at San Francisco State University. She received more than \$12 million dollars in grand to provide financial support for her research.

Dr. Cronan has received multiple awards for teaching and mentoring: the National Institute of Mental Health Wayne S. Fenton Undergraduate Research Educator Award, chosen as outstanding faculty member in the Psychology Department seven times, the Mortar Board Award for outstanding scholarship, leadership, and service (eight times), and the SDSU Alumni Distinguished Faculty Award. She received the 2015 WPA Teaching Award and is a Fellow of WPA and APA (Divisions 1 and 2). Please welcome Dr. Cronan to her new leadership position in WPA.



Jeff Mio New Executive Officer

Jeffery Scott Mio has accepted the position of Executive Officer of the Western Psychological Association. Jeff is a professor in the Psychology and Sociology Department at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, where he also serves as the Director of the M.S. in Psychology Program. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois, Chicago, in 1984. He taught at California State University, Fullerton, in the Counseling Department from 1984–86, then taught at Washington State University in the Department of Psychology from 1986–94, before accepting his current position at Cal Poly Pomona. He was president of Division 45 of the American Psychological Association from 2002–2003. Jeff has been active in WPA for many years—he was chair of the Fellows and

Awards Committee and he served as WPA President in 2010–2011. His interests are in the teaching of multicultural issues, the development of allies, and how metaphors are used in political persuasion. He has published a number of books including an undergraduate text, Multicultural Psychology: Understanding Our Diverse Communities (4th Edition, Oxford Publishers), with co-authors Lori Barker and Melanie Domenech Rodriguez. Jeff begins his new duties on September 1.

Email Jeff at <u>jsmio@cpp.edu</u>.





Heidi Riggio Receives 2016 WPA Teaching Award

Dr. Heidi Riggio is Professor of Psychology at California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA). She earned her BA and MA degrees at California State University, Fullerton, and her PhD in Social Psychology at Claremont Graduate University.

Dr. Riggio has an extraordinary record as a mentor for students entering the field of psychology. She has advised thousands of undergraduate students,

supervised research and mentored dozens of undergraduate and graduate students, developed new courses, published teaching materials, and contributed to her profession as a scholar and model for her students. She was the Primary Academic Advisor in Psychology for three years at CSULA, where she managed student orientation events and presentations, and development of handouts and a website.

Evaluations from Dr. Riggio's students have been consistently outstanding; students consider her to be an enthusiastic, fun, caring teacher who expects much from them. Many of the students at CSULA are from immigrant families and many are first generation college students, as is Dr. Riggio. She works closely with her students, inspiring them to achieve beyond the classroom. She regularly publishes and presents at conferences with her students. She has made over 45 presentations at WPA with students and she has 13 empirical peer-reviewed publications with students.

In addition to empirical publications, Dr. Riggio has published teaching materials, including a chapter in the Handbook of Teaching of Psychology (2006), multiple instructor's manuals and test banks, and two editions of a popular critical thinking student workbook (with Diane Halpern and Heather Butler). She has been a reviewer for Teaching of Psychology, Educational Psychology, Pearson, Allyn & Bacon, Bridgepoint Education, and numerous other empirical journals, as well as for Division 2 (Society for the Teaching of Psychology) for the annual APA meeting. She has made four invited presentations to Terman Teaching Conference attendees, and has been Chair of the Division 2 meeting at the WPA annual convention since 2008, including coordination of the "Last Lecture" series.

CSULA has recognized Dr. Riggio for her outstanding teaching and mentoring. She won an Outstanding Professor Award from the CSULA Student Athletic Advisory Council (Winter, 2011); she was awarded a Distinguished Woman Award from CSULA in 2008 largely because of her work advising students. She received the Outstanding Advisor Award from the College of Natural and Social Sciences at CSULA because of her work in academic advising, including developing materials and coursework to enhance effective advising for students. Dr. Riggio is clearly an outstanding teacher, mentor, and researcher. We are pleased to recognize her with the 2016 WPA Outstanding Teaching Award.



