



LONDON CONFERENCE POSTPONED TO SUMMER 2021!!

A top priority of the IARR Board and the London 2020 Conference Team is the safety of our members and conference guests as well as members of the global community (which we would come in contact with during travel), due to the ongoing Global COVID-19 Pandemic. Thus, we made the difficult decision to postpone the London 2020 Conference to the summer of 2021. While this is not ideal, the move does allow us to keep everyone safe, to likely plan for the best possible conference with fewer uncertainties, and to keep IARR financially strong.

This change has an impact on our announcement of the 2022 conference and has caused a move of our 2021 New Scholar Workshop and Mini-Conferences. Here is our plan to date knowing that the future remains uncertain given the health and economic impacts COVID-19 is creating:

July 29-August 2, 2021: IARR Main Conference in London at Imperial College.

The Program Committee will send an email out to all of those with accepted symposia, papers and posters later this fall to see if you can still present your accepted paper or an updated version in 2021. Those who cannot attend the conference in 2021 will be given the opportunity to withdraw their submission. The Program Committee will then advertise another call for **poster** proposals in early 2021 so that the program can remain robust. Stay tuned.

Please remember to cancel or postpone any flights, trains, car rentals, hotel and tourist reservations already booked for this summer. We hope that anyone with nonrefundable tickets will be able to negotiate a refund or credit due to the reason for postponing the conference- the Global COVID-19 Pandemic. If you need a letter from me to that effect please contact me at anita.barbee@louisville.edu.

ANNOUNCING FOR THE FIRST TIME!!!!

July 7-11, 2022: The IARR Main Conference will be held in **Boston**, Massachusetts at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel. Ashley Duggan of Boston College, and Jeffrey Stokes of the University of Massachusetts-Boston will serve as Co-Chairs for the local arrangements of the conference. A Program Chair will be named soon. The IARR Board is very excited about having a conference in beautiful Boston!

PLANNED NEW SCHOLAR WORKSHOP AND MINI-CONFERENCES POSTPONED TO 2023!!

May 18-21, 2023: The IARR New Scholar Workshop and Mini-Conference on *Resilience in Interpersonal and Social Environments (RISE)* will be held at Arizona State University in Phoenix, AZ. In 2023 instead of 2021. Kristin Mickelson from the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences at ASU, Masumi Iida from The Sanford School of Social and Family Dynamics at ASU and Ashley Randall from the College of Integrative Sciences and Arts at ASU will serve as Co-Chairs.



June 8-10, 2023: The IARR Mini-Conference on the *Dark Side of Relationships* will be held at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, AL in 2023 rather than 2021. The Mini-Conference will feature an Innovative Methods Pre-Conference on the first day. The Pre-Conference will include workshop demonstrations of current and innovative methodologies from experts in the field used to study relationships as well as sessions to troubleshoot and solve methodological challenges. The Pre-Conference will be useful for anyone -- novice or seasoned scholars. The Mini-Conference theme will focus on aversive, problematic, and dysfunctional behaviors, communication, and experiences in relationships. The organizers from the University of Alabama include: Leah LeFebvre, Josh Pederson, and Heather Carmack in the Department of Communication Studies and Casey Totenhagen and Robert Laird in the Department of Family Studies and Human Development.