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Welcome Message from WPA President



Terry Cronan

I am honored to serve as President of the Western Psychological Association. My first research presentation was at the WPA convention as an undergraduate student before there were poster presentations; although it was a scary experience to stand and talk about my research before an audience, it was a truly memorable experience that I often describe to my students. I encourage all of them to attend the WPA convention because it provides them with an excellent professional and supportive environment that motivates them to make meaningful contributions to psychology. I am proud of all that WPA offers to both students and professionals.

This year marks the 97th anniversary of WPA! The 2018 convention will be held April 26 to 29 at the newly renovated Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront, in Portland, Oregon. The hotel is located downtown in the scenic waterfront area. The city has a lot to offer-- beautiful bridges, native art, art museums, a cultural district, wineries, and culinary delights of many sorts-- including the famous Voodoo doughnut! Portland's inherent excitement has been complemented by the convention program chairs, Alyson Burns-Glover, Heide Island, and Dawn Salgado from Pacific University, who have arranged an outstanding program with fabulous speakers including: Sarah Bowen, Troy Campbell, Thomas Doherty, Jennifer Freyd, Howard Friedman, Phillip Holcomb, Robert Kaplan, Shari Young Kuchenbecker, Eric Landrum, Steve Lindsay, Ksenija Marinekovic, Christina Maslach, Brian McNeill, Allen Omoto, W. Todd Schultz, Phillip Zimbardo, and others. The speakers represent a wide range of specialties including: addiction and treatment, aging, clinical, cross cultural issues, health, industrial/organizational, neurolinguistics, neurological effects of drinking, personality, positive psychology, social justice, social psychological issues, and teaching.

As always, the convention provides opportunities to learn about cutting edge research, to meet up with old friends, and to make new ones via social events and casual contacts.

As many of you know, WPA has new bylaws that are posted on the WPA website. We have recently appointed Dr. Christopher Warren as the Secretary and Dr. Melinda Blackman as the Treasurer of the WPA Board. We are delighted to have them join the Board and look forward to working with them. We are also working to refine the management and long-term planning abilities of the WPA, which will help us to provide more activities to increase the value of your membership and to facilitate more interactions among members. For instance, we are working to develop a Speakers Bureau. This would include online speakers and discussions. If you have suggestions or ideas along these lines, please email me at tcronan@mail.sdsu.edu. I would love to hear from you.

I hope you enjoy the rest of the summer and plan to attend our WPA Convention next spring!

Terry Cronan
Professor, San Diego State University



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE **2018 CONVENTION**

April 26-29

Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel

The Terman Teaching Conference | April 25

Our **distinguished speakers** will include
Sarah Bowen, Troy Campbell, Thomas J. Doherty,
Jennifer Freyd, Howard Friedman, Phillip Holcomb,
Robert M. Kaplan, Shari Young Kuchenbecker,
Eric Landrum, Steve Lindsay, Ksenija Marinekovic,
Christina Maslach, Brian McNeill, Allen Omoto,
W. Todd Schultz, and Philip Zimbardo,
with more to be announced on the WPA website.

Begin planning to submit your research to the
program and to attend the convention in 2018.

The **Call for Proposals** with detailed instructions
for submitting will be on the **WPA website**
<http://westernpsych.org>.



CONVENTION HOST

P O R T L A N D

Laura Freberg WPA President-Elect

WPA is pleased to announce the election of Dr. Laura Freberg as President-Elect. Dr. Freberg will serve on the WPA Board for a 3-year period and will be our WPA President during 2018-2019. Dr. Freberg earned her undergraduate, master's, and doctoral degrees in psychology from UCLA. Her interests are in biological psychology, and she authored a book on the topic: *Discovering Behavioral Neuroscience: An Introduction to Biological Psychology*, and co-authored a textbook in introductory psychology with John Cacciopo, *Discovering Psychology: The Science of Mind*, now in its second edition. In her spare time, she maintains an award-winning blog in which she interacts with students in courses that use her textbooks.

Dr. Freberg is a long-time member of WPA where she had brought her young daughters to the convention when she was a junior faculty member. She is excited to be the President-Elect and has some ideas on how WPA can serve its membership even better in the coming years.