Cameron Neece

Receives 2016 Early Career Research Award

Dr. Cameron Neece is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Loma Linda University. Dr. Neece received her BA from University of California, Berkeley and her MA and PhD in Clinical Psychology (with a minor in Quantitative Psychology) from University of California, Los Angeles. Dr. Neece's research interests are in the development of psychopathology under conditions of risk, with a specific



focus on transactional models examining family factors that may ameliorate or exacerbate risk over time. The majority of her work has focused on the development of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities from early childhood through young adulthood. A primary goal of her research is to develop interventions to help parents of children with developmental disabilities. Targeting such parents for intervention has resulted in improvements for not only these parents but also their children (given the bi-directional and reciprocal nature of parent/child relationship dynamics).

Already, Dr. Neece has 21 peer-reviewed publications plus five papers currently under review, as well as four book chapters. Her papers have appeared in the leading journals in the field of intellectual and developmental disabilities. She has been actively involved in grant acquisition and, along with her co-principal investigators, she was successful in securing a university GRASP (Grants for Research and School Partnerships) grant, which is awarded only to research teams with the potential of making significant and original contributions arising out of interdisciplinary collaboration. Out of this grant she formed the Mindfulness Awareness for Parenting Stress project and, through this project, is laying the founding for future grant activities. She currently has under consideration a NIH R01 grant, "Parental Stress and Mindful Awareness: Improving Outcomes for Children with Intellectual and Developmental Delays." Dr. Neece has developed fruitful research collaborators in the departments of pediatrics, pediatric surgery, and public health.

Dr. Neece inspires students to develop their identities and skills as both scientists and practitioners. She is the primary research mentor for 17 doctoral students, 11 PhD and 6 PsyD students. She has chaired 21 dissertation, thesis, and doctoral project committees, and she has guided several student projects through to publication. As a Licensed Clinical Psychologist in California, she has supervised doctoral students clinically. For all these reasons and more, the Western Psychological Association is pleased to recognize Dr. Cameron Neece with the 2016 WPA Early Career Research Award.



Anne Duran Recognized for Service to WPA

Dr. Anne Duran earned her BA at Metropolitan State College (now University) in Denver, Colorado. She earned her MA and PhD in Social Psychology at New Mexico State University. She has been at California State University, Bakersfield, since 2001 (her first day was 9/11!). She teaches Social, Abnormal, and Intro Psychology, as well as the Psychology of Sexual Orientation.

Dr. Duran has attended the Terman Teaching Conference since 2001 and had the opportunity to present a couple of times. She began organizing the Terman together with Beth Rienzi in 2008. She was Coordinator of the Terman

Teaching Conference until 2015 (except 2014 when Heidi Riggio took over during an illness). Through organizing the Terman Conference, Anne has had the opportunity to meet many amazing people who value teaching as much as she does.

WPA is indebted to Dr. Duran for the many contributions that she has made to WPA. We are pleased to honor Dr. Anne Duran with the 2016 Outstanding Service Award.





Robert Cialdini

Recognized with WPA Lifetime Achievement Award

Robert Cialdini, Regents Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Marketing at Arizona State University, is this year's recipient of the WPA's highest award, the Life Achievement Award, which recognizes a lifetime of outstanding achievements in teaching, research, and professional contributions.

Dr. Cialdini is one of the world's top researchers and experts in the science of persuasion, social influence, and negotiation. His definitive books, such

as Influence: Science & Practice, have amazed and enchanted generations of students, while significantly advancing the classic theories and contemporary studies of social influence. Professor Cialdini has also always been generous with his time in support of the Western Psychological Association in its mission of disseminating cutting-edge, high-quality scholarship, and in training and inspiring psychology students. He is a past recipient of the WPA Outstanding Teaching Award.

Dr. Cialdini frequently directs his efforts toward the effective use of social psychology in promoting social welfare (such as in environmental conservation), developing self- discipline, promotion of corporate ethics, and to the resistance of exploitive influence techniques. His career provides a truly outstanding example of how to combine world-class research, highly influential teaching, and real-world consulting to advance psychology while educating students, policy-makers, and leaders across disciplines

The Western Psychological Association is proud to honor Dr. Robert Cialdini with the 2016 WPA Lifetime Achievement Award



2016 Social Responsibility Award To Roxane Cohen Silver

Roxane Cohen Silver is Professor of Psychology and Social Behavior at University of California, Irvine. Professor Silver is this year's recipient of the WPA Social Responsibility Award, which is given to an individual in recognition of substantial and influential work that facilitates peace, freedom, social justice, or protection of this planet's natural environment. She is richly deserving of this award.

