

# Finally Got the News\*

Newsletter of the Race, Ethnicity and Politics Section  
American Political Science Association

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## From the Section Co-Presidents

by Karthick Ramakrishnan (2010-2012) and Anna Sampaio (2011-2013)

We are excited about all of the REP panels and events at this year's APSA annual meeting and hope to see you all in New Orleans! Thanks to the entrepreneurial efforts of our section co-chairs, Andra Gillespie and Ricardo Ramírez, we have an exceptional array of panels (27 in total!) at this year's conference. Please plan to sit in on as many of these panels as you can to support your colleagues and get a glimpse of emerging and exceptional research in our field of study.

In terms of next year's panels—we are pleased to report that Kevin Bruyneel and Natalie Masuoka will be our section co-chairs for the annual meeting in Chicago for 2013. Please plan to submit proposals starting in mid September through December 15.

We are happy to report that the outlook for our section is strong. Our numbers remain high, and our members continue to win awards and serve APSA (and the profession) in important ways. The previous year saw some significant changes, as we revised our bylaws, allowed for online balloting, and conducted our first set of online votes in a matter of a few months.

One of the items that received strong approval was the charge to create an official section journal. An overwhelming number of voting members favored the creation of a new journal, and a Journal Implementation Committee was established earlier in the year to develop a request for proposals that could be shared with various publishers. The committee recently completed the proposal and is currently in conversation with various publishers. Once we have complete offers we will share those with the membership so we can best decide how to proceed with the next phase of journal development.

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*\*This title is borrowed from the Newsreel film about militant Black autoworkers in Detroit during the 1960s.*

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One key to the new journal will be selecting editors and a home for the new journal. If you are interested in this position or know of colleagues who would be appropriate, please let us know. Stay tuned for more information, and we encourage you to think about heading up this historic endeavor.

We urge all members to attend the section's business meeting, which will be held on **Friday, Aug 31, 2012, 12:15 PM-1:15 PM, in Sheraton Rhythms 1**. In addition to voting on our nominating committee's selection of candidates for the section's officers, we will be continuing the conversation about our official section journal, and any new items that members wish to discuss.

We also hope that you'll join us at the section's reception, cosponsored this year by the APSA Committee on the Status of Blacks in the Profession. The reception will be held on **Saturday, September 1st, beginning at 7:30pm, in Sheraton Rhythms 1**, with hors d'oeuvres and—for a limited time—an open bar (arrive early to get tickets).

At this year's reception we expect to honor the recipients of this year's dissertation and book prizes, and to celebrate the many achievements and successes of our section's members. *Also, those of you from institutions with job openings and graduate students on the market should be prepared to make brief remarks, as well.*

This year's conference in New Orleans also marks an historic first in the level of opportunities for engagement between APSA attendees and the surrounding New Orleans community. In particular the APSA Siting Committee has developed a number of panels, workshops, short courses, tours and events highlighting the significant racial and ethnic politics at work in the city, particularly in light of continued redevelopment since Hurricane Katrina.

We especially encourage you to attend the plenary address by Larry Bagneris, Executive Director of the Human Relations Commission for the City of New Orleans on Thursday at 6:15 p.m, the roundtables chaired by Gary Segura ("Katrina, 7 years On: The Politics of Race and Recovery" on Thursday, Aug 30, 2012, 2:00 PM-3:45 PM) and Meredith Weiss ("Political Science in Theory and Practice: What is the Social Responsibility of APSA and the Profession?" on Saturday, Sep 1, 2012, 2:00 PM-3:45 PM), and the short course entitled "Learning on site: Organizing and Activism in NOLA" which provides opportunities for participants to engage with activists and organizers working in New Orleans, including Saket Soni of the New Orleans Worker's Center for Racial Justice, Deon Haywood of Women with a Vision, and Aaron Viles, Gulf Restoration Network.

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For those who are unable to attend the APSA meeting in New Orleans this year, we encourage you to renew your membership. More so than in years past, there is a sizable gap between the number of current members (518) and the number of those whose membership has lapsed in the last 90 days (612). To keep us strong and competitive, please remember to RENEW your membership for both the APSA and the REP section and to help us RECRUIT new members. Thank you!

