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Biennial Meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology, in conjunction with the Anthropology of Children & Youth Interest Group: April 4-7, 2013, San Diego, CA

Psychological anthropology has emerged as one of the most innovative areas in the social sciences. The [Society for Psychological Anthropology](#) (SPA) is a dynamic group of scholars examining the relationships among social processes, cultural meanings and human subjectivities.

SPA will be meeting in 2013 with the Anthropology of Children & Youth Interest Group (ACYIG), which focuses on the cross-cultural and ethnographic examination of infants, children, youth and adolescents

For this biennial meeting, the SPA & ACYIG welcomes proposals for panels and papers representing innovative work in either field. Historical, applied and methodological topics are welcome as well.

Details on the conference are below, or you may go directly to [this page to submit your panels, groups, or papers](#).

The deadline for submitting panel and paper proposals is December 18, 2012. **We urge you to participate in this important event.**

Best regards,
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San Diego is one of the most beautiful cities in the U.S. The SPA/ACYIG meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay, a resort near Sea World. It features waterfront rooms, a health club, spa, fire pits, water slides and a marina with kayaks and whale excursions.

[Library of Social Science](#) has organized book exhibits for SPA since 1995. At the 2013 meeting, we will once again bring together an exciting, comprehensive collection of the latest and most significant titles in the field.

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conjunction with the Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group
San Diego, CA, April 4-7, 2013**

For the first time the Society for Psychological Anthropology biennial meeting will be held jointly with the Anthropology of Children and Youth Interest Group (ACYIG). Psychological anthropology examines the relation among social processes, cultural meanings and human subjectivities. Psychological anthropologists study topics such as narrative, identity, experience, emotion, memory, discourse, belief, motivation, conceptualization, gender, sexuality, trauma, mental illness, stigmatization and psychological development in social and cultural contexts.

The anthropology of children and youth is the cross-cultural and ethnographic examination of infants, children, youth and adolescents. It examines such topics as child development across time and space (physical, cognitive, emotional, social); parenting, childcare and childrearing around the world; the evolution of childhood; the impact of globalization on children and their families and communities; child health; child education and learning; children's participation in their cultures; the socio-historical construction of childhood; child agency and vulnerability; children's rights; the political lives of children; and critical studies of childhood.

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In addition to panels and discussion groups, we will also schedule plenary sessions, coffee breaks and receptions that will bring our group together and facilitate informal conversation and networking. Saturday afternoon the ACYIG will hold a business meeting. There will be a banquet on Saturday night, highlighted by presentation of the SPA Lifetime Achievement Awards to Anthony Wallace and Jean Lave.

Panel, Discussion Group and Paper Submissions

The deadline for submitting panel and paper proposals is December 18, 2012, but earlier submissions are encouraged. Both individual papers (15 minutes) and full panels (1 hour and 45 minutes) are welcome. Younger scholars are particularly encouraged to suggest panel, paper or discussion group topics. Abstracts are required for individually submitted papers, for panels and for each paper on a panel (panel abstract and abstracts for the papers on the panel should be submitted together) and no abstract should be longer than 250 words.

Each participant is allowed to have two formal roles: to give a paper, and to be a discussant. However, we encourage the submission of less formal sessions as well. In these less formal sessions, participation does not count against the two-role rule. A discussion session can be formed by listing people who will speak for no more than five minutes, and then opening up the floor to general discussion. In this case, the session requires a session abstract but no abstracts from participants. A workshop is a focused discussion around a practical theme: for example, publication venues, team ethnography, specific methods, etc. Again, the workshop format presumes that papers are not given and the primary focus is discussion. A workshop requires a workshop abstract, but no abstracts from participants. Film and poster proposals are also welcome.

Please go to [this page to submit your panels, groups, or papers](#).

Registration Information on the registration process is forthcoming.

The Conference Hotel and Venue

The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay in San Diego, CA. The Hyatt Regency Mission Bay and Marina is a resort near Sea World. It features waterfront rooms, a health club, spa, fire pits, water slides and a marina with kayaks and whale excursions. Workers at the Hyatt Regency Mission Bay are represented by UNITE-HERE. This hotel is on the approved list of the AAA Committee on Labor Relations. For more information, contact Claudia Strauss (SPAPresident):

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