Dr. Silver is a founding Director, and Chair of the Board of Directors, of Psychology Beyond Borders. This organization provides international leadership

in evidence-informed psychosocial preparedness, prevention and response to disasters, armed conflict, and terrorism.

Professor Silver is one of the world's top researchers studying the acute and long-term psychological and physical reactions to stressful life experiences. Remarkably, she does not limit her work to one or two traumas but studies physical disability, loss and bereavement, and childhood sexual victimization, as well as large collective events such as terror attacks, war and natural disasters. Her work is a model of how to do significant research, informing psychology while making the world a better place.



Locally, Dr. Silver is Associate Director of the UC Irvine ADVANCE Program for equity and diversity where she is responsible for directing the Diverse Educational Community and Doctoral Experience Faculty Mentors Program.



Enrico E. Jones Clinical Psychology Research Award To Joshua Swift

Dr. Joshua Swift is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Idaho State University, Pocatello. Previously, he was Associate Professor of Psychology at the University of Alaska, Anchorage. He received his doctorate from Oklahoma State University, Stillwater. He completed his internship at SUNY Upstate Medical University, and now is a licensed psychologist in the state of Idaho.

Dr. Swift has demonstrated a passion for psychotherapy research and making his research useful to the clinical community. Within the past nine years, Dr. Swift

has produced about 50 publications and delivered over 60 presentations at national and international conferences. Much of Dr. Swift's research is focused on psychotherapy process and outcome, and is recognized as both scientifically rigorous and relevant to clinical practice. His book on premature termination from psychotherapy published by the American Psychological Association provides empirically-grounded clinical advice on preventing dropouts, an essential topic for all clinicians. His research on client preferences and expectations for psychotherapy provides important and accessible clinical tools for enhancing client engagement with treatment. Google scholar indicates that his publications have been cited over 700 times by other authors.

Dr. Swift's research has been supported by grants from APA Division 29 and the NCAA along with multiple internal grants. He has received many awards for his work. His first recognition came while still a graduate student when he was recognized by the American Psychological Association Division 29 (Psychotherapy) with the Donald K. Freedheim Student Development Award (2008) for having written the best paper "on psychotherapy theory, research, or practice." In 2012 he received the distinguished Publication of Psychotherapy Research Award from APA Division 29. Remarkably, from the entire faculty at the University of Alaska Anchorage, he was selected to receive both the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching (2013) and the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research (2014).

Additionally, Dr. Swift is an effective mentor for the next generation of researchers and clinicians as evidenced by the fact that many of his coauthors are undergraduate and graduate students. The Western Psychological Association is pleased to recognize Dr. Joshua Swift with the 2016 WPA Enrico E. Jones Award for Research in Psychotherapy and Clinical Psychology.



WPA Presidents



Above is a photo of WPA presidents, who were at the Long Beach Convention, except for Bob Cialdini and Ron Riggio who were not available.

From left to right:

(Seated): Elizabeth Loftus, Philip Zimbardo, Christina Maslach

(Standing): Joan Tucker, Terry Cronan, Peter Bentler, Jodie Ullman, Robert Bjork, Howard Friedman, Jeff Mio, Dale Berger



2016 WPA Convention Featured Outstanding Program in Long Beach

The 2016 WPA Convention was a huge success with over 2,500 attendees. The meeting was hosted by the California State University,

Fullerton; Melinda Blackman served as Program Chair. Dr. Blackman and WPA President Howard Friedman planned an outstanding program. The convention included over 1,100 submitted posters, papers, and symposia that were reviewed by the WPA Program Review Committee

The WPA Distinguished Speaker program featured presentations by outstanding psychologists who were invited by the program chairs and by affiliated groups such as Psi Chi, Psi Beta, the American Psychological Association, Society for the Teaching of Psychology, and Psychology Teachers at Community Colleges. Conversation hours with a number of these speakers were organized by Ryan Stoll, the WPA Graduate Student Council Representative. A synopsis of each of these invited presentations can be found in the 2016 online convention program The program may be downloaded or searched online at the WPA website: http://westernpsych.org/convention/

You can also check out the 2016 program with the **WPA convention app**. Download it to your computer or smart phone at http://www.eventmobi.com/wpa2016

Take a look at our **gallery of photos** at http://westernpsych.org/2016-convention-photos/ Thanks to WPA member **Shari Young Kuchenbecker** for volunteering to serve as our photographer.

