Call for Proposals: The 2024 Annual Conference of the Chinese Language Teachers Association, USA (Notice No. 1, 9/6/2023)

CLTA

St. Louis, Missouri
Conference Date: April 5 – April 7, 2024
Conference Site: Marriott St. Louis Grand,
800 Washington Avenue, St. Louis MO 63101

The Chinese Language Teachers Association - USA (CLTA-USA) plans to hold its **2024 Annual Conference** (a fully in-person conference) from April 5 to April 7 in St. Louis. The annual conference aims to provide a platform for Chinese teachers, scholars, graduate students, and school administrators to exchange teaching experience, and share cutting-edge research findings of Chinese language acquisition, pedagogy, assessment, and/or instructional technology. In addition, the conference committee will organize workshops and colloquia during the annual conference. We sincerely invite colleagues worldwide (including non-CLTA-USA members) to participate in the 2024 annual conference to exchange experiences and engage in meaningful discussions.

Proposal Submission Deadline: October 29, 2023, 11:59 pm (Eastern Time)

Proposal Submission Website: https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/CLTA2024/

Proposal Submission Policies:
- Submissions are welcome from CLTA members as well as non-members, and from scholars based inside and outside the United States. Graduate students are also welcome to submit.
- Proposals, written in either English or Chinese, are acceptable.
- Submissions should fall into one of the three categories and be clearly labeled (i.e., individual papers, panels, roundtable discussions; see below for more detailed descriptions).
- Each individual can submit only <u>one</u> proposal as a single or first author, across all three proposal types. The same individual may be listed as a co-author in a second proposal, appearing in a maximum of two proposals.
- If one proposal has multiple authors/presenters, information of all authors/presenters should be included during the proposal submission.

Proposal Types:
CLTA 2024 accepts three types of proposals: individual papers, panels, and roundtable discussions. Please select the appropriate category when submitting your proposal online. Additional requirements for proposal submission are as follows:

1. **Individual Papers**. This category is for proposals to present empirical research findings or innovative teaching practices. Each paper is allotted 15 minutes for presentation. The proposal should include (1) an abstract that does not exceed 300 English words or 450 Chinese characters, and (2) a summary that does not exceed 50 English words or 75 Chinese characters. At the conference, individual papers that share a related topic will be put into sessions. Each session has three 15-minute presentations and then one 5-minute Q&A.

2. **Panels**. This category is for a 50-minute panel comprised of three or four presentations on a common theme. The presentations can be related to empirical studies or explore issues on theory and practice. Each panel must have a lead presenter responsible for submitting the panel proposal. The proposal must include (1) an overarching title for the panel and titles of individual presentations, (2) an abstract that does not exceed 500 English words or 750 Chinese characters, and (3) a summary that does not exceed 80 English words or 120 Chinese characters.

3. **Roundtable Discussions**. **(New!)** Roundtable discussions provide opportunities for informal and in-depth discussions between presenters and attendees on a specific topic. They are particularly well suited for works-in-progress or projects that seek collaborators, including research, pedagogical practice, and interesting teaching activities. The proposal should include (1) an abstract that does not exceed 250 English words or 300 Chinese characters (note the abstract shall specify what the presenter seeks from the audience), and (2) a summary that does not exceed 50 English words or 75 Chinese characters.

   Each roundtable session is scheduled for 50 minutes, during which three presenters present their work consecutively for 10 minutes each around a table. The remaining 20 minutes are used for the three presenters and the attendees to engage in a group discussion.

Proposal Review and Notification of Results:
- Each proposal will be reviewed anonymously by several invited experts/peer reviewers.
- Notification of proposal acceptance/refusal will be sent out by e-mail on **December 10, 2023**. Please make sure your email address is correct during the proposal submission.

Registration Upon Acceptance Policies:
- If your proposal is accepted, you will be asked to register for the conference in order to confirm your acceptance into the program. Failure to register will result in the proposal acceptance being rescinded.
- For each accepted multi-authored presentation, all authors must register. Failure to register will result in the proposal acceptance being rescinded.
- More details on registration will be provided in later communication.

Award Categories and Application:
- CLTA supports two conference presentation awards—the Tao-chung Ted Yao Memorial Award and the K-12 Presentation Award. Eligible individuals are welcome to apply for these awards. Please check the award requirements and application deadlines at the CLTA website https://www.clta-us.org/awards/.
- CLTA has several additional non-presentation awards. The award certificate will be issued at the general member meeting at the conference. For detailed information regarding eligibility, procedures, and deadlines, please visit: http://clta-us.org/awards/.

Conference Website and Contact Information
- Conference website: https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/CLTA2024/
- All inquiries about the annual meeting should be sent to: AnnualMeetingCLTA@gmail.com. Title of the email should include "CLTA 2024 Annual Conference".
- All K-12 educators who register for the conference and need a PDP certificate, please email the CLTA Headquarters at hq@clta-us.org.

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We look forward to seeing you at the 2024 Annual Conference of CLTA-USA!

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