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NEWSLETTER

June 2022

2022 AATA Meetings

Annual Panel: To be held (face to face) in conjunction with MESA conference on Dec. 1, 2022, in Denver, CO

*Panel will be finalized soon. For updates, visit AATA website or click [here](#).

Business Meeting: Dec. 1, 2022, in Denver, CO

- For more details, visit AATA website or click [here](#).

4th Biennial U-M International Conference on Arabic

Applied Linguistics, Nov. 19-20, 2022

For the conference program, click [here](#)

To register (free), click [here](#)

For more information, click [here](#)



Al-'Arabiyya: Call for Submissions

- Volume 54 was published in November 2022. For more information, click [here](#)
- Due to delays related to the Covid-19 pandemic, Al-'Arabiyya Volume 55 will be published together with Volume 56 next year, 2023.

Al-'Arabiyya, the journal of the American Association of Teachers of Arabic, is a leading journal in the field of Arabic language pedagogy and Arabic linguistics. Al-'Arabiyya is indexed by many indexing services including: Clarivate Analytics and SCOPUS.

Al-'Arabiyya welcomes scholarly and pedagogical articles, and book reviews that contribute to the advancement of study, criticism, research, and teaching in the fields of Arabic language, linguistics, and literature. The journal also considers responses and comments on articles published in previous issues. Review articles are also welcome; contact the editor to propose one.

To be considered for the next issue (Volume 56), submissions are due August 15, 2022 by 8:00PM EST. We consider submissions year round and accept a submission for the following issue if received after August 1. *Previously published pieces or those being considered for publication elsewhere will not be accepted.* More information [here](#).

Please address all correspondence regarding submissions to:

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TRANSLATION CONTEST

The American Association of Teachers of Arabic Translation Contest Award is given biennially in recognition of outstanding achievement by students of Arabic in translating into English a significant work or portion of a work composed in Arabic.

Categories:

1. Literary Arabic
2. Nonliterary Arabic

Prizes awarded per category:

- First-Place: \$600
- Second-Place: \$400

Deadline for Submission:
August 31, 2022

For details regarding qualifications, terms, and submission information, click [here](#).

BOOK AWARD

The American Association of Teachers of Arabic Book Award is given biennially in recognition of outstanding work in any field related to Arabic. Nomination to the award is made by AATA Executive Board and general members for recently published books which make an exceptional contribution to the field. For previous awards, click [here](#).

In collaboration between American Association of Teachers of Arabic (AATA) and Middlebury College Summer Arabic Program

Thursday, July 14th, 2022 | 7:30-9:00pm (EST)

Location: Middlebury College Summer Arabic Program

To stream the workshop online, register [here](#)

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Other News

Congratulations to the following colleagues who were elected early this year to serve on AATA Executive Board (2022-2024):

- Mbarek Sryfi, University of Pennsylvania
- Abdulkareem Said Ramadan, Gettysburg College
- Haruko Sakaedani, University of Tokyo

We are deeply saddened to report the passing away of two beloved colleagues who will surely be missed:

- Ernest McCarus (1922-2022), Professor Emeritus of the University of Michigan Department of Middle Eastern Studies. To read the Tribute in Honor of Professor Ernest McCarus, please click [here](#).
- Abderrahmane Zouhir (1968-2022), Associate Professor of Wayne State University MALL Program and Near Eastern Languages. For more information, click on his department's [Facebook page](#).

From the Executive Director

Dear Colleagues:

I hope you are enjoying the Summer, whether you are spending a productive time, conducting research or vacationing somewhere. This is a gentle reminder to renew your membership by clicking [here](#). For International users, please click [here](#). If you have already renewed, thank you! Please encourage your colleagues to join AATA, too. Feel free to share this issue of the AATA Newsletter and the website with them. Read more [here](#) why Arabic language practitioners should become AATA members.

Unlike the previous newsletters, this one is heavily laden with sad news, as we have lost two of our dearest and active AATA members: Ernest McCarus, Professor Emeritus of the University of Michigan Department of Middle Eastern Studies, and Abderrahmane Zouhir, Associate Professor of Wayne State University MALL Program and Near Eastern Languages. They represented a bright light to many. Their presence will be sorely missed. To read more about them, please use the links provided above. May their memories be a blessing!

Please look after yourselves and your loved ones. I look forward to our meetings in conjunction with MESA on December 1 in Denver, Colorado. See you then!

Cordially,
Mohammad T. Alhawary, Ph.D.
Executive Director