Howard S. Friedman (UC Riverside) delivered the WPA presidential address, HEALTHY MODELS: PATHWAYS TO THRIVING AND LONGEVITY. This was followed by the president's reception sponsored by **Therapy Notes**.

Terry Cronan (San Diego State University) gave the WPA Teaching Award address: BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER IN A LABORATORY SETTING.

The WPA Early Career Research Award address was given by **Jason Holland** (University of Nevada, Las Vegas): MEANING-MAKING AND ADJUSTMENT TO STRESSFUL LIFE EVENTS.

Dacher Keltner (UC Berkeley) gave the WPA Social Responsibility Award address: THE SCIENCE OF

COMPASSION AND COOPERATION IN THE SERVICE OF THE GREATER GOOD.

The E.E. Jones Clinical Research Award address was given by **Joyce Chu** (Palo Alto University): ADVANCES IN THE CULTURALLY COMPETENT ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF SUICIDE.

The WPA Life Achievement Award address was delivered by **Robert Cialdini** (Arizona State University): AN UNFORGIVING RATIONALE AGAINST ORGANIZATIONAL DISHONESTY.

The Psi Chi Distinguished Speaker was **Dacher Keltner** from UC Berkeley. Dr. Keltner was a consultant on Pixar's "Inside Out" and he spoke on THE PSYCHOLOGY OF INSIDE OUT. A video of his presentation is available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vdpfD888ySs

The APA Distinguished Scientist Lecture was given by **Rodolfo Mendoza-Denton** (UC Berkeley), MINORITY STATUS AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT IN COLLEGE: THREAT AND REJECTION.

Elizabeth Loftus (UC Irvine) was the featured speaker on Saturday: THE FICTION OF MEMORY.

Dr. Michael Shermer, founder of Skeptics Magazine, was the featured speaker on Friday evening: WHAT WENT WRONG? CAMPUS UNREST, POLITICAL DIVERSITY, AND FREEDOM OF SPEECH.

Philip Zimbardo and Christina Maslach hosted a Thursday evening screening of the award-winning film THE STANFORD PRISON EXPERIMENT, starring Billy Crudup as Dr. Zimbardo and Olivia Thirlby as Dr. Maslach. A lively question and answer period followed the film.

The Psi Chi program, organized by **Ethan McMahan** (Western Oregon University), featured several workshops and talks including CAREER OPTIONS AND STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS FOR ALL PSYCHOLOGY GRADUATES led by **Eric Landrum** (Boise State University), THE TAPESTRY OF DIFFERENCE: WEAVING COGNITION AND AFFECT INTO PSYCHOLOGY featuring **Jessica Henderson Daniel** (Boston Children's Hospital), and TIPS FOR GETTING INTO AND SURVIVING GRADUATE SCHOOL.



CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN TEACHING INTRODUCTORY PSYCHOLOGY: A CONVERSATION WITH TEXTBOOK AUTHORS, a special panel organized by **Eric Landrum** (Boise State) and **Sue Frantz** (Highline College) featured a discussion with **Laura Freberg** (California Polytechnic State University), **Susan Nolan** (Seton Hall University), **Greg Feist** (San José State University), **David Myers** (Hope College), and **Noland White** (Georgia College).

The Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP) program was organized by **Heidi Riggio** (CSU Los Angeles). It included the STP Last Lecture featuring presentations by **Henry Schlinger** (CSU Los Angeles), **Susan Nolan** (Seton Hall University), and **Larry Rosen** (CSU Dominguez Hills). The session included a tribute to **Dr. Fred Meeker**, professor at Cal Poly Pomona and longtime WPA member, who co-founded the Last Lecture series. Fred passed away recently in Los Angeles.

Other presentations by distinguished speakers included:

- Allen Gottfried and Ronald E. Riggio WHAT MAKES PEOPLE SUCCESSFUL? EARLY LIFE PREDICTORS OF ADULT SUCCESS
- Christina Maslach FINDING SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEM OF BURNOUT
- Jean Twenge MODERN CULTURE AND INDIVIDUALISM: HAS SELF-FOCUS MADE US BETTER OR WORSE?

