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BEA2015



SPOTLIGHT: DIGITAL EVOLUTION IN REVOLUTIONARY TIMES

60th Annual Convention | 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Media Arts

The Broadcast Education Association invites panel and program proposals from academics, students and professionals for presentation at BEA2015 in Las Vegas. Panels must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. EDT on September 15th

#### What is the program submission process?

- **Please read the following information before you [login to your All Academic account](#).** BEA Members can now access All Academic with their regular BEA membership login and password. If you forgot your BEA membership password, please [click here to reset your password](#).
- **Submit a proposal:** Click on the link for "Submit or a Paper or Program Proposal."
- **Select a Division:** Read the division descriptions and select the primary division to which you will submit your program. Programs can have up to one (1) interest division co-sponsor.
- **Title/Abstract/Program Information:** Follow the guidelines to submit the title & abstract and additional program information.
- **Review your information & submit: Don't forget to review your information. If accepted, this is how it will appear in the program. Please use proper title case for session names and spell check (PLEASE)!!!**
- **Editing Abilities:** You can edit and or re-submit the description and panelists until the system closes at midnight EDT on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

[Click here to get started.](#)

#### What kinds of program sessions does BEA produce?

- **Invited panel/paper sessions:** These are the standard convention format sessions with a moderator, 3-5 presenters and, if possible, a respondent (and sponsored by Interest Divisions).
- **Showcases:** These sessions highlight student work in which faculty have been involved. Showcases are to be more "show" than "tell" and require preparation of audio-visual material before coming to convention. (These sessions are sponsored by Interest Divisions.)
- **Technical Demonstrations** of hardware or software. An equipment or software manufacturer/vendor brings in the latest communication technology to demonstrate. Often, faculty who have worked with the technology are included to talk about their experiences with the equipment/software in the classroom or lab.
- **Workshops** involving intensive training and professional development.
- **Other ideas?** Contact us if you have other alternative innovative ideas for program sessions, such as off-site tours or technical training at [BEAMemberServices@nab.org](mailto:BEAMemberServices@nab.org) and we would be happy to talk about them.

**The BEA2015 Convention Spotlight is..... Digital Evolution in Revolutionary Times** - Teaching, learning, consuming, sharing, empowering...

The digital evolution, powered by emerging technology—conversion from analog to digital, digital to high-definition, high definition to 4k and 8k technology—requires revolutionary technical skill enhancement of media students, faculty and professionals. BEA invites proposals from scholars with visionary approaches into insights and pedagogy of technological innovations, devices, applications, and maintaining progressions in quality creative works for advancement in scholarly activity.

**Digital Evolution in Revolutionary Times** serves as a spotlight for the convention, but program proposals are not limited to this area of research and presentation. All sessions must adhere to the goals and objectives of the interest division(s) to which they are submitted (descriptions are listed on the submission site).

### **What are the proposal procedures?**

BEA's Interest Divisions significantly shape the convention program. Individuals submit program proposals online and they are viewed by the indicated "sponsored" Interest Division leaders - or multiple division leaders in the case of co-sponsored proposals. Division leaders evaluate and rank the proposals and forward the evaluations to the 2015 Convention Program Chair, Denise Belafonte-Young. Denise can be contacted at [DBelafonte@lynn.edu](mailto:DBelafonte@lynn.edu).

Every effort will be made to give each division several invited panel sessions, a competitive paper session and a division meeting. Program slots are competitive so if information is not provided in a complete and timely manner, those program slots may be assigned to other session proposals. Priority will be given to panels sponsored by more than one division.

### **Can I propose co-sponsored panels?**

Co-sponsored proposals are encouraged. Co-sponsorship occurs when more than one division recommends a specific panel for inclusion in the program. No more than two (2) Interest Divisions will be listed for co-sponsorship on a particular session. **Panel producers must indicate each division being proposed as a co-sponsor on the "Review your submission information" page. Go to the bottom of the page and click on the green link that says "Add a co-Sponsor."** Panel proposals with co-sponsored interest divisions listed for will be made available to each division for consideration.

### **Do panel attendees need to register for the convention?**

Panel/program participants **MUST** register for the convention. If you are a session organizer and/or moderator, please encourage them to register. BEA's registration site opens in late December/early January. If you have questions regarding the submission process, please email the appropriate Interest Division contact person.

### **How many panels can I be on?**

It is BEA policy that a person is **limited** in the number of appearances he/she may make during the convention.

1. An individual may have **only ONE appearance as a panelist** during the convention.
2. A person may have **ONE ADDITIONAL appearance as a panel moderator or respondent**.
3. A person may have unlimited appearances as a presenter of competitive papers, productions or other competitive sessions.

To maximize opportunities for diverse participation, session organizers should seek:

- Participants representing a mix of genders, ethnicity, institutional affiliations, and nationalities
- Participants new to BEA and the Convention as well as professionals in the industry

Division Chairs are to evaluate the eligibility of the participants in those proposals submitted to that division. The Program Chair shall determine participant eligibility across divisions once the proposals are submitted.

#### **“Panelist Seeking Panels” and “Panels Seeking Panelists” Boards**

BEA members have a variety of research interests and expertise – and some of those members don’t always have the contacts needed to fill a panel, or participate and a panelist. We encourage members to reach out and make new contacts for this year’s annual convention. Please note, the “Panelist Seeking Panels” and “Panels Seeking Panelists” boards have been created in Facebook. Please join the “BEA2015 Panelist Seeking Panels” or “BEA2015 Panels Seeking Panelists” and post your panel idea or offer your area of expertise to a panel organizer.

#### **What kind of AV is available to me in Vegas?**

Take note that session rooms will **ONLY** have projectors and screens and will **NOT** have DVD and/or VHS players and **LIMITED** internet availability. If you plan to play a DVD, please bring your laptop. **\*\*\*If you need internet access, you MUST specify the need in your submission where requested – again, we will have limited internet availability.\*\*\*** Please let us know by January 31 if you have any special AV requests.

**COMPLETED Program Proposal Submissions must be submitted online through BEA’s submission site by midnight EDT on September 15, 2014.**

**Questions? Visit [www.beaweb.org](http://www.beaweb.org) or email [BEAMemberServices@nab.org](mailto:BEAMemberServices@nab.org).**