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Happy Saturday! The Awards Ceremony is at 5:30 PM in Salon 6.

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January 9, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the next-to-the-last day of the LSA Annual Meeting! Please read on for some tips to help you make the most of it.

#### Registration

Registration will be open at 8:00 AM. Registration counters are in the Marquis Ballroom Foyer near the escalators.

#### Exit Survey

As you leave the Annual Meeting, please take a moment to fill out our [exit survey](#). Your responses will help inform our planning for future meetings.

#### Expert Consultancy Sessions

We are offering 15-minute consultation sessions with experts on topics such as applying to grad school, research funding, being on the job market, careers on higher education and beyond academia, professional self-presentation, explaining your research to job search committees, and more. Sign up for one [here](#).

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### Exhibit Hall

The Exhibit Hall will be open from 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM in Salon 6.

Complimentary hot beverages will be served from 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM and 3:30 - 4:30 PM. Get the exhibitor passport in your registration packet stamped by each exhibitor and bring it to the LSA booth, where you can spin the Prize Wheel for a chance at complimentary LSA memberships, meeting registrations, LSA swag, and more.

### Student Lounge

The student lounge will be open from 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM in Salon 11, offering complimentary hot beverages, snacks, and free wifi for our student attendees.

### Saturday Committee Meetings and Office Hours

- Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL), 7:30 - 9:00 AM, Shaw Room
- Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics (COSWL), 9:00 - 10:30 AM, Cherry Blossom
- Ethics Committee, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Scarlet Oak
- Center for Applied Linguistics Office Hours, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM, Cherry Blossom Room
- *Language* Editor Office Hours: 10:00 - 11:00 AM, Silver Linden
- Editor of *Semantics and Pragmatics* Office Hours: 12:00 - 2:00 PM at the LSA Booth in the Exhibit Hall
- 2017 Linguistic Institute Office Hours, 3:00 - 6:00 PM, Silver Linden

### Saturday Special Events

- Special Panel on Hate Speech, 9:00 - 10:30 AM, Shaw Room
- Invited Plenary Address. Patricia Keating (University of California, Los Angeles), "Voice Quality Variation Within and Across Languages." 12:45 - 1:45 PM, Salon 6
- Linguistics Beyond Academia Career Mixer, 3:30 - 5:00 PM, George Washington University Room
- Awards Ceremony, 5:30 - 6:00 PM, Salon 6
- Presidential Address. John R. Rickford (Stanford University), "Language and Linguistics on Trial: Hearing Vernacular Speakers in Courtrooms and Beyond." 6:00 - 7:00 PM, Salon 6
- Presidential Reception, 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Independence Ballroom (Meeting

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### Local Information

Our headquarters hotel, the Marriott Marquis Washington, DC, is located in a thriving commercial and residential area convenient to public transit, restaurants, and more. For those of you not familiar with Washington, DC, locals have prepared a [guide to transportation, dining, sightseeing and nightlife](#), with a focus on areas accessible from the hotel.

### Weather Forecast

Today's forecast is for a fairly typical Washington winter day: high 53, low 47, and cloudy, with only a 10 percent chance of rain, mostly towards evening. Please dress appropriately if you're leaving the hotel.

### Navigating the Hotel!

All LSA sessions as well as meetings of the American Name Society and the Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics will take place on Meeting Level 2, two levels below the lobby. Take the escalators or elevators to M2. Sessions of the American Dialect Society, the North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences, the Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas, and The Association for Linguistic Evidence will meet on Meeting Level 3 (M3), one level lower. Ask any uniformed hotel staff member or any LSA meeting attendee with a "Staff" or "Volunteer" ribbon on their badge. Meeting room diagrams on pages 9-10 of the Handbook and electronic signage throughout the hotel can also help you find your way.

### Registration Area PowerPoint

A PowerPoint slide presentation will be running continuously near the registration counters. Please take a few minutes to watch it; it contains a lot of useful information (dining, student activities, last-minute additions, withdrawals, corrigenda, etc.) that will help you make the most of your time at the Annual Meeting.

I've enjoyed seeing a few of you around the hotel already today, and look forward to seeing more of you tomorrow before we return to our respective homes.. Please let our Executive Assistant Rita Lewis, our Executive Director

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Alyson Reed, or me know if we can be of any assistance to you during the remainder of your time here.

Sincerely,

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Director of Membership and Meetings

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