Message from Jeff Mio, Executive Officer

It is with regret that I will be leaving this office. The organization will probably be better served by an organization that can dedicate 100% to WPA matters as opposed to my situation, where I am still an active professor having to split my time between WPA and my teaching duties. I will be staying on through a transition period to assist where I can, and I will still be attending WPA Conventions, bringing my students to the convention. It has been an honor to serve you for this past year.



Kimberley Duff
Received the 2017 WPA Teaching Award

Dr. Kimberley Duff is a professor of psychology at Cerritos College, CA, and has received over fifteen awards for Outstanding Teaching and Mentorship during her career. She has served as a faculty advisor to several student psychology clubs over the years, and, notably, her Psi Beta chapter is one of the most active chapters in the nation. Even though there is no funding for student research, she is able to maintain an active research program for her students and takes an average of twenty students a year to regional conferences to present their research. Remarkably, Dr. Duff stays in touch with 80% of her former students, and she has developed a mentoring website that showcases her current and past students' research projects, as well as their biographies. Dr. Duff is frequently asked to present talks at psychology conferences on "Best Teaching Practices" throughout the country.



Stacey Doan received the
2017 Early Career Research Award

Stacey Doan is Assistant Professor of Health Psychology at Claremont McKenna College (CMC). She earned her Ph.D. and M.A. degrees in Developmental Psychology from Cornell University, and her B.A. degree in Psychology from Carleton College. Dr. Doan's research interests are in the areas of emotions, stress, and health. Her work is at the intersection of socioemotional development, self-regulation and coping, and stress among children. More specifically, she studies how sociocultural factors such as culture and poverty can shape children's responses to risk and stress, and she looks at both physical health outcomes and psychological wellbeing.

While still early in her career, Dr. Doan is a remarkably productive scholar. To date, she has published 24 journal articles and five book chapters, and she has a co-authored book on Social Emotions in preparation. Even more impressive than the numbers is the quality of the journal outlets for her work, with recent publications in top-tier journals such as Developmental Psychology, Child Development, and Health Psychology. She has funding from the National Institute of Drug Abuse, and she has previously received funding from the Teagle Foundation, Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, and the JumpStart Foundation.

In addition to her active research and impressive list of publications, Dr. Doan maintains a strong commitment to teaching and to training students. She teaches introductory, developmental, and health psychology at CMC. Dr. Doan is particularly keen on mentoring first-generation and minority college students in and out of the classroom. She works closely with student organizations to expose these students to research, as well as often serving on panels to discuss cultural issues around mental health and health disparities.



Jodie B. Ullman
Recognized for Service to WPA

Dr. Ullman received her Ph.D. in psychology from UCLA in 1997, with a specialty in measurement and psychometrics. She has been a professor at CSU San Bernardino since 1996, serving as the Director of the General Experimental Psychology Graduate Program from 2011–2014, the Chair of CSU San Bernardino's Faculty Senate from 2010–2013, and a Special Assistant to the Provost on her campus from 2014–2015. She has also served the American Psychological Association in a variety of roles, including Chair of the APA Board of Educational Affairs and the Master's Education Task Force, all while publishing over 40 journal articles and book chapters.

Dr. Ullman's service to WPA has been substantial. She has been a long-time reviewer of abstracts for WPA Conventions, she served as the Statistics Workshop Coordinator in 2006–2013 and also as the overall Convention Program Chair for the 2006 Convention, the Secretary/Treasurer for 2008–2013, and the President Elect, President, and Past President from 2013–2016. In addition to her leadership service in WPA, she is proud to have been a presenter at the Statistics Workshops, the Terman Teaching Conference, and the WPA conference. She is a Fellow of both WPA and APA, and was honored to be awarded the WPA Outstanding Teaching Award in 2012.



Shelley E. Taylor
Recognized with WPA Lifetime Achievement Award

Shelley E. Taylor has had a long and distinguished career in psychology. After receiving her Ph.D. in social psychology from Yale University in 1972, she was one of the foremost authorities in social cognition. She received an American Psychological Association Distinguished Scientific Award for an Early Career contribution to Psychology because of her work in this area. However, this bold psychologist decided to change focus and to specialize in the budding field of health psychology, and the textbook she wrote in this area is one of the staples in the field. From her work in health psychology, she continued to deepen her interests in subsets of this area, such as providing social support, the benefits of a nurturing environment, and her current main interest of socioemotional support.

