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LSA Update

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Laurels to Linguists

The LSA is delighted to announce that a number of its members have recently received major awards and honors. Lenore

Grenoble (University of Chicago), the LSA's Secretary-Treasurer, and Charles Yang (University of Pennsylvania), the recipient of the LSA's 2018 Leonard Bloomfield Book

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Award, both received fellowships from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. In addition, Marianne Mason (James Madison University) was named a Fellow of the American Council of Learned Societies, and four LSA members -- Amy Fountain (University of Arizona), Jonathan Bobaljik (University of Connecticut), Shannon Bischoff (Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne) and Patience Epps (University of Texas at Austin) -- received research grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Read more about the Guggenheim awardees [here](#) and about the ACLS and NEH awardees [here](#).

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Moving Beyond Academia: Making A Smooth Career Transition

Are you unsure about your next career move? Do you feel like everyone else has it figured out? Join us on April 25 for the latest in a series of [webinars on career topics](#) sponsored by the LSA's [Special Interest Group \(SIG\) on Linguistics Beyond Academia](#). Read more about the webinar and register [here](#).

New LGBTQ+ Special Interest Group to Provide Mentorship,

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Resources, Representation

The LSA Executive Committee has recently approved the formation of a Special Interest Group (SIG) devoted to LGBTQ+ issues in linguistics. The new SIG advocates for LGBTQ+ inclusion in Linguistics and seeks to provide mentorship and resources to junior LGBTQ+ researchers and students. This new SIG promotes and represents LGBTQ+ individuals, their voices and their work within the Society. [Read more ...](#)

News from CoLang 2018

[Read more](#) about the exciting schedule for CoLang 2018, the Institute on Collaborative Language Research, which will take place at the University of Florida from June 18 through July 20. The LSA is a proud supporter of CoLang and a funder of its fellowships.

LSA Welcomes New Committee Leaders & Members

The following committee appointments have recently been approved by the LSA's Executive Committee:

- Mark Aronoff (Stony Brook University), to the Leonard Bloomfield Book Award Committee
- Ellen Broselow (Stony Brook University), to the Committee on Honorary Members
- Christine Mallinson (University of Maryland, Baltimore County), as chair of the Ethics Committee

[Click here](#) to read more about the LSA's committees and what they do.

SALT 28 Early Bird Registration Deadline Extended

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The 28th Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT) Conference will take place at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology from May 18-20. Preregistration is available through May 16, with a special Early Bird registration rate available through Friday, April 20. Attendees and karaoke enthusiasts note: karaoke has been confirmed for the Saturday evening reception and dinner party! [Read more ...](#)

Morris Halle, 1923-2018

The LSA has learned with regret of the April 2, 2018, death of Life Member and former LSA President (1974) Morris Halle (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Emeritus). Halle was a co-founder of the MIT Linguistics program and famously known for his work *The Sound Pattern of English* which he co-authored with Noam Chomsky. His impact on the field of Linguistics is perhaps best and lovingly summarized by his former student, Gary Marcus, in [this article](#), published in *The New Yorker* for Halle's 90th birthday. A memorial will take place at MIT on Saturday, May 5; click [here](#) for more information and to register to attend. Read [a selection of Halle's work](#) published in *Language*. See the LSA's [In Memoriam notice](#) for additional tributes to Halle.

Reminders, Updates, Deadlines

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- The LSA's [Student Research Spotlight](#) highlights the work of students whose research has been published in peer-reviewed journals. If you would like to be considered, please read the guidelines [here](#) and contact us at intern@lsadc.org.
- Proposals for Organized Sessions for the [LSA 2019 Annual Meeting](#) are due May 15. To read more about organized sessions and how to propose one, [click here](#).
- The LSA is seeking comments from members on evaluating language documentation for hiring, promotion, and tenure. To read more, and to leave feedback, [click here](#).

Linguistics In The News

Some of the most popular recent news articles on linguistic topics:

- "[Scientists Probe an Enduring Question: Can Language Shape Perception?](#)" *Undark*
- "[Nubian Stone Tablets Unearthed in African 'City of the Dead'](#)" *Live Science*
- "[Grammar gripes: why do we love to complain about language?](#)" *The Guardian*

Other LSA Resources

The LSA maintains listings of [jobs](#), [conference announcements](#), [grant opportunities](#), in memoriam notices, and other news items of interest. [Submit a conference listing](#) or [contact the LSA](#) with news or other information.

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LSA Student Members can submit their research to the [Student Research Spotlight](#).

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- [Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide](#)
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