

Call for Papers - 2017



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45th Annual Conference of the State Society on Aging of New York

The Many Worlds of Aging: Implications for Policy, Research, Education, and Practice

Wednesday, October 25 – Friday, October 27, 2017

The Gideon Putnam Hotel
24 Gideon Putnam Road
Saratoga Springs, New York 12866

For meeting and abstract submission information
visit the SSA Webpage: <http://ssany.org>



Dear Colleagues:

Our 2017 State Society on Aging of New York (SSA) Conference will be held at The Gideon Putnam Hotel in Saratoga Springs, New York from Wednesday, October 25th through Friday, October 27th. We invite submissions to this year's annual conference program from individuals in all areas of gerontology and geriatrics, as well as allied fields, including academicians, researchers, service providers, administrators, policy makers, clinicians, private practitioners, students, older adults, and others interested in the field of aging.

The annual conference encourages participation through papers, posters, and artistic work. Accepted submissions will be presented at designated paper or poster sessions. Creative expressions on aging-related topics may be submitted for exhibition in the conference's artist corner. As always, students are especially encouraged to submit their papers for consideration for the Student Paper Awards and to present their work at the conference.

This year the theme of the conference is, **“The Many Worlds of Aging: Implications for Policy, Research, Education, and Practice.”** This theme reflects our awareness as professionals and citizens that the opportunities and resources available to elders reflects a lifetime of experiences shaped by inequality. Thus we especially invite presenters to reflect on programs and policies that seek to mitigate the impact of disadvantage.

Abstract submissions for papers, posters and artistic projects must be submitted online **NO LATER** than by **July 15, 2017**. Acceptance notifications will be emailed in mid-August. All presenters *must register* for the conference prior to the publication of the conference book.

We look forward to seeing you in Saratoga Springs!

Kind regards,

Mary Ann Erickson, PhD
SSA President, 2017

Questions regarding abstract submissions should be directed to Conference Co-Chairs:

James O'Neal
Email: joneal1306@aol.com

Janna Heyman
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Submission Instructions for Presenters

(Note to students: Complete instructions for student submissions can be found on page 4.)

Complete and submit the abstract application form online, available on the SSA website, found at <http://ssany.org>. You may also go directly to the Survey Monkey SSA Abstract form using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SSA-2017Conf>

1. Abstracts should be no more than 250 words.
2. **The deadline for abstract submission is July 15, 2017.**
3. All complete submissions will be reviewed. Submissions related to the conference theme will receive priority consideration.
4. Please make all requests for audiovisual equipment required for your presentation on the abstract submission form. **WE DO NOT SUPPLY LAPTOPS**; however, if you contact the program co-chairs, James O'Neal and Janna Heyman, arrangements may be possible for use of other presenters' personal equipment.
5. Please contact Program Co-Chairs with any questions regarding abstract submissions.

James O'Neal

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Criteria for Evaluation

Applicants do not need to be members of SSA to submit abstracts. All abstracts will be peer reviewed for their relevance to the needs of an aging society, scholarship quality, and scholarship content including originality of ideas or methods.

Conference Attendance and Registration

If an abstract is accepted, it is assumed that the first author or organizing chair will take responsibility to ensure its presentation. If the first author is unable or unavailable to deliver the presentation, alternate arrangements for the presentation delivery must be made, with appropriate notification given to the program chair. You must register for the conference in order to be able to present. Please register for conference at the SSA website: www.ssany.org

Presentation Formats

Paper Sessions (25 minutes each presenter: 20 min. presentation, 5 min. questions)

Successful papers will report on completed research, describe program experiences or a model of practice, or present a sound analysis of a current issue in aging. Papers may have single or multiple authors. The program committee may not be able to accept all paper submissions or honor more specific requests regarding paper sessions due to time constraints in the program. If your abstract is not accepted for a paper session, please indicate on the submission form if you would like to have it considered for a poster session.

The SSA Program Committee will group accepted papers by theme into sessions facilitated by moderators of its selection.

Posters (60 minutes)

Posters report on completed research, describe program experiences or a model of practice, or present an analysis of a current issue in aging. Posters can have single or multiple authors. The interactive poster sessions feature authors presenting ideas visually but also discussing the material and concepts one-on-one with colleagues. Posters display information visually, relying on graphic representations (e.g., tables, pictures or charts), and may benefit from a simple, clear design and appropriate use of color. The posters are grouped together in a single room or common area and displayed for designated one-hour sessions.

Artist Corner

We are requesting submissions of original prose, poetry, artwork and other artistic works that reflect themes related to aging.

Membership

To become a member of the State Society on Aging of New York, which entitles you to a membership rate on registration fees, or to receive all future mailings, please explore the membership section of our website at <http://ssany.org>.