Dr. Taylor has received numerous awards for her work besides the APA Early Career Award, such as the Donald Campbell Award for Distinguished Scientific Contribution to the Field of Social Psychology, the Distinguished Scientific Contribution Award from APA, the Thomas M. Ostrom Award for Outstanding Lifetime Contributions to Theory and Research in Social Cognition, the Distinguished Scientist Award from the Society of Experimental Social Psychology, the Lifetime Achievement Award from APA, and election to the National Academy of Sciences. Throughout the years, Dr. Taylor has published over 500 articles, chapters, and books. She was the co-editor of the very influential Annual Review of Psychology, along with her influential textbook in health psychology, now in its 9th edition, and other books of note.



2017 Social Responsibility Award to William Crano

Dr. William Crano has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the WPA Social Responsibility Award. The committee selected Dr. Crano because of the prodigious and lifetime contributions he has made across his entire career by applying research to social justice issues. For example, Dr. Crano has applied principles of social psychology to social justice issues involving the reduction of health disparities in vulnerable and underrepresented populations, and the use of social psychology in persuasion and social influence to reduce substance abuse across varied populations. He is the author of hundreds of research publications, and has an active research lab in which students are trained to continue his seminal work. His research has been funded by federal agencies, such as the National Institute on Drug Abuse. His research has served to inform social policy at the U. S. governmental, and international levels. He has served as an advisor to the Surgeon General of the United States (2011), and he is an advisor to the U. S. State Department in training drug prevention professionals in such places as Southeast Asia and the Middle East, and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, where his advice on narcotics and prevention is sought. Dr. Crano has received numerous professional honors and distinctions, such as Fellow of APA, APS, the Federal level, and at his university. The Social Responsibility award is special because those who receive it have made significant contributions to the welfare of the public.



Enrico E. Jones Clinical Psychology Research Award to Michael Levin

Dr. Michael Levin's research is focused on the use of web/mobile technologies to improve the efficiency, efficacy, and reach of mental health services. This work has primarily been on the transdiagnosis of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) to problems including depression, anxiety, addictions, and weight management. Example projects include developing and evaluating an online prevention program targeting mental health problems in college students, an online adjunctive ACT program for college counselors to use with student clients, and on a mobile app designed to enhance ACT skills training for depressed and anxious clients.

Dr. Levin's research emphasizes the examination of mechanisms of change and treatment components as a way to further improve self-guided therapeutic interventions, as well as to inform clinical practice. For example, he published a meta-analysis evaluating the treatment components of ACT in Behavior Therapy, which has already been cited 166 times. Dr. Levin is conducting several clinical trials evaluating

the isolated and combined components of ACT through online interventions, and is using ecological momentary assessment methods to conduct more fine-grained analyses of ACT's mechanisms of change.

Dr. Levin has published approximately 60 scholarly articles and chapters, primarily in the areas of ACT and web/mobile interventions. His work has been cited over 1,700 times, with a current h-index of 19 based on Google Scholar. Dr. Levin's research has been supported by grants from the National Institutes of Health, American Cancer Society, International OCD foundation, Alan and Jeanne Hall Foundation, and Society for a Science of Clinical Psychology.





2017 WPA Convention Featured Outstanding Program in Sacramento

The 2017 WPA Convention was a huge success, with over 2,600 attendees. The meeting was hosted by the **California State University, Sacramento**. **Rebecca Cameron** and **Lawrence Meyers** served as Program Co-Chairs. **Drs. Cameron** and **Meyers** and WPA President **Joan Tucker** 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, and the Society for the Teaching of Psychology. Conversation hours with a number of these speakers were organized by **Paige Murwin** (Arizona State University), the WPA Graduate Student Council Representative. A synopsis of each of these invited presentations can be found in the 2017 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 2017 program with the **WPA convention app**. Download it to your computer at <http://www.eventmobi.com/wpa2017>. Please note that this may not work efficiently on a smart phone, but it will work on an iPad.

Take a look at our **gallery of photos** at <http://westernpsych.org/2017-convention-photos/>.

