Mycological Society of America

Call for Proposals: MSA 2024 Workshops and Sypmosia

Proposals are due October 1, 2023

Symposia and workshop proposals should include the following information:

- Title
- Names of the organizers of the symposium or leaders of the workshop
- Rationale for importance of the topic to fungal biology (< 200 words)
- Potential speakers (with employment position, institution), plan for 5-6 speakers (30 minutes/speaker). Indicate whether they have agreed to speak.
- Estimated budget and potential sources of funding that you have or are willing to pursue.

Workshop proposals should also include:

- Requested time slot (e.g., length of time needed and if the workshop will be held during, before, or after the meeting)
- Estimate of cost, if any, and how this cost would be charged (e.g., a fee for attending).
- Special accommodations and/or equipment needed (e.g., microscopes, computers)

Evaluation of symposia proposals will include the following criteria:

- The proposal presents cutting-edge topics, approaches, or broadly synthetic ideas that highlight the study of fungi.
- The invited speakers represent investigators making significant contributions in the symposium topic area.
- Number of confirmed speakers.
- Speaker lists will reflect gender balance, diverse backgrounds, and varied career stages. Priority will be given to speakers who have not had an opportunity to present at MSA symposia in the last two years and one slot will be reserved for a speaker selected through abstract submission.
- Estimated Budget - MSA is able to provide up to $5000 per symposium (up to three symposia), but symposia organizers should plan to pursue additional sources of funding as an offset.

Please provide proposals to the **Program Chair, Ning Zhang(**ningz@rutgers.edu**),** by **October 1, 2023.**

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