

Association for Women in Psychology 2025 Conference | March 6th through 9th Santa Fe, NM | <u>El Dorado Hotel and Spa</u>

# Representing our Identities Reclaiming Our Voices, Reawakening our Light, Reconnecting with Wisdom |

## Representando Nuestras Identidades, Reclamando Nuestras Voces, Despertando Nuestra Luz, Reconectando con Sabiduría

We are emerging from a past filled with sordid violence, inescapable oppression, and 'clenched' restrictions to our voices, bodies, spaces, roots, and roles.

The tropes of the 'Angry Black Woman' or 'Loud Mexican Mujer' heard brutally in our 'ear'... Our bodies as sites of cruelty in motel rooms or emasculating debate in political government halls...

Our spaces and roots dug up to build arenas and cattle farms to feed insatiable appetites and betting additions...

And finally, our roles... limited edition of the pink apron and perfectly coiffed hair.

Well, what a time to be breaking out and literally smashing the glass ceiling? And as we pick up the shards of glass, we see glimpses... parts of ourselves...

Fractals of other possibilities to be WOMXN - quite infinite.

And is there any order to the chaos?

A mystery... but in the PROCESS we dive deeper to uncover and translate the sacrosanct connections we hold with the cosmos.

HERE - we honor the cardinal directions and the yin/yang relationships we have with the elements, the living quality of our spaces (e.g. altars, shrines, objects) that ties us to the heart of Mother Earth and our ancestors.

Our invited speakers will help us to discover fragmented parts of our selves that have been ignored, vilified, or ridiculed due to the insidious nature of patriarchal systems embedded in identity and institution. We will amplify our feminist practices in community-building, radical inclusivity, activism and teaching with the inner work necessary to invite the public eye. Pre-Conference workshops will occur on the afternoon of Thursday, March 6, 2025 and additional activities. Our first keynote speaker will kick off a full day of presentations and conversation on Friday, March 7. Saturday, March 8 will open with the annual awards ceremony and our second keynote speaker, followed by additional presentations, opportunities to volunteer with New Mexico-based organizations engaging in feminist justice and liberation psychology work! On Saturday evening, we will conclude with dance and music! Presentations will continue Sunday morning, March 9, followed by a closing ceremony that will wrap up the conference midday.

# **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

We <u>invite proposals</u> that illustrate the PROCESSES that are actively building towards mystery, echoing the sounds of rebirth, redemption, and reclamation. These are liberatory/scientific/scholarly endeavors in the expression of labor to resist, challenge, make peace, welcome and deliver change. We encourage proposals from the following areas but also welcome all other proposals which highlight feminist research and scholarship, pedagogy, teaching, social work, counseling and clinical practice, and advocacy:

- 1) Life-changing work based in mestizaje consciousness and Anzaldúa's theories on the path of conocimiento and El Mundo Zurdo
- 2) Trans and Gender Diverse inclusivity
- 3) Feminist approaches to address spiritual violence, trauma, and terrorism
- 4) Contemplative practice and pedagogy, and decolonized praxis specializing in aging and end-of-life care
- 5) Womanist and mujerista psychologies emphasizing multiple ways of being and knowing
- 6) Transnational, transdisciplinary, and indigenous practices that center mind-body-spirit interaction to facilitate healing and transformation

## **PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Pre-Conference Workshop:** Pre-Conference Training Workshops are interactive mini-courses designed to provide extended learning experiences and professional development in a specific area. They encompass various topics of interest and normally carry continuing education (CE) credits for psychologists and other professionals. Pre-Conference Training Workshops will be

scheduled for Thursday, March 6th in the afternoons from 1pm to 5pm. Separate fees are charged for Pre-Conference Training Workshops. Registration and attendance at the full conference is not required. Presenters receive a portion of workshop attendee fees. (Time = 4 hours). In order to be eligible for Continuing Education (CE) credits, proposals must include 3-5 Learning Objectives, 3 recent (i.e., in last 5 years) references to peer reviewed journals, and a Curriculum Vitae (CV) for each presenter.

**Conference Workshop:** Workshops are designed to share skills, knowledge, and/or experience in research, issue-oriented, or learning/practice areas. Workshops will last 50 minutes and should be live, interactive sessions.

**Symposium:** Panel presentations of up to 3 papers, grouped together regarding a shared topic of interest. Sessions must include a chair who will facilitate the session and may also have a discussant. Sessions will be 50 minutes with time available for participant Q&A.

**Structured Discussion:** These are 50-minute facilitated dialogues designed to bring together those working on similar problems, issues, or concepts to discuss new ideas and to engage in problem-solving. Presenters share their ideas and facilitate group discussion. The majority of the discussion should be focused on audience participation.

**Paper Presentation:** Formal presentation of theoretical issues, research data, clinical case material, treatment methods, program descriptions, etc. More interactive presentations are preferred. Individual papers are grouped together by the program review committee around similar themes. Please allow time for introduction and audience questions (12–15 minutes).

**Poster Presentation:** Visually inviting presentations of an individual study or project, including graphs, tables, pictures, etc. Additionally, the poster author(s) should be available for the discussion of their work during the poster session.

**Lightning Talk (Abbreviated Paper Presentations):** 7-minute presentations of theoretical issues, research data, clinical case material, treatment methods, program descriptions, etc. The conference organizers will group up to 5 presentations on similar topics in a 50-minute session, including time for Q&A.

**Book Blitz:** Authors of new books released between January 2023 and March 2025 will discuss their work in a 5-7 minute presentation, along with other authors. Presentations are followed by a celebration of our authors at the book table.

Full details about poster dimensions and how to prepare for presentations will be sent to all accepted presenters. Tech and accessibility coordinators may be reached at: <a href="mailto:awpconf2025@gmail.com">awpconf2025@gmail.com</a>

#### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

**Proposals can be submitted online starting September 27, 2024.** The priority deadline is October 28 and proposals submitted by this date will be given top priority for inclusion in the program. **Submissions will be accepted through November 4.** There will be no further extensions. Please limit to 2 presentations per person, except poster submissions. To submit, follow this link

#### All submissions must include:

- The contact information for all presenters
- 250-500-word abstract describing the session with scholarly references to be used for peer review. (For symposia, you must also include a 50-word abstract for each individual paper.)
- 50-word brief abstract describing the session to be used in the conference program
- If you would like your presentation or workshop to be considered for CE credits, or would prefer that your workshop be offered during the Pre-Conference times, you will be able to indicate this interest on the submission portal.

## NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION

Proposals will be accepted on the basis of masked review. Notification of acceptance or rejection of program proposals will be made to the corresponding author by late December 2024. The corresponding author has the responsibility to inform co-authors.

Questions about the call for proposals? Email: <a href="https://www.awpconf2025@gmail.com">awpconf2025@gmail.com</a>

## **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

All participants are required to register for the conference. Registration will be available online from the 2025 Conference link on the AWP website at: <u>http://www.awpsych.org</u> starting in November 2024. Register by Friday, February 7, 2025, to receive early registration rates.

## **CONFERENCE PLANNING COLLECTIVE**

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## SIGN UP TO REVIEW PROPOSALS FOR 2025 CONFERENCE

The Program Committee is recruiting individuals to assist them in reviewing the proposals submitted for possible inclusion in the 2025 Program. To volunteer, sign into (or create) your AWP account at <u>https://awpsych.org/</u>, go to proposal reviews, and select three areas of expertise.

#### **VOLUNTEER CONTACT INFORMATION**

Would you like to volunteer to help organize this amazing conference? *You are so welcome!* Please feel free to email us at <a href="mailto:awpconf2025@gmail.com">awpconf2025@gmail.com</a> We meet via Zoom on the first and third Thursday of every month until the end of this year at 5pm(PST), 6pm(MST), 7pm(CST), 8pm(EST). Once we receive your email, we will send you the Zoom links. Muchas gracias!