Thanks to WPA member **Dr. Shari Young Kuchenbecker** (Western

Positive Psychology Association) for volunteering to serve as our photographer.

Joan S. Tucker (RAND Corporation) delivered the WPA presidential address, **HELPING THE HOMELESS: WHAT'S THE ROLE OF PSYCHOLOGY?** This was followed by the president's reception, sponsored by **Therapy Notes**.

Heidi Riggio (California State University, Los Angeles) gave the WPA Teaching Award address: **REALITY BITES: CHALLENGING CHERISHED STUDENT BELIEFS**.

The WPA Early Career Research Award address was given by **Cameron L. Neece** (Loma Linda University): **FAMILIES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES: A DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOPATHOLOGY PERSPECTIVE**.

The E. E. Jones Clinical Research Award address was given by **Joshua K Swift** (Idaho State University): **THE ROLE OF THE CLIENT IN PSYCHOTHERAPY: RESEARCH ON CLIENT VARIABLES RELATED TO PSYCHOTHERAPY INITIATION, PREMATURE TERMINATION, AND OUTCOMES**.

The Psi Chi Distinguished Speaker was **Peter H. Kahn, Jr.** (University of Washington), and his talk was entitled: **HUMANS INTERACTING WITH NATURE AND TECHNOLOGICAL SYSTEMS: TOWARD A DESIGN METHODOLOGY FOR URBAN SUSTAINABILITY**.

Psi Chi also sponsored two other distinguished speakers. **Paul Hettich**

(DePaul University) was the Psi Chi Career Speaker, and his talk was entitled: **CREATING A SKILLS PATH TO YOUR "FRESHMAN YEAR" IN THE WORKPLACE WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE**, and **Stanley Sue** (University of California, Davis, Emeritus) was the Psi Chi Distinguished Diversity Speaker, whose talk was entitled: **CULTURAL COMPETENCY: THE STORIES BEHIND THE STORY**. The Psi Chi program was organized by **Ethan McMahan** (Western Oregon University).

Joan S. Tucker also organized a Presidential Symposium, entitled **NON-ACADEMIC CAREER PATHS IN PSYCHOLOGY: ADVICE FROM THE EXPERTS**. This symposium featured **Bryan Baldwin** (California Department of Human Resources), **David Black** (Cordico), Robin Black (Federal Bureau of Investigation), and **Le Onda Clark Harvey** (California State Assembly Committee on Business and Professions), besides **Dr. Tucker**, who works at the RAND Corporation.

Philip Zimbardo (Stanford/Palo Alto University), **Bob Levine** (California State University, Fresno), and **Harold Takooshian** (Fordham University) hosted a program showing the film "The Witness" and discussing how the Kitty Genovese case was reported incorrectly, but led to a series of studies on the bystander effect. This program was entitled: **THE CURIOUS CASE OF KITTY GENOVESE: HOW A FABRICATED STORY LED TO INCREASED UNDERSTANDING OF BYSTANDER APATHY**.

Once again, we thank **Palo Alto University** for sponsoring the WPA dance on Friday night.



The Society for the Teaching of Psychology (STP) program was organized by **Heidi Riggio** (California State University, Los Angeles). It included the STP Last Lecture, featuring presentations by **Steve Luck** (University of California, Davis), **Jerry Rudmann** (Irvine Valley College), and **Kimberley Duff** (Cerritos College). The STP Distinguished Speaker was **Brigitte Matthies** (California State University, Los Angeles), whose talk was entitled: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE: COMBINING CRITICAL THINKING, RESEARCH METHODS, AND ADVISING.

