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## Thank You, Submitters

So often, academic labor goes unrecognized and unrewarded. The work you have done to submit proposals for the National Communication Association's 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Baltimore is worthy of recognition. As primary program planner for the convention, I hope these words of thanks and appreciation help to recognize the service you have provided your colleagues, students, communities, and profession.

I witnessed so much excitement about the convention theme, "Communication for Survival." The incredible ideas you shared with the programmers are inspirational. Of course, I am also very grateful to those who did not follow the convention theme, as well; contributions to the profession are diverse and varied and should be recognized regardless of whether or not they connect with the convention theme.

The Annual Convention serves as an incredibly important space for communing, connecting, educating, inspiring, energizing, and caring. It allows us to share our work, get feedback on it and our ideas, gain and give mentorship, build community, learn how to be the leaders we want to be, and so much more. Thank you, again, for all of your work to make the NCA Annual Convention in Baltimore a fantastic event for everyone. On behalf of the planning team and the staff of the National Office, thank you for your submissions; we all look forward to seeing you in Baltimore in November.

*--Kent A. Ono, NCA First Vice President, University of Utah*

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## Convention Registration and Online Program will be Available in July 2019

Online convention registration will open July 1, 2019. You can review the registration rates, and what is included with registration, on the convention [Registration Information](#) webpage. NCA is pleased to offer the following discounted/special registrations rates again in 2019.

- **Guest Speaker Registration:** Attendees who were invited to participate in a session based on their expertise in an area outside of the discipline may receive a complimentary registration. Guest speakers are people who would not normally attend the convention, and are and never have been members of NCA. Guest Speakers must register in advance by completing and submitting the [Guest Speaker Request Form](#) before October 11, 2019.
- **K-12 Educators Pass:** Active K-12 educators will receive free registration. Attendees must register onsite at the NCA Registration Area and show a valid school ID.
- **Friends and Family:** Spouses, partners, family members, and friends are welcome at the convention and may register for a flat rate of \$50. The Friends and Family registration grants access to all areas, sessions, and events at the convention. This registration type does not apply to individuals who are in the discipline, who are

or ever have been members of NCA, or who are on the convention program. Friends and family must register onsite at the NCA Registration Area.

The online convention program will be available in July on [NCA Convention Central](#). Accept and decline notifications will be sent via e-mail to submitters by the NCA Program Planners at the end of June.

Please contact the [Convention Team](#) for more information.

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