- Nancy Segal TWINS REARED APART: A WORLD TOUR OF SOURCES, FINDINGS AND NEW CASES
- Peter Ditto MORAL INTUITIONISM AND THE ILLUSION OF PUBLIC REASON
- PRESIDENT'S SYMPOSIUM PERSPECTIVES OF THE FAMILY: WHO KNOWS BEST?
- Roxane Cohen Silver COPING WITH LIFE'S PERSONAL AND COLLECTIVE TRAGEDIES
- Sara Mednick SLEEP SUPPORTS REST AND DIGEST... OF INFORMATION
- Sonja Lyubomirsky THE HOW, WHAT, AND WHY OF HAPPINESS: THE SCIENCE OF INTERVENTIONS AIMED AT INCREASING WELL-BEING
- Susan A. Nolan SCIENTIFIC LITERACY IN INTRODUCTORY PSYCHOLOGY: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE Allen Gottfried and Ronald E. Riggio - WHAT MAKES PEOPLE SUCCESSFUL? EARLY LIFE PREDICTORS OF ADULT SUCCESS)

The **WPA Statistics Workshop** program, coordinated by **Chris Aberson**, featured:

- APPLIED STATISTICAL POWER ANALYSIS,
 Christopher L. Aberson, Humboldt State University
- APPLIED MISSING DATA ANALYSIS, Craig Enders, University of California, Los Angeles
- UNDERSTANDING AND APPLYING MODERN ROBUST STATISTICAL METHODS, Rand R. Wilcox, University of Southern California
- ANALYZING MULTIPLE GROUP STRUCTURAL EQUATION MODELS, Jodie Ullman, California State University, San Bernardino







CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WPA AWARD RECIPIENTS



This and other WPA 2016 photos are in our gallery at

http://westernpsych.org/2016-convention-photos/

Photo Gallery





2016 WPA Student Research Award Winners



hanks to generous donations by WPA members and endowments administered by the Western Psychological Foundation, twenty students received awards at the **WPA Awards Ceremony** on Friday, April 29, 2016.

The following students received **WPA Student Scholarships**. All were first authors on a WPA presentation that received outstanding reviews by Program Committee reviewers: David B Newman (University of Southern California), Rhonda K. Rodgers (Claremont Graduate University), Noe F. Tesillo (University of California, Irvine), Sarah I. Ashley (University of San Francisco), Julia C. Singleton (University of California, Davis), Austin Sleeper (Point Loma Nazarene University), Bernajane M. Palisoc (University of Nevada, Las Vegas), Krissy Ruiz (California Baptist University), Andrew Budde (Eastern Washington University), Meagan M. Suen (California State University, Long Beach), Edwin J. Vazquez (Humboldt State University).

The Robert L Solso Research Awards were presented to Ekarin E. Pongpipat (San Diego State University), Siyuan Huang (San Diego State University), Sandra Vazquez Salas (Arizona State University.

The Christina Maslach-Philip Zimbardo Social Psychology Research Awards were presented to Greysi Geraldine Vizcardo-Solis (California State University, Long Beach), Alison G. Tan (Loma Linda University).

The Gottfried WPA Student Research Award in Developmental Psychology was presented to Duyen Trang (San Diego State University).

The recipient of the **Dr. Steven Ungerleider WPA Graduate Research Award** was Cynthia Hartman (Arizona State University)

Two new student research awards were established this year by longtime WPA members and Fellows Barbara Tabachnick and Scott C. Fraser.

The Barbara Tabachnick Award for Outstanding Application of **Quantitative Methods** was presented to Rosalyn G. Sandoval (California State University, Sacramento).

The Scott C. Fraser Student Research Award in Applied Psychology went to Jessica Quintanilla (University of California, Irvine)

The Multivariate Software Award provided by Multivariate Software, Inc that includes a license for EQS was given to Nathan Echols (San Diego State University).



These organizations were exhibitors at the 2016 convention:

American School of Professional Psychology Argosy University, San Francisco Bay Area

Arizona School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University

California School of Professional Psychology at Alliant International University

California State University, Fullerton

Claremont Graduate University, School of Social Science, Policy & Evaluation

Loma Linda University

National Register of Health Service Psychologists

Northwest University, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Palo Alto University

Phillips Graduate University

Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology

Sinauer Associates, Publishers

The Psych Store

University of La Verne

W.W. Norton & Company

Western Positive Psychology Association Worth Publishers

Support was provided for the convention program booklet by Multivariate Software, Inc (EQS and EQSIRT), American Psychological Association, McGraw-Hill, Psi Chi - The International Honor Society in Psychology, Therapy Notes, and Discovering Psychology (laurafreberg com).