Other presentations by distinguished speakers included:

- **Sharon Hamill** (California State University, San Marcos): CRYING FOR HELP: YOUNG CAREGIVERS IN NEED OF SUPPORT FOR FAMILY CAREGIVING, PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED DYING, AND BEREAVEMENT.
- **Josef I. Ruzek** (National Center for PTSD, VA Palo Alto Health Care System): TREATMENT IMPROVEMENT IN PTSD AND MENTAL HEALTH.
- **Karen S. Rook** (University of California, Irvine): THE SOCIAL CONTEXT OF CHRONIC ILLNESS MANAGEMENT: HOW OTHERS HELP OR HINDER.
- **Dean Keith Simonton** (University of California, Davis): CREATIVITY, AUTOMATICITY, IRRITATIONALITY, FORTUITY, FANTASY, AND OTHER CONTINGENCIES: AN EIGHTFOLD RESPONSE TYPOLOGY.
- **Marguerita Lightfoot** (University of California, San Francisco): PREVENTION IN THE DIGITAL AGE: TECH, TEXT, AND THRIVE.
- **Nolan Zane** (University of California, Davis):

ADDRESSING THE ELEPHANT(S) IN THE SESSION FOR CLIENTS FROM SHAME-BASED CULTURES: EVIDENCE-BASED STRATEGIES FOR MITIGATING STIGMA, SHAME, AND FACE LOSS.

- **Serena Chen** (University of California, Berkeley): ME WHEN I'M WITH YOU: HOW SIGNIFICANT OTHERS INFLUENCE THE SELF IN PRESENT AND FUTURE RELATIONSHIPS.
- **Amber M. Gaffney** (Humboldt State University): THE ROLE OF SOCIAL IDENTITY POLITICS IN CONSTRUCTING THE RED-BLUE DIVIDE.
- **Judith Torney-Purta** (University of Maryland): INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH IN THE BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES.
- **Delia S. Saenz** (Arizona State University): CONTEMPORARY BIAS TOWARD AN AGE-OLD COUPLING ARRANGEMENT: VIEWS OF 'SUGAR BABY/SUGAR DADDY' RELATIONSHIPS.
- **Lynette H. Bikos** (Seattle Pacific University): RE-ENTRY FROM ABROAD: PLOTTING THE PATHWAY HOME.
- **Simine Vazire** (University of California, Davis): SAFER SCIENCE: MAKING PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE MORE REPLICABLE.
- **Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi** (Claremont Graduate University): PSYCHOLOGY IN ACTION: SOME RECENT APPLICATIONS.
- **Harold Takooshian** (Fordham University): 125 YEARS LATER: TEN SURPRISING FACTS ABOUT INTERNATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY.
- **Linda R. Mona** (VA Long Beach Healthcare System):

CULTURALLY COMPETENT SEXUAL HEALTHCARE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

- **Robert Gifford** (University of Victoria): THE DRAGONS OF INACTION AND OTHER BEASTLY NARCISSISMS.
- **Bella DePaulo** (University of California, Santa Barbara): WHAT NO ONE EVER TOLD YOU ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE SINGLE.
- **Gail S. Goodman** (University of California, Davis): CHILDHOOD TRAUMA, MEMORY, AND SUGGESTIBILITY.

The WPA Statistics Workshop program, coordinated by **Chris Aberson** (Humboldt State University) featured:

- Greg Hurtz (California State University, Sacramento): STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF OUR METHODS OF STATISTICAL ANALYSIS: AN INTRODUCTION TO MONTE CARLO RESEARCH.
- Kathleen S. J. Preston (California State University, Fullerton): A GENTLE INTRODUCTION TO R.
- Shelley A. Blosis (University of California, Davis): LATENT GROWTH CURVE ANALYSIS.
- Christopher L. Aberson (Humboldt State University): INTERMEDIATE PROGRAMMING AND ANALYSES IN R.

Speed Research Mentoring

For the second year in a row, **Melinda Blackman** (California State University, Fullerton) organized two Speed Research Mentoring sessions, where students were able to interact with various professors about their research and ways of designing studies.





CONGRATULATIONS



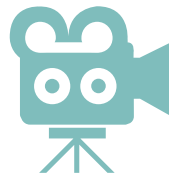
**Download the Award Recipients PDF
and see all of the convention photos.**

Award Recipients PDF

Photo Gallery



2017 WPA Film Festival Winners



The **WPA Film Festival** this year was under the **direction of Carrie M. Margolin**; the projectionists were Georgia Berry, Julia Christian, Joanne Pack, and Julia Rogers, 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 (95%) of the films received Good (4) to Very Good (5) average ratings, and the overall mean rating was 4.52. In this year's very close race, the top two films received mean ratings of 4.86 and 4.88; these were designated as our Film Festival Winners for their exceptional quality. 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 2018 WPA Convention:



Memories of a Penitent Heart (72 mins)

Combining a wealth of recently discovered home movies, video, and written documents with artfully shot contemporary interviews and vérité footage, *Memories of a Penitent Heart* is a documentary that cracks open a Pandora's box of unresolved family drama. The intimate lens of the film refracts on a wider cultural context: the AIDS crisis of the 1980s and 1990s, and, in particular, how families treat their LGBT members in a Latin American cultural and religious context. A story about the mistakes of the past and the second chances of the present, *Memories of a Penitent Heart* is a cautionary tale about the unresolved conflicts wrought by AIDS, and a nuanced exploration of how faith is used and abused in times of crisis.

GOOD DOCS (2016; DVD)

Rental price N/A

Purchase price \$349



The Return (83 mins)

In 2012, California amended its "Three Strikes" law -- one of the harshest criminal sentencing policies in the country. The passage of Prop. 36 marked the first time in U.S. history that citizens voted to shorten sentences of those currently incarcerated. *The Return* examines this unprecedented reform through the eyes of those on the front lines -- prisoners suddenly freed and grappling with life outside the prison walls, families turned upside down, reentry providers helping navigate complex transitions, and attorneys and judges wrestling with an untested law.

Bullfrog Films (2016; DVD)

Rental price \$95

Purchase price \$350



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 here 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.

Consequently, a few of the films were rated by only a small number of viewers (indicated here with a *); for statistical considerations those were not eligible to be designated as winners (even with high ratings). 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

Name of Film	Time	Distributor	Rating
ECCENTRICITIES & ADDICTIONS			
Almost There	93	The Cinema Guild	4.08
Cinematica	83	The Cinema Guild	4.50
Dr. Feelgood - Dealer or Healer?	84	Bullfrog Films	4.46
AUTISM			
Latest News from the Cosmos	85	Icarus Films	4.19
WOMEN'S ISSUES			
The Abortion Hotline	57	The Cinema Guild	4.54
Miriam: Home Delivery	81	The Cinema Guild	4.28
CRIMINAL JUSTICE			
The Return	83	Bullfrog Films	4.86
91%: A Film about Guns in America	71	The Cinema Guild	4.00
MENTAL ILLNESS			
Althusser, an Intellectual Adventure	55	Icarus Films	3.80
Liberation: The User's Guide	80	Icarus Films	5.00*
ADOPTION			
Somewhere Between	88	GOOD DOCS	4.69
GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, & TRANSGENDER ISSUES			
Denial	92	Bullfrog Films	4.39
Memories of a Penitent Heart	72	GOOD DOCS	4.88
FAMILIES			
States of Grace	74	New Day Films	4.35
Look at Us Now, Mother!	84	TUGG EDUCATIONAL & KIRSCHENBAUM PRODUCTIONS, LLC	4.76
SOCIAL ISSUES			
City of Trees	76	The Cinema Guild	4.50
DEPRESSION & SUICIDE			
Left on Purpose	60	GOOD DOCS	4.68
RACIAL ISSUES			
Agents of Change	66	California Newsreel	4.78
Raising Bertie	102	The Cinema Guild	4.50
AT-RISK YOUTH			
The Bad Kids	84	GOOD DOCS	4.52
WINNERS OF THE 2016 WPA FILM FESTIVAL			
Under the Mango Tree	30	Motorking Productions	4.81
A Brave Heart: The Lizzie Velasquez Story	78	ro*co Films	4.79



2017 Student Research Awards

Generous Donors Fund Twenty Student Research Awards

Thanks 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 28, 2017.

2017 Student Scholarships

The following students received **WPA Student Scholarships**.

All were first authors on a WPA presentation that received outstanding reviews by Program Committee reviewers: Paul Winakur and Makayla Gray (co-first authors, Northern Arizona University), Andrea Barrera (CSU San Bernardino), Angelica Chakos (Loma Linda University), Zachary Goodman (CSU Sacramento), Miranda Henein (CSU Long Beach), Verdah Kazi (University of San Francisco), Claudia D. Manes (Albizu University), Isabel Mendiola (Claremont McKenna College), Dottie Rhoten (Point Loma Nazareen University), Jianmin Shao (Soka University of America).

