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#### Virtual Meeting

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### Student poster competition: Ottawa

Winners

59 students entered the Student Poster Competition at the Ottawa meeting

32 judges

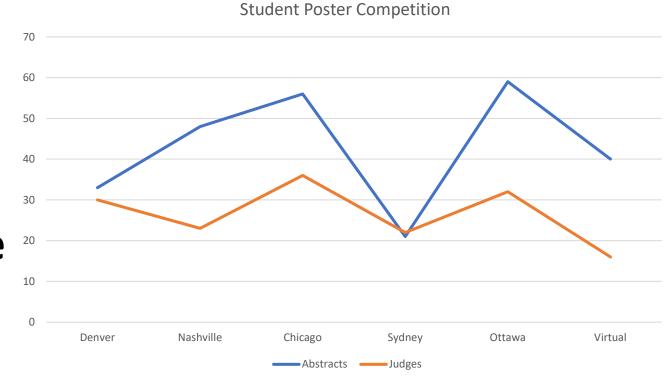
- Ivan Fong (Simon Frasier University) "Phonetic adaptation in conversation: The case of Cantonese tone merging"
- Sarah Biehl (University of Cincinnati) "Optimization of classifying accurate and misarticulated speech sounds for use in a gamified real-time ultrasound biofeedback system"
  - All students are emailed the feedback comments from the judges!





# Student poster competition: Virtual

- 40 students
- 16 judges ?!?
- Thanks to:
  - Laura Koenig, Brooke
     Merritt, Yan Yu
  - all the judges!

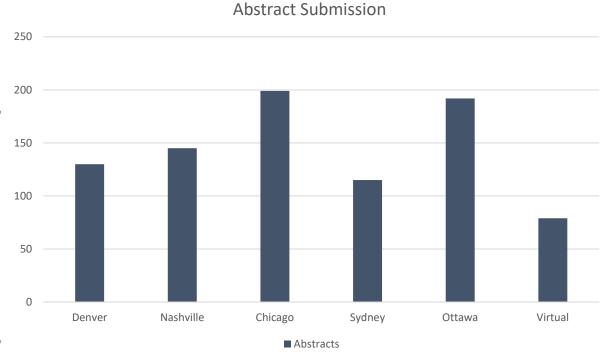




# Technical Program Organizers: Virtual

### • Thanks:

- Kelley Berkson, Lisa Redford, Megan Clayards
- 79 abstracts
- TPOs (New Orleans):
  - Kelley Berkson, Lisa Redford, Megan Clayards







# Student Council Rep

**TC:** Speech Communication



Term: Fall 2024 - Spring 2026

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Interested in aettina involved?





#### Check out our website:

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### Planning ahead: New Orleans

- Blackstock Mentor Award will be announced - thank you for your nominations!
- Pronoun stickers available for all members
- Looking forward to meeting new faces!



# Apply for full membership!

- We have 239 associate members who could be full members!
- You can vote and be on committees
- Looks better if someone wants to nominate you for anything!
- application is streamlined online
- https://acousticalsociety.org/wpcontent/uploads/2019/04/fullapp.pdf



#### Application for Transfer to Full Membership Submit to asa@acousticalsociety.org

To transfer to full Membership, complete the form below and return it by email with your c/v or or a description of major professional experience asa@acousticalsociety.org.

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Please indicate your three main areas	of acoustical interests	
1st	2nd	3rd
Applications require the names and request.	l email address of two full Members or Fello	ws who will sponsor your full Membership
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Major Professional Experience/Contri	butions to Acoustics: Please include a separate	e attachment with your transfer application which



### Reminders

- FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:
  - Technical Initiatives
  - Student transportation subsidies fund
  - The Committee on Women in Acoustics (WIA) sponsors Young Investigator Travel Grants
  - The Committee on Women in Acoustics (WIA) sponsors Dependent Care Subsidies
  - Early Career Travel Support Awards
  - Robert W. Young Award for Undergraduate Student Research in Acoustics
- ASA Foundation



### **Education in Acoustics**

- New technical specialty group!
- Can become a full technical committee if 6% of the society list Education in Acoustics as one of their interests
- You can now list three interest areas.

