Call for Award Submissions

2021 African American Communication and Culture Division and Black Caucus Outstanding Research Awards

The African American Communication and Culture Division (AACCD) and the Black Caucus of NCA seek nominations from division and caucus members for the 2021 annual research awards. Awards will be granted to the author(s) of theory and/or research on specific issues concerning African Americans, Black ethnicity, or people of the African Diaspora representing a variety of communication contexts, processes, practices, theory development, or innovative research approaches. There will be one award for an outstanding refereed article; one for an outstanding book chapter; and one award for an outstanding book.

Please note: the outstanding book award and dissertation award will alternate each year, which means the board will accept dissertation award nominations for the 2022 NCA conference.

Nominations will only be accepted for works that (1) are published between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 and (2) have at least one author who is a NCA member.

Award recipients will be announced during the division business meeting at the NCA convention in Seattle, WA and award winners will receive their plaque via mail. For details of each award, please read the calls listed below.

Call for 2021 Outstanding Scholarly Article Award Nominations
Deadline: Sunday, July 25, 2021

The African American Communication and Culture Division and Black Caucus seek nominations for its 2021 Outstanding Article Award to be given to the author(s) of a peer-reviewed journal article. Articles published between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 are eligible for consideration. Self-nominations for the article award are strongly encouraged. All letters of nomination should clearly express how the article makes, or promises to make, a significant contribution to African American communication scholarship. Please send the nomination letter and electronic copy of the article (preferably as a PDF) to Dr. Dianna Watkins-Dickerson at diannawatkinsdickerson@gmail.com. If an electronic version is not available, please send four (4) copies of the nomination and article to the address below. All nominations must be postmarked no later than Sunday, July 25, 2021 in order to be considered for the award. Please note that nominations will not be considered without receipt of the accompanying publication.

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Call for 2021 Outstanding Book Chapter Award Nominations
Deadline: Sunday, July 25, 2021
The African American Communication and Culture Division and Black Caucus seek nominations for its 2020 Outstanding Book Chapter Award to be given to the author(s) of a chapter or essay appearing in an edited book. Articles or book chapters published between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 are eligible for consideration. Self-nominations for the article award are strongly encouraged. All letters of nomination should clearly explain how the book chapter makes, or promises to make, a significant contribution to African American communication scholarship. Please send the nomination letter and electronic copy of the book chapter (preferably as a PDF) to Dr. Dianna Watkins-Dickerson at diannawatkinsdickerson@gmail.com. If an electronic version is not available, please send four (4) copies of the nomination and book chapter to the address below. All nominations must be postmarked no later than Sunday, July 25, 2021 in order to be considered for the award. Please note that nominations will not be considered without receipt of the accompanying book chapter.

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The African American Communication and Culture Division and Black Caucus seek nominations for its 2021 Outstanding Book Award. All are welcome to nominate deserving scholarship. Eligible books must have been published between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. The nomination packet must include a cover letter written by the nominating individual along with the following: 1) a 500-word (maximum) abstract of the book; 2) an article-length report of the book (32 double-spaced pages maximum—includes title page, tables, figures, appendices, and references) OR a selection from the book the applicant thinks is most representative of the study (32 double-spaced pages maximum). Please send the nomination letter and electronic copy of the book document (preferably as a PDF) to Dr. Dianna Watkins-Dickerson at diannawatkinsdickerson@gmail.com. If an electronic version is not available, please send four (4) copies of the nomination and book to the address below. All nominations must be postmarked no later than Sunday, July 25, 2021 in order to be considered for the award. Please note that nominations will not be considered without receipt of the accompanying documents.

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