The Robert L. Solso Research Awards were presented to Alica Corrales (CSU Long Beach), Catherine Grosz (CSU Northridge), and Christina A. Nicolaides (UC Riverside).

The Christina Maslach-Philip Zimbardo Social Psychology Research Awards were presented to Alexandra Bitter (Point Loma Nazarene University) and Angela Hart (CSU Stanislaus).

The Gottfried WPA Student Research Award in Developmental Psychology was presented to Brittney Hernandez (CSU Fullerton).

The Dr. Steven Ungerleider WPA Graduate Research Award was presented to Kimberley Potter (San Diego State University).

The Barbara Tabachnick Award for Outstanding Application of Quantitative Methods was presented to Rosalyn G. Sandoval (CSU Sacramento).

The Scott C. Fraser Student Research Award in Applied Psychology was presented to Ekaterina Aladjieva (University of Washington).

The Multivariate Software Award provided by Multivariate Software, Inc., which includes a license for EQS, was presented to Daniel Rose (Arizona State University).

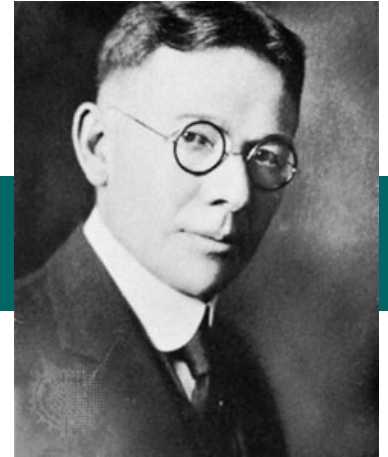
These organizations were exhibitors at the 2017 convention:

American Psychological Association Bookstore
American School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University
Azusa Pacific University
California Department of State Hospitals
California Lutheran University
California School of Professional Psychology at Alliant International University
California State University, San Bernardino
Claremont Graduate University
Kaiser Permanente North Valley
Loma Linda University
Oxford University Press
Palo Alto University
Phillips Graduate University
Psi Chi, The International Honor Society in Psychology
Seattle Pacific University
Sinauer Associates
Sona Systems
The Psych Store
Therapy Notes
University of LaVerne
University of San Francisco - School of Nursing and Health Professions
Western Positive Psychology Association

WPA thanks these organizations for their support.



2017 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 26, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. This year's teaching conference was again organized by J. Kris Leppien-Christensen, Saddleback College (Chair) and Diane Simpson Brown, Everett College (Associate Chair). The major theme this year was on teaching difficult topics. The presenters were:

- Word Links: An activity to Reinforce Terms. Anne Duran, CSU Bakersfield.
- Making it Relevant: Teaching the "Hard Classes" aka Statistics. Jodie B. Ullman, CSU San Bernardino.
- The Role of Animal Research in Psychology. John Capitanio, UC Davis.
- Becoming America's Next Top Model [Teacher]: An Evidence-Based Guide. Aaron Richmond, Metropolitan State University of Denver.
- Apprenticeship-Learning Models in Psychology: Deep Learning Practices through Student Voices. Luis A. Vega, Clarissa Cano, Ariel Lee, Gyzelle Hurtado, Rodolfo Arango, and Cristian Rojas, CSU Bakersfield.
- Teaching Controversy: Sexuality and Related Topics. Heidi Riggio, CSU Los Angeles.



2018 Multivariate Software Award: Call for Nominations

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, 2018 to WPA. Please use the subject line: 2018 Multivariate Software Award.

DEADLINE
for Nominations
JAN. 2!



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Nominations Sought For WPA Awards

Mark Costanzo (Claremont McKenna College), Chair of the WPA Fellows and Awards Committee, is requesting nominations from members for awards in 2018 and beyond. The awards include the Outstanding Teaching Award, the Early Career Research Award (10 or fewer years post-Ph.D.), the Social Responsibility Award, and the Enrico 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.

From the [WPA](#) website 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 . . .”



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New WPA Fellows Announced

The Fellows and Awards Committee welcomed three new Fellows of the Association:

- Kimberley Barchard, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Jon Grahe, Pacific Lutheran University
- Sharon Hamill, CSU San Marcos

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