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A Few Words from Patricia Pendry, ISAZ President



To the ISAZ community,

As you may suspect, it has been an extremely busy month for all of us at ISAZ. First and foremost, together with Shelly Volsche and Nikki Bennett, our fabulous conference hosts, we have been working hard to accommodate a smooth transition to a [virtual ISAZ 2022](#). Fortunately, we have built up excellent institutional knowledge and developed great relationships with the knowledgeable team who will be providing the essential technical expertise necessary to deliver a fabulous conference. You will also be happy to know that our impressive keynote speakers are still committed to share their research – you can read more about what inspires them about our field on the [ISAZ Student Blog](#). In addition, we are excited to share that the pivot to a virtual format has led us to receive many more abstract submissions from researchers around the world. We all look forward to seeing you as we begin to count down the days until the conference!

I am also extremely happy to share with you that we have formally launched a call for our first [Diversity Equity and Inclusion Award](#). Our development committee, awards committee, and many others at ISAZ are excited to announce this initiative to enhance the attendance and participation of culturally diverse and underrepresented groups at our conferences. We are especially grateful to Pet Partners and Mars Waltham, who are generously sponsoring the first round of the ISAZ 2022 DEI awards. We have already received several applications and look forward to recognizing our recipients at the next conference. We recognize that this is merely a first step in facilitating greater diversity in our membership and HAI community. If you have creative ideas that contribute to this important cause, we would love to hear from you!

We are actively engaged in redesigning our website, a process that has been years in the making. If all goes according to plan, our new website will be revealed during ISAZ 2022. We have also made excellent progress toward re-envisioning the ISAZ membership renewal process, which we hope to have in place in the Fall of this year. Last but not least, we are always looking to increase engagement of our student members and recognizing exceptional accomplishments through our awards committee.

As always, I encourage you to reach out to our board and to me, as we welcome your ideas and contributions. I look forward to sharing our ongoing accomplishments, and I wish you a great spring and summer!

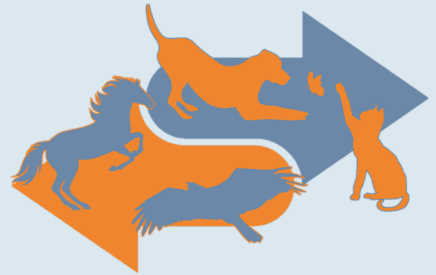
Patricia Pendry

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ISAZ 2022 Conference News

Hello again from the Conference Hosts and Planning Committee!

It has been a whirlwind since the last newsletter, and we have plenty of news to share regarding ISAZ 2022 in July.



First, the “bad” news.

After careful consideration, and in conjunction with the ISAZ President and Board of Directors, we made the incredibly difficult decision to **move our 2022 conference to a completely online format**. The dates of the conference remain the same (July 7-9, 2022), so if you already blocked out the dates, you are set!

We came to this decision based upon the following factors:

- Feedback from our recent attendance survey showed less than 50% of respondents planned to attend the conference in person.
- Despite rising vaccine rates and decreasing infection rates in the United States, costs of travel and continued concerns over the pandemic are clearly impacting attendance plans.

We appreciate that this is disappointing news for some, but we were prepared for this possibility. We have already begun working with Oxford Abstracts and Creature Conferences (the same services as 2021) to provide an engaging conference experience. We are also taking feedback from last year's conference to heart and are making every effort to further simplify the process and interactivity of attendance.

Now, the “good” news!

We want to assure all ISAZ members, attendees, and partner organizations that we still have an excellent conference planned, with **plenty of opportunities to interact in real time**. We are talking unstructured Zoom networking opportunities throughout the day, livestream chat, and a fun conference scavenger hunt.

Oh, and did we mention the swag?

One thing we all miss about in-person conferences is the SWAG! This year, we are offering [t-shirts \(long-sleeve and short sleeve\)](#) and [coffee](#)

ISAZ 2022 Conference News (continued)

[mugs](#) adorned with the conference logo.

All proceeds from the purchase of your swag go directly to ISAZ to fund future scholarships, conferences, and more. And the more we buy, the more support we can generate.

Plus! This year we will be doing an assortment of social media activities before and during the conference. Be sure you have your swag in time to participate and use #ISAZ2022!

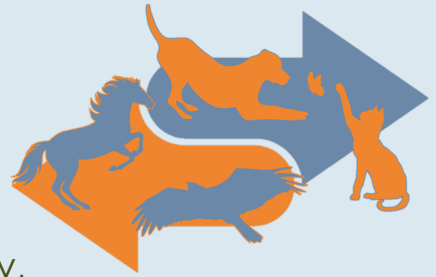
We have also secured **continued commitment from our amazing lineup of keynote speakers**. Participating this year are:

- **Alexandra Horowitz, Barnard College**
Canine cognition expert and author
- **Iván Sandoval-Cervantes, University of Nevada, Las Vegas**
Assistant Professor of cultural anthropology
- **Michelle Rodrigues, Marquette University**
Assistant Professor of biological anthropology
- **Suzanne Asha Stone, International Wildlife Coexistence Network**
Founder of Wood River Wolf Project and Director of IWCN

Whether disseminating research findings, training practitioners and future scholars, or working within our communities, research must be shared to be useful. To this end, we are excited to offer a program rich in diversity of topics, scholars, career stages, and methodologies discussing human-animal relationships. The conference will feature livestream talks and symposia, a full OnDemand library, and poster presentations to showcase current anthrozoological work.

Join us this July for **Anthrozoology in Translation: Communicating Research from and to Multiple Audiences**.

[Registration is now open!](#)



ISAZ Announcements

ISAZ 2022 conference registration is now open!