Worth Publishers sponsored the Terman Teaching Conference breakfast.

Therapy Notes sponsored the Presidential Reception and Social Hour. Palo Alto University sponsored the Club WPA social.

WPA thanks these organizations for for their support.

2016 WPA Film Festival Winners



he WPA Film Festival this year was under the direction of Carrie M. Margolin; the projectionists were Tumika Durandisse, Madeline Foley, Terra Heatherly-Norton, and Donatella Mifflin, all from The Evergreen State College. As at previous conventions, we asked each person viewing a film to rate its overall quality, using a 5-point scale ranging from 1 (Very Poor) through 5 (Very Good). A majority (70%) of the films received Good (4) to Very Good (5) average ratings and the overall mean rating was 4.38. In this year's very close race, the top two films received mean ratings of 4.85 and 5.00; these were designated as our Film Festival Winners for their exceptional quality. See all rating results on page 14. If you missed these two outstanding films at the Film Festival, you will have another chance to see them during a special encore presentation at the 2017 WPA Convention.

If you missed these two outstanding films at the Film Festival, you will have another chance to see them during a special encore presentation at the 2016 WPA Convention:

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A Brave Heart: The Lizzie Velasquez Story (78 mins)

Born with a rare syndrome that prevents her from gaining weight, Elizabeth "Lizzie" Velasquez was first bullied as a child in school for looking different and, later online as a teenager when she discovered a YouTube video labeling her "The World's Ugliest Woman." The film chronicles details of Lizzie's physical and emotional journey up to her multi-million viewed TEDx talk, and follows her pursuit from a motivational speaker to Capitol Hill as she lobbies for the first federal anti-bullying bill.

Tugg Inc (2015; DVD, Blu-Ray). Rental price \$200 for universities; Purchase price \$375 for universities

Under the Mango Tree (30 mins)

An estimated 650,000 people in Ghana suffer from severe mental disorders, but both social perceptions and lack of resources prevent adequate care. Shekhinah Clinic is one of the few healthcare facilities that welcomes those suffering from mental illness without judgment, mistreatment, or force. Under the Mango Tree is a story of survival and selflessness as the clinic staff struggles to continue their work with few resources.

Motorking Productions (2015; DVD). Rental Price: Donation Purchase Price: Donation

The complete list of 2016 films including ratings of each film is available online at http://westernpsych.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/2016-Film-Festival-for-Program.pdf



WPA Film Festival Ratings

Due to the interest that WPA members have shown in obtaining information about the quality of each film shown at the convention, the mean ratings are listed below for the films, grouped according to content area. Please note that completion of the rating form was completely voluntary, and not all viewers chose to turn in the form. Our previous year's Film Festival winners were shown at a special encore presentation this year. Although highly rated once again, they were also not eligible to be Film Festival Winners.

1 = Very Poor 2 = Poor 3 = Fair 4 = Good 5 = Very Good

Catagory	Name of Film	Time	Distributor	Rating
COGNITIVE SCIENCE	From Mind to Brain: The History of Brain and Cognitive Sciences at MIT	32	Josh Kastorf, self-distributed	3.92
AUTISM	Autism in Love	75	GOOD DOCS	4.67
DEATH & DYING	Joanna	40	The Cinema Guild	4.09
PREJUDICE	Facing Fear	23	Bullfrog Films	4.25
	What Our Fathers Did: A Nazi Legacy	92	Bullfrog Films	4.04
	America 1979	14	Lila Yomtoob, self-distributed	3.75
BULLYING	A Brave Heart: The Lizzie Velasquez Story	78	Tugg Inc	4.85
	UnSlut: A Documentary Film	40	Tugg Inc	4.72
MEDIA STUDIES	Sex, Lies & Tabloids!	52	Icarus Films	3.50
SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY - FILM FESTIVAL SPECIAL EVENT	The Stanford Prison Experiment	122	IFC Films	4.71
AFTERMATH OF WAR	The Kill Team	79	Bullfrog Films	3.75
	A Baptism of Fire	52	Icarus Films	3.90
SUBSTANCE USE	Marijuana Today	35	Microtraining Associates	3.05
	Consequences and Recovery	42	Microtraining Associates	3.95
DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	The Raising of America: Early Childhood and the Future of Our Nation - Signature Hour	58	California Newsreel	4.46
EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY	Paper Tigers	102	Tugg Inc	4.50
	School of Babel	89	Icarus Films	4.00
WOMEN'S ISSUES	The Life & Crimes of Doris Payne	72	The Cinema Guild	4.33
	She's Beautiful When She's Angry	92	The Cinema Guild	4.74
	Radical Grace	86	The Cinema Guild	4.07
GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, & TRANSGENDER ISSUES	Limited Partnership	74	The Cinema Guild	4.82
	Masks	35	Icarus Films	3.47
RHERAPEUTIC ENDEAVOR	Under the Mango Tree	30	Motorking Productions	5.00
	Touching Memory	11	Iridescent Films	4.25
ART & HEALING	Because I Was a Painter	104	The Cinema Guild	4.00
	***WINNERS OF THE 2015 WPA FILM FI	ESTIVAL	***	
	Homecoming: Conversations with Combat PTSD	29	Trespass Productions	4.54
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2016 Terman Teaching Conference



