

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Muriel Harris Outstanding Service Award (MHOSA), Nominations due June 15, 2025

Named after its first recipient and given at every other International Writing Centers Association (IWCA) conference, the Muriel Harris Outstanding Service Award (MHOSA) recognizes a writing center professional for outstanding and sustained service that has had an enduring impact on the writing center community over the course of their career in significant and broad-based ways. We encourage all members of the writing center community to consider nominating, or re-nominating, an individual whose professional service in the form of leadership, scholarly contributions, mentoring, and teaching have had an enduring impact on the field and merit recognition in the form of this award.

Nominations should be sent electronically to Michael Pemberton, Chair of the committee, at michaelp@georgiasouthern.edu. They should be sent as a single PDF document with pages numbered, and should include the following materials:

- A letter of nomination that includes the name and institution of the nominee, your personal knowledge of or experience with the nominee's service contributions to the writing center community, and your name, institutional affiliation, and email address.
- Supporting documents (maximum of 5 pages; approx. 3000 words). These documents may include an abbreviated curriculum vitae that emphasizes writing center work, published material, or original work by the nominee.
- Letters of support (optional but limited to 2).

If you have previously nominated a deserving candidate, please consider submitting an updated nomination.

All materials must be received by Michael Pemberton by June 15, 2025. The winner of the Award will be announced at the 2025 IWCA Conference in Cincinnati, OH, October 16-18, 2025. Read about the history of the MHOSA in [Writing Lab Newsletter 34.7, pp. 6-7](#).

Middle East North Africa Writing Centers Association (MENAWCA) Conference

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October 9-12, 2025

New York University Abu Dhabi

"Co-Creation with AI: Navigating New Horizons in Writing and Learning"

The proposal form to fill out is on the conference website:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSenByANRmdDeB10kyndd5kdyCsi9bMgElfs-930Z7Bj6vSL7g/viewform>

Send the completed CFP form to nyuad.menawca@nyu.edu.

Submission deadline: April 30, 2025.

2025 IWCA/NCPTW Joint Conference

The 2025 IWCA/NCPTW joint conference will be held October 15-18 at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati, OH. Look for our forthcoming call for proposals, which will be due on May 1, 2025! Early registration will open in April.

2025 OWCA Professional Development Symposium

The Online Writing Centers Association invites members to submit a presentation or workshop plan for our online symposium: a one-day event with engaging online sessions and opportunities for networking on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Please see the attached invitation below for more information and additional details on submission materials.

Note that we have a priority and final deadline for those interested in presenting. You can submit your materials via this [OWCA 2025 Professional Development Symposium Submission Link](#).

For transparency, the OWCA conference committee would like to let members know that this Professional Development Symposium is happening in lieu of the originally scheduled conference this year. Preparations are already underway for an OWCA 2026 conference.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the OWCA Conference Chair: [Jenny Torres](#).

CONFERENCE CALENDAR

May 20, 2025: Online Writing Centers Association Professional Development Symposium

Contact: owca-conference@onlinewritingcenters.org

Website: <https://www.onlinewritingcenters.org/calendar/2025-owca-conference/>

June 16-18, 2025: Canadian Writing Centers Association, Virtual

Contact: Christin Wright-Taylor: chtaylor@wlu.ca

October 9-12, 2025: Middle East North Africa Writing Centers Association, in Abu Dhabi

Contact: nyuad.menawca@nyu.edu

Website: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSenByANRmdDeB10kyndd5kdyCsi9bMgElfs-930Z7Bj6vSL7g/viewform>