Register before June 15, 2022, for early bird pricing. Additionally, all current ISAZ members receive a registration discount – so make sure to [renew](#) your membership!

[Click here to register.](#)

Announcing ISAZ's first DEI Award!

The 2022 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion awards were generously sponsored by Pet Partners and Mars Waltham. Recipients will receive support for their ISAZ 2022 conference registration fee and/or their ISAZ 2022 membership dues.

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the award:

- Be a member of an underrepresented group (e.g., racial/minority identification, nationality, sexual orientation, age, socioeconomic status, disability/other special needs)
- Student, post doc, faculty, or research scientist
- Currently enrolled in an educational institution/currently employed at an institution/organization
- Must have submitted an abstract and agreed to present and/or contributed as an

author on an accepted presentation

- Must be willing to complete a report on their conference attendance

Applicants must submit:

- Online application/complete biographical sketch
- Personal statement as to why they are well-suited for the ISAZ-DEI award, with emphasis on experience, background in the field of anthrozoology, employment, future career directions (1 page max.)
- ISAZ 2022 abstract submission number

Application deadline: May 1, 2022, at 11:59 pm (PDT). [Click here to apply.](#)

Anthrozoös is now on Twitter!

Follow [@AnthrozoosJ](#) to keep up with the latest research in anthrozoology.



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Meet the Anthrozoologist

This month, we reached out to our four highly anticipated [ISAZ 2022 Conference Keynote Speakers](#) – Alexandra Horowitz, Iván Sandoval-Cervantes, Michelle Rodrigues, and Suzanne Asha Stone – with the question, “What excites you most about the work that you’re doing, and how do you see it moving the field of anthrozoology forward?”
[Visit the ISAZ Student Blog to read their thoughtful responses.](#)



Alexandra Horowitz,
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Iván Sandoval-Cervantes,
MSc, PhD



Michelle Rodrigues,
MA, PhD



Suzanne Asha Stone,
MSc

Write for the ISAZ Student Blog

We are currently accepting submissions for the [ISAZ Student Blog](#). **All current members of ISAZ (student or otherwise) are eligible to submit.**

The goal of the ISAZ Student Blog is to encourage networking and facilitate collaboration among researchers in anthrozoology.

If interested, please visit the ISAZ Student Blog [Submissions](#) page for more information and guidelines on how to submit.

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Featured Articles

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The Importance of the Koala in Aboriginal Society in Nineteenth-Century Queensland (Australia): A Reconsideration of the Archival Record

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Understanding and Conceptualizing Childhood Animal Harm: A Meta-Narrative Systematic Review

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[Read the newest issue of Anthrozoös, Volume 35, Issue 2](#)
(available free to ISAZ members)!

Interested in submitting your work to Anthrozoös? [Click here.](#)

Upcoming Conferences

Advancing Animal Welfare Science

– [UFAW International Conference](#)

- In-person, June 28-29, 2022

Constructional Approach to Animal Welfare and Training

– [The 3rd Annual CAAWT Conference](#)

- Virtual, July 25-30, 2022

Animal Behavior Society – [ABS 2022 Costa Rica](#)

- Hybrid, July 20-23, 2022

American Psychological Association – [APA 2022](#)

- Hybrid, August 4-6, 2022

International Society of Applied Ethology – [The 55th Congress of the International Society of Applied Ethology “Animal Behaviour and Beyond”](#)

- In-person, September 4-8, 2022

IAHAIO – [IAHAIO 2022 30th Anniversary Conference](#)

- Abstract deadline: [May 30, 2022](#)
- In-person, September 2-4, 2022

Society for Companion Animal Studies – [2022 SCAS Conference “Pet Friendly Housing: How Can We Keep People and Pets Together?”](#)

- Virtual, September 18, 2022

Upcoming Special Issues

Human-Animal Interaction Bulletin:
[Animal Hospice/Palliative Care, Euthanasia, and Grief/Loss Related to Companion Animals](#)

Deadline: June 1, 2022

New HAI Journal Announcement

Psychology of Human-Animal Intergroup Relations (PHAIR):

A new online-only, open-access journal for scientific inquiries into how humans perceive, treat, and interact with nonhuman animals.

[Click here to learn more.](#)

Funding Opportunities

SCAS Funding Opportunities

Sponsor: Society for Companion Animal Studies

Topics of Interest: The role of pets in the management of mental and/or physical health conditions.

Details: Eight (8) funding grants available. Projects should last no longer than 12 months.

Deadline: April 30, 2022

For more information, [click here](#).

Student Opportunities

International Student Symposium on Animal Behaviour and Cognition – [ISSABC 2022](#)

- Virtual, May 17-20, 2022

Organization: University of Calgary, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine (Alberta, Canada)

Position: PhD student

Details: Seeking a motivated graduate student interested in cattle welfare and behavior. The successful candidate should have an MSc degree in animal science, agriculture, biology. Start date September 2022.

Application Deadline: June 1, 2022

For more information, [click here](#).

Organization: Nottingham Trent University, School of Animal, Rural, and Environmental Sciences (Nottingham, UK)

Position: Fully funded PhD student (UK students only)

Details: Harnessing people power for hedgehogs: Using predictors of hedgehog abundance across an urban-rural gradient to inform conservation strategies.

Application Deadline: May 20, 2022

For more information, [click here](#).

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Not an ISAZ member? [Find the application for membership here](#).

Membership benefits include:

- Six (6) issues per year of Anthrozoös
- Online access to the full back catalog of Anthrozoös
- Eligibility for membership in the ISAZ listserv
- Access to the Society's annual membership directory
- Substantially reduced registration fees for all ISAZ conferences
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