Student Submissions

Students, both graduate and undergraduate, are encouraged to submit abstracts for regular conference **presentation** and written papers for the **student paper competition**. There will be opportunities to meet other students and professionals in the field. Presenting a paper or poster gives students professional recognition for their work, a chance to meet fellow students and professionals, and potential opportunities for career development.

Students have two options for submitting scholarly papers to the SSA Conference:

Presentation of Paper and Student Award Consideration: To be considered for presentation and the student award, students must *both*

(1) submit an abstract using the Survey Monkey link on <http://ssany.org> or directly at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SSA-2017Conf> *and*

(2) submit a copy of the abstract and complete paper by email to Tobi Abramson, Awards Committee Chair, at tabramso@aging.nyc.gov, noting which student award is being applied for. Awards are made for: (a) best paper by a doctoral student, (b) best paper by a master's level student, or (c) best paper by an undergraduate student. **The deadline for both submissions is July 15, 2017.**

Presentation of Paper Only: Students may submit an abstract for review in a regular conference presentation without being considered for the student award. If submitting an abstract for regular conference presentation only, please complete the abstract submission form via the Survey Monkey link on <http://ssany.org>.

Winners of the student paper competition in each category – undergraduate, masters and doctoral student submissions – will receive a **scholarship award** to cover conference registration and present their work at the conference. Limited scholarship funds will be available to defray students' conference registration fees. For student scholarship information, visit www.ssany.org. Award winners and students presenting papers or posters will receive preference for scholarships.

Questions concerning the student awards may be directed to Student Committee Co-chairpersons Christian Gonzalez-Rivera at cgonzalezrivera@nycfuture.org and Eunice Flemister at efleimester@hostos.cuny.edu



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EXHIBITOR OPPORTUNITIES

Rates: \$200 for 2 days • \$125 for 1 day
6-foot x 30-inch Exhibitor table draped with linen & two chairs
Membership is not required to exhibit.

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

SSA OFFERS ADVERTISING SPACE IN THE PROGRAM BOOK OF THE 45TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE. Current organizational members of SSA are entitled to a free quarter-page ad. The advertisement MUST be submitted along with this form to be included in the program. SSA members will receive a discounted advertising rate if they upgrade their ads to a larger size. Program measures 8.5" x 11" and is printed in black and white.

Rates

	Full Page (7.5" w x 10" h)	1/2 Page (7.25" w x 4 5/8" h)	1/4 Page (3.5" w x 4 5/8" h)
SSA Organizational Member	\$125	\$75	Included
SSA Individual Member	\$200	\$150	\$75
Non-Member	\$250	\$200	\$100

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Karen Dybing at dybing@fordham.edu.

Please make the check payable to SSA and **mail** a hard copy of the advertisement with this form to:
Karen Dybing
Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service
400 Westchester Avenue, West Harrison, NY 10604

For questions please contact James O'Neal at joneal1306@aol.com, Judy Howe at judy.howe@mssm.edu, or Bob Maiden at fm Maiden@alfred.edu.

Deadline: Submissions must postmarked no later than September 29, 2017.



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HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION

The Gideon Putnam Hotel Spa will host the State Society on Aging of New York Conference Wednesday, October 25, through Friday, October 27, 2017. The Gideon Putnam Hotel is located at 24 Gideon Putnam Road, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.

Guests should call the resort directly at (518) 226-4700 or toll-free at 866-890-1171 no later than **September 1, 2017**, to make their reservations. Requests received after that date will be accepted only based on room and rate availability. All reservations must be accompanied by a first night's room deposit or guaranteed with a major credit card.

Please be sure to mention that your reservation is part of the State Society on Aging of New York Conference or the SSA group to receive this discounted rate. The special room rate of \$149.00 (single/double) will be accompanied by occupancy tax and state/local taxes. The block rate applies to a limited number of rooms on a first come first serve basis.

Please check with the Gideon Putnam Hotel directly or through its website, at <http://www.gideonputnam.com>, for policies regarding check-out, cancellation, changes and special requests.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Registration for the conference can be found on the SSA website at <http:ssany.org>

	Received by <u>October 6</u>	After <u>October 6</u>
Full Conference Registration:		
Professional SSA member*	\$250.00	\$300.00
Non-member	\$325.00	\$375.00
Full-time student (SSA Member)	\$ 80.00	\$100.00
Full-time student (non SSA Member)	\$110.00	\$130.00
 One-day conference registration:		
Professional SSA member*	\$140.00	\$190.00
Non-member	\$175.00	\$225.00
Full-time student (SSA member)	\$ 60.00	\$ 75.00
Full-time student (Non-SSA member)	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00

***SSA Membership**
(\$40.00 for professionals, \$15.00 for students/seniors, and \$75 for organizations)