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Slate of Candidates for Upcoming LSA Elections

There having been no modifications proposed to it by the July 5 deadline, the [Slate of Candidates](#) for LSA Officers and Executive Committee members and Editor of *Language* is finalized. Electronic voting will be available via member login on the LSA website from September 1 through November 5, 2016.

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Abstracts Due July 31



LSA members may submit abstracts for the [2017 Annual Meeting](#) through July 31. The full Call for Abstracts is available [here](#). Abstracts may also be

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submitted for a new primary event, [THE FIVE-MINUTE Linguist](#)."

members of the LSA. This space is available for a sponsored message.

Please contact [David Robinson](#) for details and pricing.

July Member Spotlight: John McWhorter

Learn more about the scholarly work of LSA Public Relations Committee member [John McWhorter](#), who has built an impressive profile in the popular media landscape. Dr. McWhorter is featured in our monthly member spotlight this July.

News from CoLang 2016

The Institute of Collaborative Language Research (CoLang) has gathered since 20th June, 2016, at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). In attendance are language activists, learners, linguists, speakers, students, teachers, elders, wiki bloggers, archivists, and publishers hailing from the Mohawk, Tlingit, Potawatomi, Tunica/Biloxi, Tutuni, Ahtna, Hän, Navajo/Dine, Unangam Tunuu, Catalan, Kristang, Chickasaw, Seminole, Creek, and Ekegusii language communities, among others.

Over one hundred fifty participants traveled from as far as Australia, New Zealand, Pakistan, Japan, Singapore, Croatia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Kenya, Malaysia, and Spain. Canada and the USA had the largest representation.

The fifth biennial Institute of language documentation and revitalization gathered on the traditional territories of Ten Khwt'ana in order to collaborate across different areas of expertise and experience, sharing strategies and projects for language documentation.

The LSA is a proud sponsor of the CoLang Institutes. Read more about CoLang 2016 [here](#).



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News from *Language*

The June issue of *Language* (Volume 92, Number 2) is now available [online](#). Be sure to check out the [new online section](#), Research Reports, and the [news release](#) highlighting findings about sign language and universal linguistic short-cuts.

As an LSA member, you always have access to the most recent issues of *Language*, back to 2001. To download an article, go to the [Language page](#) on Project MUSE and select the article you want to download and the format in which you want to download it. You will be asked to enter a username and password, which are not the same as the ones you use to access the LSA website. The username is LSA1 and the password is jun56.

We hope you enjoy this issue, as well as the LSA's other journals, proceedings, and other publications. A full list is available [here](#).

In other *Language* news, the terms of Senior Associate Editor Megan Crowhurst and Review Editor Helen Goodluck have been extended for a year.

LSA Summer Intern

University of Florida PhD student Marc Matthews is this summer's Linguistic Society of America intern. He was selected from among 137 applicants and is spending the summer working at the LSA Secretariat in Washington, DC. Marc is learning more about the field of linguistics, the professional needs of LSA members, and the LSA's broader agenda to advance the scientific study of language. This internship also provides exposure to the workings of a small non-profit organization based in the nation's capital. He will gain experience with writing, research, database management, social science policy, and a variety of administrative tasks.

Linguistics In The News

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

- ["Women Talk More than Men and Other Linguistic Myths"](#) *Deseret News*
- ["Our Brain Benefits from an Overlap in Grammar When Learning a Second Language"](#) *Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics*

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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](#).

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- [Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide](#)
- [Women in Linguistics Mentoring Alliance \(WILMA\)](#)
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