LSA Establishes New Ombuds Service

In a letter to LSA members sent earlier this month, LSA President Larry Horn outlined recent actions taken by the Executive Committee (EC), including the appointment of a new Ombuds Committee. "The working group within the EC charged with preparing procedures to review and resolve problems and complaints relating to the Society and its members has now completed its initial recommendations, which have been approved by the EC. The report [pdf] now being distributed to LSA members describes the need for problem resolution procedures, the nature of the procedures, and the two phases in which the procedures will be implemented. The first phase, now in place, encompasses the establishment of an OMBUDS COMMITTEE, the creation of a form for requesting assistance from the committee, and the introduction of mechanisms by which members of the Society can submit suggestions." Read more.

Organized Sessions for LSA 2022 Annual Meeting Announced
We are pleased to announce the **Organized Sessions** that will be held at our 2022 Annual Meeting. A schedule for the sessions will be available later this Fall as the Annual Meeting calendar is finalized. We hope you will join us for these outstanding sessions either online or in person.  

**Read more.**

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**Write-Ins Added to LSA Slate of Candidates and Amendments**

The LSA’s **Slate of Candidates and Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws** have been updated to reflect recent write-in campaigns initiated by differing groups of LSA members. A fifth candidate has been added to the slate of nominees for the at-large seats on the Executive Committee, and a proposed amendment to the Bylaws has been added that would change the procedures for electing LSA Fellows.  

**Read more.**

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**Call for Nominations: Two New Awards Honoring Halle and Fromkin**

We are pleased to issue the initial call for nominations in conjunction with two new LSA awards: the **Morris Halle Memorial Award for Faculty Excellence in Phonology** and the **Victoria Fromkin Memorial Prize for Student Excellence in Phonology**. The **Halle Memorial Award** recognizes outstanding scholarship by an early career faculty member in phonology. Any LSA member who received the PhD degree between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2021 is considered an Early Career Linguist. The **Fromkin Memorial Prize** will be awarded for outstanding scholarship in phonology by a linguistics graduate student. To nominate someone for the Halle Memorial Award, click here. To nominate someone for the Fromkin Memorial Prize, click here. **The deadline for the nominations for both awards is September 15, 2021.**

Both awards are endowed with much gratitude by LSA Life Member Robert Vago (Queens College and The Graduate Center, CUNY), who earned his undergraduate degree at UCLA (1970) and his PhD at Harvard (1974).

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**In Memoriam: Lila Gleitman**

The LSA regrets to announce the passing of **Lila R. Gleitman** (b. 1929), Professor Emerita of Psychology at the University of Pennsylvania. Gleitman, a life member of the LSA, first joined the Society in 1957. She served as LSA President in 1993 and was elected as a member of the first class of LSA Fellows in 2006. Read the Language Log obituary here, and a more comprehensive obituary prepared by Claire Gleitman for the National Academy of Sciences (available courtesy of Language Log). A full-length obituary will appear in Language in the coming months.

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**Call for Nominations: LSA Honorary Members 2022**

The LSA Honorary Members Committee (HMC) is developing a pool of qualified potential nominees that can be consulted in choosing new nominees for Honorary Membership to
Honorary Members for inspiration and to avoid duplication. Nominations may be submitted by clicking here. Nominations for the pool of potential honorees are welcome at any time. The annual deadline to submit names is October 1, 2021 for consideration as honorary members for 2022. Nominations of women and underrepresented linguists are especially encouraged.

**Departmental News: University of Michigan**

The Linguistics Department at the University of Michigan recently developed a Standard Language Ideology Statement. The statement came about as the result of the deep commitment of many of our students and faculty, who took part in the collaborative process to bring the statement together. The statement will inform our own teaching and mentoring in the Linguistics Department, and we hope it can serve as a relevant resource for other units and instructors regarding this important matter. Read more.

**In Case You Missed It ...**

The LSA's Curriculum Vitae Database Project assists search committees with identifying a diverse pool of linguists as prospective candidates for job openings at their home institutions. Spearheaded by our Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL), the project relies on the LSA's membership profiles to generate custom reports. We request the help of all members in completing certain components of their member profiles in our online database. You can learn more about the mechanics of this project and how to update your profile by visiting this page of the LSA website.

**Linguistics In The Public Sphere**

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

- The many different dialects in the tiny state of CT
- The challenge of speech-language pathology in a city that speaks 'Frenglish'
- Experts claim northern accent could be lost

**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.

LSA members can cause a portion of any purchase they make on Amazon.com to be donated to the LSA. Learn more, or make a tax-deductible donation.

Complete your member profile to be entered in a prize drawing.

Subscribe to RSS Feeds for the latest issue and the Table of Contents of Language.

LSA Student Members can submit their research to the Student Research Spotlight.

Visit the LSA website for information on other LSA resources, including:

- Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide