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Virtual Convention Information

If your session will be held asynchronously, you can now upload your video to NCA Convention Central in the Submitter Workroom. Information on how to do so is available [here](#).

If you are presenting an individual paper, individual film, or individual performance, please upload your video by October 31. Uploaded content will be available for viewing beginning November 1.

If you are a paper session, panel discussion, performance session, or film session submitter and your session participants have decided to present the session asynchronously, please upload your video before the session was scheduled to take place.

More information for all virtual convention participants is available [online](#). An [instructional video](#) on creating a schedule in NCA Convention Central and accessing on-demand content and Zoom links for live sessions has been recently added to the [virtual convention guide](#). On-demand content will be available for viewing beginning November 1.

As a reminder, while registration is free for NCA members whose membership is current through December 1, registration is still required to access on-demand content and Zoom session links.

Carroll C. Arnold Distinguished Lecture

The [Carroll C. Arnold Distinguished Lecture](#) features the most accomplished and highly regarded scholars in the discipline of Communication. I am proud to announce that Dr. Thomas K. Nakayama will deliver this year's lecture.

Dr. Nakayama is Professor of Communication Studies at Northeastern University. Their research interests lie at the intersection of rhetoric, intercultural communication, and critical theory. They are co-author of *Intercultural Communication in Contexts*, *Experiencing Intercultural Communication*, *Human Communication in Society*, and *Communication in Society* and co-editor of *Whiteness: The Communication of Social Identity* and *The Handbook of Critical Intercultural Communication*. Dr. Nakayama is a member of the NCA Publications Council, serves on a number of editorial boards, and is the founding Editor of the *Journal of International and Intercultural Communication* and the co-founding editor of *QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking*. Dr. Nakayama is a former Fulbrighter at the Université de Mons-Hainaut in Belgium and has been named a Distinguished Scholar by the Western States Communication Association, a Distinguished Research Fellow by the Eastern Communication Association, and a Distinguished Scholar by the National Communication Association.

Dr. Nakayama's address is titled "[The Challenge of Global Whiteness](#)." Whiteness is not simply about racialization but about a much larger and entrenched system shaped by multiple forces. Looking to the past and the present, the global and the local, this presentation will use a dialectical approach to expose the ways that these tensions give rise to

whiteness. A greater understanding of whiteness will be developed, and its impact as a major force in all areas of Communication will be illustrated.

Please join us on Friday, November 20, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time for what promises to be an important and transformative presentation.

--[David T. McMahan](#), NCA First Vice President, Missouri Western State University

Attend a Short Course or Preconference

Preconferences are half- or full-day sessions that take place Wednesday, November 18. The themes of the preconference sessions are intellectually and professionally diverse. Topics include mentoring, game studies, education, military-affiliated learning, health communication, COVID-19, organizational communication, social justice, sustainability, and more. Preconferences are free for all registered attendees but do require a separate registration. For specific details of these programs, please visit the [Preconferences Information](#) webpage.

Short Courses are extended convention sessions that offer participants an intense, pedagogically driven experience. This year's line-up is diverse and addresses theories, concepts, research practices, methods, pedagogical techniques, and other specialized topics of interest to Communication teachers, practitioners, and scholars. These Short Courses are great for professional development and are being led by our discipline's experts in relevant areas. Short Courses are \$10 for NCA student members and \$20 for all other attendees.

Short Course and Preconference registrations can be included in your convention registration. If you have already registered for the convention, you can still register online for a Preconference or a Short Course by logging into the NCA website, clicking the "my account" link at the top of the page, clicking the "purchases" tab, selecting the "events" section, clicking the "details" button next to your convention registration, selecting the "add session" button, and then selecting the Short Course or Preconference you wish to add to your registration.

NCA Code of Conduct

When registering for the convention, all attendees agree to an [Anti-Harassment Code of Conduct](#) to support the safety and security of all convention attendees. NCA has contracted with a human resources professional who will be available during the convention to address violations of this Code of Conduct. To report a concern, please email codeofconduct@natcom.org. This e-mail will be monitored beginning November 1.

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