The success of the Race, Ethnicity and Politics section is due to the dedication of a broad group of scholars who have volunteered for the section. Our thanks go out to them, and to all of you, for making this section work. We give special thanks to Andy Aoki, who has excelled in his service in various capacities for the REP section over the years, including finding a great new crop of Section officers this year. To those of you who have not yet served, or those would like to do so again, we invite you to email the new nominations committee, headed by Professor Janelle Wong (University of Maryland).

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you all in New Orleans soon!

**2012 Latino Politics Workshop**  
American Political Science Association  
Wednesday, August 29, 2012, 1pm—5:30pm  
Sheraton in New Orleans, Louisiana  
Sheraton Rampart Room

**1:00-1:15:** Welcome and Introductions

**1:15-2:45: Panel I – Speaking to the Media During the 2012 Elections:  
Tips and Pointers for Latino Politics Scholars**

Come hear Latino scholars with extensive media experience share their tips and advice for successfully engaging the media during the 2012 elections. Discuss how to translate data in legible sound bites, working with Spanish-language media and other topics of interest.

**Break 2:45-3:00**

**3:00-4:15: Panel II –Author Roundtable with the 2009 and 2010 APSA  
Latino Caucus Best Books on Latino Politics (/Campaigning to the New  
American Electorate: Advertising to Latino Voters/ (2010) and /Latino  
Politics/ (2009)**

Join us in a roundtable conversation with Latino Caucus book award winners Marisa Abrajano (UC San Diego) and Lisa García Bedolla (UC Berkeley) to discuss their award winning books. Discussants are Christine Bejarano (University of Kansas) and Vanessa Cruz (Univ of Michigan)

**Break 4:15-4:30**

**4:30-5:30: Panel III - Getting Published in the APSR: Editors Roundtable and Q&A**

Meet the new editorial leadership of the *American Political Science Review* — Valerie Martinez-Ebers, John Ishiyama, Marijke Breuning, and Steven Forde of the University of North Texas. Discuss questions regarding peer review and what makes for a successful APSR journal submission.

**The short course is free of charge.**

**To register for the short course, please visit the following link:  
[http://www.apsanet.org/content\\_15038.cfm?navID=968\\*](http://www.apsanet.org/content_15038.cfm?navID=968*)**

## **Notices and Reports from Section Committees and Caucuses**

### **Report from the Indigenous Studies Network**

The 2011 Annual Meeting in Seattle, “The Politics of Rights” was well suited to the examination of Indigenous politics and, as a result, featured the largest presence of Indigenous scholarship than APSA has seen in many years, both in terms of panels and participants. The Indigenous Studies Network (ISN) sponsored two panels entitled “Laws, Organizations and Indigenous Peoples’ Rights” and “Theorizing Settler-Colonialism.” The ISN was also delighted to offer unofficial support to a theme panel “Indigenous Peoples and the Discourse of Rights” which featured renowned and emerging Indigenous scholars.

The ISN is pleased to again co-sponsor two panels at the 2012 Annual Meeting in New Orleans. “Indigenous Political Mobilization and Representation in International Perspective” will be held on Thursday, August 30 at 10:15 am and “Indigenous Politics in U.S. and Comparative Relief” will be held on Friday, August 31 at 4:15 pm. As in 2011, these panels will feature exciting projects by Indigenous and non-Indigenous scholars from around the world.

The ISN will hold its annual business meeting on Friday, August 31 at 12:15 pm. All are welcome.

We also welcome any questions, interest or new members. For more information, please contact either of our co-chairs Sheryl Lightfoot ([Sheryl.lightfoot@ubc.ca](mailto:Sheryl.lightfoot@ubc.ca)) or Laura Evans ([evansle@uw.edu](mailto:evansle@uw.edu)).

## Report from the Asian Pacific American Caucus

The Asian Pacific American Caucus (APAC), an APSA related group, represents members of the American Political Science Association (APSA) who identify as Asian-Pacific American (APA) and scholars interested in the interests of the APA community. APAC is co-sponsoring **one panel** this year at the APSA annual meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana on Labor Day weekend.

### **Panel 32-5 Asian Americans and the Future of American Politics**

#### **Cosponsored with Race, Ethnicity, and Politics**

Date and Time: Friday, Aug 31, 2012, 10:15 AM-12:00 PM

Room assignment TBA.

