

2020 Annual Meeting
February 14–15, 2020

Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida

Meeting Information

Florida State University will host the annual meeting of the American Musicological Society Southern Chapter in Tallahassee, Florida on February 14–15, 2020. The paper sessions will be held in Dohnanyi Recital Hall in the Housewright Music Building on the FSU campus. By air, Tallahassee is served by the Tallahassee International Airport (code TLH; 6 miles from campus). A block of rooms has been set aside at a conference rate at the [Doubletree by Hilton Tallahassee](#) (101 S. Adams St.; 1-877-800-2652; [group code AMS](#), \$129/night + tax, book by Jan. 24). The Doubletree provides complimentary on-site parking, a complimentary airport shuttle, and is within walking distance of the Housewright Music Building (5 blocks). Other hotels in the vicinity include the [Aloft Tallahassee Downtown](#) (850-513-0313); [Residence Inn by Marriott Tallahassee Universities at the Capitol](#) (850-329-9080); [Days Inn by Wyndham Tallahassee University Center](#) (850-222-3219); and [Econo Lodge](#) (850-877-2755). Attendees are advised to book hotel rooms well in advance, since our meeting coincides with the Florida legislative session and a number of local events. Inquiries concerning local arrangements may be sent to Sarah Eyerly (seyerly@fsu.edu).

Call for Papers

To submit a proposal for the chapter meeting, send an abstract as an email attachment in Microsoft Word format (.doc or .docx extension) to Abstracts Editor Joe Gennaro (Joe.Gennaro@ucf.edu). The abstracts editor will remove the names from the proposals and submit them anonymously to the program committee. Only one proposal per person will be considered. Submissions must be received by **Friday, November 15, 2019, 6 pm (EST)**. Abstracts should be double spaced, no longer than 350 words, and should indicate all equipment needs, including need of a piano. Papers as read should not exceed 20 minutes.

As a reminder: The Southern Chapter continues to solicit proposals for presentations in alternative formats. In addition to soliciting individual presentations, the chapter invites proposals for panel discussions and presentations in formats such as lecture-recitals, film screenings, seminars, and pedagogical sessions.

All presenters must be members in good standing of both the AMS national organization and the Southern Chapter. Once the Program Committee has selected a preliminary list of presenters, the program chair will forward the names to the national office to ensure membership is current before sending out responses to those who have submitted proposals.

Please consider the following recommendations published by the national AMS organization:

Abstracts should represent the talk as fully as possible. Successful abstracts typically state the specific research findings, substantiate them, and indicate their significance. Abstracts should make clear what is already known and what is new in the proposal. The Program Committee generally will fault abstracts that merely allude to findings or conclusions (*AMS Newsletter*, Vol. 30, No. 2, August 2000, p. 13).

Student Paper Award

Students whose papers have been accepted for inclusion in the AMS-S program may apply to receive the Student Paper Award of \$250 by following these guidelines:

1. To be eligible for the student paper award, a student must be enrolled in a graduate music program, must not have completed the Ph.D., and must be a current member of both the national AMS and the Southern Chapter. Note: to be eligible the student must be a student member of the AMS (not a “regular” member).
2. Before being considered for the award, student papers must be accepted for presentation at the chapter meeting through the normal review process. The student whose paper is accepted must attend the chapter meeting and present the paper.
3. A copy of the complete paper, including handouts, must be received via email by Chapter President Brett Boutwell (boutwell@lsu.edu) by Friday, February 7, 2020 at 6 pm (EST). Slideshow files and audio/video files, if essential to the presentation, must be shared via Dropbox with boutwell@lsu.edu prior to the submission deadline.
4. The award will consist of \$250. The winner will be announced at the business meeting or (if the competition extends into Saturday morning) immediately after the meeting. He or she will be acknowledged in the March AMS-S newsletter and in the newsletter of the national organization.
5. The committee reserves the right to refrain from making an award if the members deem no student paper worthy. A student who wins the award is ineligible to receive the award again in the year immediately following.

Travel Assistance for Student Members

To help students with travel expenses, our chapter contributes up to \$200 to each student presenting one of the regular papers or poster sessions at the national AMS meeting. To qualify, a student must be a member in good standing of both the AMS and the Southern Chapter and must attend the national meeting and present the paper or poster session in person. Students receiving acceptances for the Boston meeting (October 31—November 3, 2019) should contact Secretary-Treasurer Sarah Provost (s.c.provost@unf.edu) and be prepared to submit receipts for reimbursement of expenses after travel is completed.

In addition, AMS-S allots a maximum of \$600 per year to reimburse travel costs of students presenting papers at our chapter meetings. These funds will be divided regardless of students’ institutional affiliations. No student will receive more than \$100 per year, and AMS-S will only reimburse expenses not covered by a student’s home institution. No application is necessary; the secretary-treasurer will verify student eligibility with a faculty member from each institution, and then disburse the funds to students after the meeting.

Are You a Member in Good Standing?

Annual dues for our chapter are \$10 for regular members and \$5 for students. If you did not attend the February 2019 meeting or mail a check to the secretary-treasurer during this calendar year, you still owe dues for 2019. Please send a note with your current email address and a check in the appropriate amount (made out to AMS, with “Southern Chapter Dues” in the memo line) to the AMS-S secretary-treasurer: Dr. Sarah Provost, School of Music, 1 UNF Drive, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL 32224.

Note also that Article XI of the AMS By-laws requires chapter members to be members in good standing of the AMS national organization.

Chapter Officers and Representatives

Brett Boutwell (Louisiana State University), President
Joseph Sargent (University of Alabama), President-Elect
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Chapter Committees

The Program Committee for the 2020 Annual Meeting is Charles Brewer (Florida State University), chair; Kathleen Sewright (Winter Springs, Florida); and Maria Cizmic (University of South Florida).

The Nominating Committee is Ed Hafer (University of Southern Mississippi), chair; Margaret Butler (University of Florida); and Valerie Goertzen (Loyola University New Orleans).

Regular members of the chapter interested in serving on a committee by appointment should contact President Brett Boutwell (boutwell@lsu.edu) for consideration. Those interested in serving as a chapter officer should contact the chair of the Nominating Committee, Ed Hafer (edward.hafer@usm.edu), for consideration.

Online Connections

If you received this message indirectly but would like to stay up to date on all of our newsletters and activities directly, you can add yourself to the AMS-S mailing list by joining [our Google Group](#). If you have problems joining or otherwise need help, send an email to Brett Boutwell (boutwell@lsu.edu) and he can add you directly. You can also follow us on [Facebook](#) to keep apprised of the latest news about our chapter.

Our full [chapter website](#) contains minutes and programs of our annual meetings, past issues of

the Newsletter, the chapter bylaws, members' news, and links to the national AMS website. Members are encouraged to send news of accomplishments, awards, or honors to chapter Webmaster Andreas Giger (agiger1@lsu.edu).