The **Western Psychological Association** has long offered the Terman Teaching Conference on the day preceding its annual convention. This year, the Terman Teaching Conference was held on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Past Terman Conferences have been extremely successful under the longtime stewardship of Anne Duran, CSU Bakersfield.

This year's teaching conference was organized by **J. Kris Leppien-Christensen**, Saddleback College (Chair) and **Diane Simpson Brown**, Everett College (Associate Chair) with a major theme of assessment. The presenters were:

- The Nuts and Bolts of Highly Effective Teaching: Some More Thoughts, Eugene Wong, California State University, San Bernardino
- Fostering Mega-Cognitive Dialogues in Psychology Courses through the Reading Apprenticeship Model, Andrea Pantoja Garvey, American River College
- We Are Not Alverno College: Designing a Customized Assessment System for Closing the Loop at Any Institution, Sharon Hamill, California State University, San Marcos
- It's Time: Getting Serious about National Advocacy for Undergraduate Psychology Majors, R. Eric Landrum, Boise State University
- Intro Psych: What Are We Trying to Do? Sue Frantz, Highline Community College
- Beyond Compliance Making Student Learning Outcome Assessment More Useful, Jerry Rudman, Psi Beta Executive Director and Irvine Valley College
- A Quiet World: The Wonders of Hearing and Hearing Loss, David Myers, Hope College



2017 Multivariate Software Award: Call for Nominations

Submit

Peter Bentler and Eric Wu, creators of EQS structural equation modeling software and EQSIRT Item Response Theory software published by Multivariate Software, will award a license for EQS along with a cash prize to a student who presents outstanding multivariate research at the WPA convention. Students wishing to be considered for this award should email a research summary (1,200 word maximum) by January 2, 2017 to WPA, Chris Cozby at chris.wpa@gmail.com Please use the subject line: 2017 Multivariate Software Award

Nominations Sought For WPA Awards

Mark Costanzo (Claremont McKenna College) was appointed Chair of the WPA Fellows and Awards Committee following the retirement of Dr. Dale Berger. The committee is requesting nominations from members for awards in 2017 and beyond. The awards include the **Outstanding Teaching Award**, the **Early Career Research Award** (10 years post- Ph D or less), and the **E E Jones Award** in Psychotherapy and Clinical Research Members of WPA who have made outstanding and sustained contributions to psychology through research, teaching, or service to the profession are eligible to become WPA Fellows.

Please click the About WPA tab for links to nomination procedures and information on each of these awards and previous award winners. The deadline for receipt of all nominating materials is January 2. Nomination materials should be sent by email with attachments to Dr. Mark Costanzo, Chair, WPA Awards Committee, at Mark.Costanzo@cmc.edu Please identify all correspondence concerning a WPA award nomination with a Subject: line that begins with "WPA Award ..."







New WPA Fellows Announced

The Fellows and Awards Committee welcomed five new Fellows of the association:

- Steven Regeser Lopez, University of Southern California
- Rodolfo Mendoza-Denton, University of California, Berkeley
- Radmila Prislin, San Diego State University
- Heidi A. Wayment, Northern Arizona University
- Eugene H. Wong, California State University, San Bernardino

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