

The International Association for Cognitive Semiotics 2018 Newsletter

2018

On behalf of the IACS Governing Board, best wishes to all our members. I hope you enjoy a happy and healthy year.

3rd Conference of the International Association for Cognitive Semiotics (IACS3-2018)

The Board has spent the last several months working with the conference organizers of the next conference in Toronto on July 13-15. Many thanks to Jamin Pelky and Peter Coppin for all their hard work organizing the conference, jointly supported by OCAD University and Ryerson University, with additional support from the Department of Cognitive Science at Case Western Reserve University. For more information about the conference, please see: http://iacs-2018.org/iacs3/-top.

Bursaries and Scholarships for New Researchers

Concerned about financing your trip? The IACS board is supplying generous funds to support new and early career researchers whose papers are accepted for presentation. Additional funding is being sought from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Funding allocation and amounts awarded will be needs based and quota based depending on the total funds available. Applications and decisions will be made in April 2018.

The General Assembly

I encourage all members to attend and participate in the General Assembly meeting, to be held at on the last day of the conference. It is during the General Assembly that elections for the new Governing Board as well as for President are to be held. Having served two terms as your president, it is now time for me to hand the role off to someone else. I have enjoyed very much serving you as your president and I look forward to continuing service to the organization in a different capacity.

Membership

Membership dues to IACS are required for participation in the conference. This year, we plan to integrate the payment systems so that your two-year membership dues are factored into the conference fee. As in the past, membership entitles you to a 30% discount on the subscription to <u>Cognitive Semiotics</u>.

The Journal

All members are encouraged to submit manuscripts for peer-review and possible publication in <u>Cognitive Semiotics</u> at any time. The Editors are also eager to consider special issue proposals for 2019 and 2020.

Future Conference Venues
The Governing Board is looking forward to reviewing proposals for sites of the next conference in 2020. I encourage any interested parties to contact me or any member of the Board with any suggestions. Choices for the next and future conference sites will be discussed at the General Assembly at IACS3-2018 in Toronto.
Very Truly Yours,
IACS President and the Governing Board