### www.acousticalsociety.org

- select "Membership"
- then "Membership Directory"
- then "View/Change Profile" under "My Profile"



### Education and Outreach

- Education and Outreach Committee is looking for volunteers
- Current projects:
  - 1. Online outreach: Develop a careers in acoustics resource to launch on exploresound.org
  - 2. School outreach: Launch the new school demo kit initiative
  - Meeting outreach: Reboot outreach at the meetings with a middle/high school hands-on session at the New Orleans meeting
  - 4. Community outreach: Encourage ASA chapters and members to hold a community outreach event in conjunction with "Protect Your Hearing Month" in Oct 2025

### **ASA Diversity Initiatives**

# Committee to Improve Racial Diversity and Inclusivity

- Stay up to date on diversity initiatives
- Contribute to initiatives focused on equity and inclusion within the society
- Want to learn more? Join our mailing list: https://acousticalsociety.org/keep-meinformed/

#### James E. West Fellowship

- \$30,000 minority fellowship
- Next available in 2026!

#### **Spanish Speaking Acousticians Chapter**

Join by emailing ssaacousticalsociety@gmail.com

#### **Women in Acoustics**

• Chair: Jessica Clements

jessica.clements@smithgroup.com



### **SURIEA 2025 Mentor Applications**

The Summer Undergraduate Research and Industry Experience in Acoustics (SURIEA) provides undergraduate students with hands-on opportunities through 10–12-week mentored experiences in academia and industry.

#### **Early Bird Application**

- Guaranteed mentee match if selected
- Must provide student support funding (>\$9600)
- Limited to 5 mentors (or regular consideration)
- Deadline: 12/08/24

#### **Regular Application**

- Traditional application process
- Funding provided by ASA for up to 5 students
- Matching based on program funding
- Deadline: 01/31/25

#### **SEEKING MENTORS FROM ALL TECHNICAL AREAS, IN PARTICULAR:**

Musical Acoustics Acoustical Oceanography Animal Bioacoustics

Computational Acoustics Underwater Acoustics Structural Acoustics and Vibrations

### News from the Public Relations Committee

#### **Media Liaisons**

ASA routinely receives media inquiries to help identify individuals with expertise in acoustics, often needing quick responses. Each TC requires providing at least 2 media liaisons, or individuals willing to respond to media requests in a timely manner. The PR committee offers resources to help you feel more comfortable talking to the media, including occasional media training sessions during conferences. Please contact our chair if you're interested becoming a media liaison. [TCs missing at least one liaison – EA, PA, SA]

#### TC Representative

We are looking to fill our committee with at least 1 representative from each TC to best represent our committee and relay news during your TC meeting. This can be one of your media liasons, but is not required. Please contact our chair if interested.

#### **Acoustics Lay Language Papers (ALLP)**

A reminder that ASA offers all those with a conference abstract to submit lay language papers. These are 300-500 word summaries of meeting presentations written by scientists for a general audience. Authors are recommended to submit papers before conferences to help promote their talks, but papers can be submitted at any time after conferences. Unlike JASA or POMA, lay language papers do not need to be peer reviewed, offer a quick path to disseminate work, and help create media interest. See acoustics.org/lay-language-papers/ for more information.



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If you have presented at any ASA Meeting, turn it into a published paper in POMA. It's not too late!

### **POMA Student Paper Competition**

POMA holds a series of society-wide student paper competitions for a POMA submission based on a presentation or poster from ASA meetings.

