LSA Update

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LSA Announces 2021 Linguistics Journalism Award Recipient

The LSA is delighted to announce that Allyson Waller has been selected as this year's recipient of our Linguistics Journalism Award. Waller was nominated for her article in The New York Times, "Black, Deaf, and Extremely Online." The award will be presented at a special awards ceremony to be held at the LSA's upcoming Annual Meeting in early January 2022. Read on for more details about the merits of the article, Waller's bio, and background about the award.

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Polls Now Open for LSA Elections

Voting continues through early November for the LSA’s Slate of Candidates and Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws. Members may access the ballot here [login required]. The slate reflects two 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. Changes to the mechanisms for student representation on the Executive Committee are also being proposed. Read more.

LSA Annual Meeting News

We are pleased to offer free access to all video recordings from the 2021 Annual Meeting, held virtually this past January. Please note that a few session recordings are not available due to technical difficulties.

As presenters have been notified about acceptances for the upcoming 2022 Annual Meeting, the LSA has issued more detailed COVID safety protocols and guidance information. Look for announcements in the coming days regarding the Five-Minute Linguist event and for registration information later this month.

LSA Student Intern Transitions

The LSA welcomed Brody Silva, a senior majoring in Cognitive Science at Johns Hopkins University (pictured at right) as our Fall semester student intern earlier this month. A big thank you to our outgoing Summer semester student intern Sonya Trawick (ABD at Penn State, pictured at left) and our postbacc special projects consultant Anna Taylor, who completed her undergraduate degree at Ohio State last Spring. We are very grateful for all of the hard work and dedication shown by our student interns.

Language News

Due to the ever increasing costs of printing, postage, and handling of the print edition of the journal, the LSA is raising the surcharge for members who wish to continue receiving a hard copy of Language to $40 USD. This is the first such price increase in over a decade. The change in price will take effect for any renewals or new membership enrollments at the start of the LSA’s new fiscal year on October 1, 2021. As always, members may opt out of receiving the hard copy and enjoy free access to the journal online as part of their membership benefits.

Final Call for Nominations: Halle Award and Fromkin Prize
The number of awards and honors available to LSA members has been growing, including travel awards for students. Our two newest awards have a final nomination deadline in two days:

- **Victoria A. Fromkin Memorial Prize for Student Excellence in Phonology** (September 15, 2021)
- **Morris Halle Memorial Award for Faculty Excellence in Phonology** (September 15, 2021)

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**In Memoriam: Zdenek “Denny” Salzmann**

The LSA has just learned of the death of Zdenek “Denny” Salzmann, which occurred earlier this Spring. Dr. Salzman was a Life Member of the LSA, having first joined in 1949. According to a brief obituary published in the Red Rock News, Dr. Salzman was born in Prague, Czechoslovakia. He came to the United States in 1947 and earned degrees from Indiana University. He taught at the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming, Verde Valley School, Exeter Academy, the University of Massachusetts in Amherst and Northern Arizona University. [Read more.](#)

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

Did you know the LSA has two comprehensive resource guides for linguists who are interested in getting more involved with public outreach and media relations? Both guides were developed in 2015 under the auspices of the LSA's Public Relations Committee and former LSA Director of Communications Brice Russ. We also recently published a list of language and linguistics podcasts made possible by LSA members and other linguists involved in public-facing work.

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**Correction**

In the previous edition of the LSA Update, we erroneously referred to the US Secretary of State by his father's first name, Donald, instead of his correct first name, Antony. We regret the error. A corrected version has been placed in our online archive.

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**Linguistics In The Public Sphere**

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

- [How Language Classes Are Moving Past the Gender Binary](#)
- [Woman's request to register business in her Indigenous language denied by B.C. government](#)
- [Comirna-what??? Why the Pfizer vaccine's new name feels so awful to say](#)

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**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
- Linguistic Academic Depository
- LSA Jobs Center

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