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Submit to the 107th Annual Convention Today!

"When this ultimate crisis comes...when there is no way out - that is the very moment when we explode from within and the totally other emerges: the sudden surfacing of a strength, a security of unknown origin, welling up from beyond reason, rational expectation, and hope. " -- Émile Durkheim

When we gather for our 107th Annual Convention in Seattle, we will consider how and why our contributions as Communication scholars, teachers, and professionals matter now more than ever. The numerous crises that we continue to endure have taxed our resolve, yet we also have risen to meet them. The 107th Annual Convention theme of "Renewal and Transformation" invites us to reflect upon the extraordinary times in which we are living and how we have engaged these personal and professional challenges.

We welcome submissions that consider how "Renewal" and "Transformation" both are essential processes in our present moment. To renew is to begin again after an interruption, and to take stock of our commitments and values. As you consider submissions for the Annual Convention, we invite examinations of how you are engaging in regeneration and reconstruction in your scholarship, teaching, and service. We also welcome submissions that consider "Transformation" as essential to our discipline and association. Even as they tax us, moments of crisis are rich with possibilities. At our Convention, we will engage in dialogues that envision powerful changes that can improve the communities in which we work, live, and serve.

Let's make this an extraordinary convention for an extraordinary time!

--[Roseann M. Mandziuk](#), NCA First Vice President, Texas State University

Teachers on Teaching: Call for Submissions

The NCA Teachers on Teaching series celebrates innovative, impactful, and exemplary Communication teachers at all academic levels. Each session in the series showcases outstanding professors who share their stories of classroom successes, challenges, and "teachable moments." To highlight the reciprocal relationship between teachers and students, the sessions also feature a cohort of current and/or former students who offer remarks attesting to the teacher's positive influence on their academic, intellectual, and professional lives.

The Teachers on Teaching series is a great way to honor outstanding Communication professors who are inspirational teachers, dedicated mentors, and have made a difference through their work. For more information, including nomination requirements, please visit [NCA Convention Central](#).

Convention Resource Library

Helpful information covering all aspects of the submission process, as well as general convention information, is available in the [Convention Resource Library](#). The Convention Resource Library is designed to assist you in the submission process, especially if this is your first time submitting or need a refresher. Access step-by-step webinars and PowerPoints instructing individuals on how to create a submission, [information on ensuring an unidentifiable copy of your paper](#), [tips on creating a successful submission](#), the [Professional Standards for Convention Participants](#), and a list of [frequently asked questions](#).

106th Annual Convention General Session Recordings

The 106th Annual Convention general session videos are now available.

The [NCA Opening Session](#) "Mental Health at the Crossroads: Intersections in Health and Society," featured both NCA members and community members examining the factors that impact mental health and mental health treatment. Specifically, panelists examined ways in which mental health intersects with race, gender, sexual orientation, educational attainment, and income. The NCA Opening Session was sponsored by the [Waterhouse Family Institute for the Study of Communication and Society](#).

The [Carroll C. Arnold Distinguished Lecture](#), "The Challenge of Global Whiteness," was delivered by Thomas K. Nakayama, Northeastern University. Nakayama discussed how whiteness is not simply about racialization, but about a much larger and entrenched system that is shaped by local, national and global contexts. Looking to the past and the present, the global and the local, this presentation used a dialectical approach to expose the ways that these tensions give rise to whiteness.

NCA President Kent A. Ono delivered the [Presidential Address](#), "Civic Activism and Social Justice: Leading NCA As/Through Change." His address explored the need for "civic activism," activism on behalf of people, leading itself as change (meaning that one's very presence is both a sign of and an active part of change) as well as leading during tremendous and challenging historical circumstances. The NCA Presidential Address and Awards Presentation was sponsored by [Routledge, Taylor & Francis](#).

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