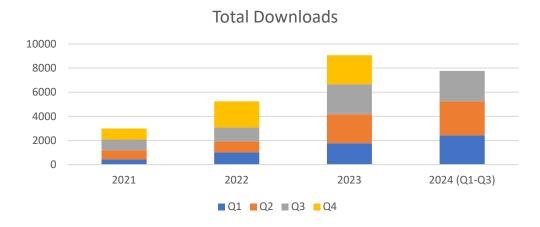
Award Amounts: Up to five student papers will receive an award of USD \$300. Additionally, the student paper winners will be noted on the POMA cover page and their article will be promoted in email and social media campaigns. Student winners are also featured on Across Acoustics (ASA publications podcast).

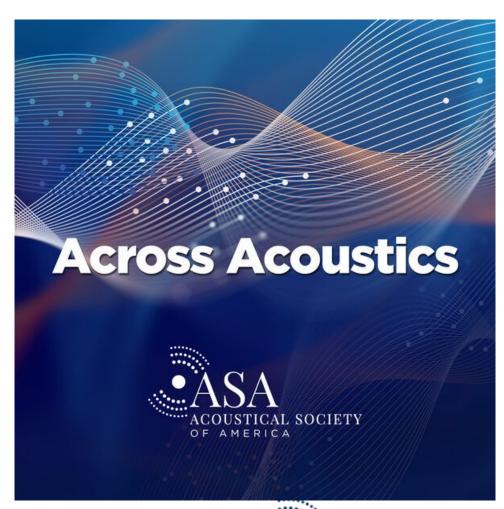
**Timeline**: The competition deadline is 11:59 pm EST, 30 days after the meeting.

If you are not participating in the competition, you can submit to POMA anytime bustical society

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  - Can sound be used to diagnose arteriosclerosis?
  - How Classroom Acoustics Fail Autistic Students and Teachers
  - Continuous Active Sonar's Impact on Killer Whales
  - An Ultrasound-Based Touchscreen
- Over 25,000 total downloads
- New milestone: We exceeded 1,000 downloads in a single month with 1,241 downloads in October







### **Virtual Meeting**

- 2024 Fall, Virtual
  - Session in honor of Ken Stevens' 100th birthday (Stefanie Shattuck-Hufnagel; Abeer Alwan, Maria-Gabriella Di Benedetto)
  - Workshop on hot topics in speech (postdoc led)
  - Webinar presentation (nominations)
  - Two contributed sessions (5 min videos, speech-ify playlists, or make your own)



# **Future ASA meetings**

- 2025 Spring, New Orleans, Louisiana (joint with ICA)
   19-23 May 2025
   Abstract deadline January 8th
- 2025 Fall, Honolulu, Hawai'i (joint with ASJ)
   1-5 December 2025
- 2026 Spring, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
   11-15 May 2026



# **Special Sessions**

- 2025 Spring (May 18-23), New Orleans (joint with ICA)
  - At the intersection of speech and architecture (Pasquale Bottalico, Ken Good (AA), Evelyn Hoglund, Arianna Astolphi (EAA))
  - Speech Perception Beyond Intelligibility (Melissa Baese-Berk, Susannah Levi)



# **Special Sessions**

- 2025 Fall (Dec. 1-5), Honolulu (joint with ASJ)
  - The history of speech communication research Benjamin Tucker (ASA), Takayuki Arai (ASJ)
  - The mechanical and numerical modeling of speech production from the past to the future Zhaoyan Zhang (ASA), Tsukasa Yoshinaga, (+Takayuki Arai) (ASJ)
  - Degraded speech perception and its modeling TBA (ASA), Kazuo Ueda (ASJ)
  - Visualizing articulation of L1 and L2
     Ai Mizoguchi (ASJ), Harim Kwon, Suzy Ahn (ASA)
  - Self-supervised learning for speech technologies and speech technologies utilizing foundational models (pre-trained models)

    TBA (ASA), Kei Hashimoto (ASJ)

# **Special Sessions**

- 2026 Spring (May 11-15), Philadelphia
  - Ideas?



### Other Business

Any feedback on the Virtual meeting?

Anything else?



# Meeting adjourned!

