

BEA 2015 RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

CALL FOR PAPERS & STUDENT POSTERS

Race and Gender in Electronic Media: Challenges and Opportunities

Issues of race and gender have been hardy perennials throughout the history of electronic media, remaining on the forefront during the period of rapid evolution we currently experience. This symposium will feature research examining the consequences, implications, and opportunities associated with issues of diversity in the electronic media. The symposium will consider race and gender issues in both historical and contemporary (including newly emerging) electronic media (see focal points below). Papers may reflect the intersection of race and gender, or intersections of either race or gender with other types of difference such as class, religion, and physical abilities or qualities.

SYMPOSIUM CHAIR: Rebecca Ann Lind, University of Illinois at Chicago

*The BEA 2015 Research Symposium (April 12, 2015, Las Vegas) is accepting submissions for a **paper competition** (faculty & student categories), and for a **student poster competition** (undergraduate & graduate categories) held in conjunction with a reception on April 11, 2015.*

All methods and paradigms are welcome – social scientific, humanistic, historical, critical/cultural, etc. You will be asked to indicate which of the three focal points the paper best reflects:

- MEDIA CONTENT (focusing most closely on texts created by media organizations)
- MEDIA AUDIENCES (including media usage, effects of media, audience interpretations of media content, and studies of user-generated content)
- MEDIA PRODUCTION (including studies of media organizations and the creation of content, as well as media activism, access, policy, and regulation).

PAPER COMPETITION

Faculty & Students
(Submit completed papers only)

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POSTER COMPETITION

Graduate & Undergraduate Students
(Submit abstracts; may include work
in progress to be completed by 4/11/15)

The Student Paper Competition offers prizes of \$300 (1st place), \$200 (2nd place), \$100 (3rd place). The Student Poster Competition offers certificates of participation to all presenters, as well as prizes for the top posters.

Authors of selected papers are expected to register for and attend BEA to present their paper; in the case of multiple authors, at least one must attend. Student papers must be authored solely by students.

Submission Deadline: December 1, 2014

For more information: <http://www.beaweb.org/symposium.html>