Chair(s): Andrew L. Aoki, Augsburg College, [aoki@augsborg.edu](mailto:aoki@augsborg.edu)

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*The Future of Asian American Politics*, Andrew L. Aoki, Augsburg College, [aoki@augsborg.edu](mailto:aoki@augsborg.edu)

*The Quest for Redress: A Comparative Case Study of the Filipino Veterans Equity Movement and the Japanese American Redress Movement*, Jeanette Yih Harvie, University of California, Santa Barbara, [jyih@umail.ucsb.edu](mailto:jyih@umail.ucsb.edu)

*Asian American Issues: Congruence and Mismatch between the Mass and Elites*, Saemyi Park, University of Wisconsin, Madison, [spark38@wisc.edu](mailto:spark38@wisc.edu)

*Representing Asian Americans at State and Local Levels*, Pei-te Lien, University of California, Santa Barbara, [plien@polsci.ucsb.edu](mailto:plien@polsci.ucsb.edu)

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Details on the panel may be found at: [https://www.apsanet.org/mtgs/program\\_2012/program.cfm?event=1578918](https://www.apsanet.org/mtgs/program_2012/program.cfm?event=1578918)

### **APAC Business Meeting**

At APSA, APAC will host its yearly APAC business meeting. This meeting is open to anyone interested in learning about APAC's work, which includes encouraging original research related to the interests of Asian-Pacific Americans. APAC is especially interested in helping young scholars find avenues to present their work and develop their careers.

Time: Friday, August 31, 6:15-7:15pm

Hotel: Sheraton New Orleans

Room: Crescent Boardroom

### **APAC Reception**

The Asian Pacific American Caucus, the **Committee on the Status of Asian Pacific Americans in Political Science, the Latino Caucus, and the Committee on the Status of Latinos in the profession will jointly host a reception immediately following the APAC business meeting, on Friday, Aug 31, 2012, 7:30 PM-9:00 PM** (location TBD).

For more information about APAC, please visit our website at: [www.apa-politics.org/index.html](http://www.apa-politics.org/index.html)

## Report from the Latino Caucus

In 2012, the APSA Latino Caucus in Political Science has been engaging in activities old and new. In addition to selecting recipients for our Fund for Latino Scholarship and holding our annual short course on Latino politics, this year we are pleased to award our first two recipients for the Best Book on Latino Politics. The 2009 book award goes to Lisa García Bedolla for her book *Latino Politics* (Cambridge, U.K.: Polity); the 2010 award goes to Marisa Abrajano for *Campaigning to the New American Electorate: Television Advertising to Latinos* (Stanford University Press). The Committee on the Status of Latinos y Latinas in the Profession has also awarded the Adaljiza Sosa-Riddell Award for Exemplary Mentoring. The undergraduate award for mentoring Latino/a Students goes to Jessica Lavariega-Monforti (University of Texas – Pan American) and the award for mentoring of Latino/a junior faculty goes to Michael Jones-Correa (Cornell).

This year, we are co-hosting our reception with the Asian-Pacific American Caucus and the APSA Committee on the Status of Asian-Pacific Americans in the Profession. We are also hosting two panels at this year's Annual Meeting: a roundtable on the Latino vote in the 2012 elections and a second panel titled "Emerging Voices in Latino Politics: Identity, Culture, Ideology." In addition to the two panels organized by the Caucus and Status Committee, this year's annual meeting features more than twenty panels on Latina/o politics.

Finally, we are delighted that one of the founding members of the Latino Caucus, Valerie Martinez-Ebers (University of North Texas) is part of the new editorial leadership of the *American Political Science Review*.

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# 2012 REP Section Awards

## BEST DISSERTATION AWARD

*Dignity's Revolt: Threat, Identity, and Immigrant Mass Mobilization*  
Christopher Zepeda-Millán, Cornell University Ph.D.

## BEST BOOKS

### **Best Book on Race, Ethnicity, and Political Participation**

*Why Americans Don't Join the Party*  
Zoltan L. Hajnal and Taeku Lee  
Princeton University Press

### **Best Book on Race, Ethnicity, and Representation**

*Congress in Black and White*  
Christian R. Grose  
Cambridge University Press

### **Best Book on Race, Ethnicity, and Public Policy**

*Power from Powerlessness*  
Laura E. Evans  
Oxford University Press

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