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- I am responding to the Call for Papers. If selected, I agree to provide a speaker bio, photo, and paper for the convention proceedings by the published deadline.
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AFA Annual Conference Call for Papers

The AFA would like to invite you to submit a proposal to present a paper at our annual convention. Proposals should be submitted in the form of an abstract, accompanied by a brief biographical sketch identifying the author’s experience with the topic to be presented and other relevant information. Please consider submitting multiple abstracts as you may have the opportunity to give more than one presentation.

Abstracts will be accepted through February 15, 2010. Receipt of abstracts will be acknowledged and applicants will receive timely updates from the Speaker Committee.

If the abstract is accepted, you will be required to sign a speaker’s contract and return the contract promptly. A short bio and a current, high resolution photograph is also required. Speakers will not be officially confirmed without receipt of a signed contract.

Speakers are required to submit a paper to be published in the convention proceedings and in the AFA Watchbird, the official journal of AFA. Final Papers for the proceedings must be received no later than April 15, 2010 to be included in the convention proceedings.

AFA will provide a complimentary convention registration package and one banquet ticket to each confirmed speaker. All other arrangements, including guests, transportation and hotel accommodations are the responsibility of the speaker, or the speaker’s sponsor.

Abstracts are short summaries of the paper you wish to present and should run no more than 250 words in length. Abstracts must include the names of the author(s), mailing address(es), email address(es), and all phone contact information for the author(s). Please include the name of your company, organization, aviary or other affiliations. If there is more than one author, please indicate if one or both will present.

Presentations will be allotted 50 minutes and may include a brief question and answer period. Audiovisual equipment will be made available and will be specified in each contract.

Abstracts, biographies and final papers may be submitted by mail, as an email, or as an MS Word email attachment to the Speaker Chair, or faxed to the AFA office. Please identify it as “AFA 2010 Convention Abstract”. AFA requires exclusive publication rights to accepted papers to be included in the Convention Proceedings and the Watchbird, the official journal of AFA.

Our Mission & Purpose

The mission and purpose of AFA is to promote the advancement of aviculture through educational programs that enable better husbandry, management, and living conditions for exotic birds; to promote avian research and conservation of exotic birds; to keep our members aware of legislative issues that affect aviculture and aviculturists, and to keep legislators aware of the need for fair and equitable regulations.

About the AFA ...

The American Federation of Aviculture (AFA) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit national organization established in 1974, whose purpose is to represent all aspects of aviculture and to educate the public about keeping and breeding birds in captivity.

AFA has a membership consisting of bird breeders, pet bird owners, conservationists, avian veterinarians, pet/bird store owners, bird product manufacturers, show exhibitors, and other avian enthusiasts interested in the future of aviculture.

AFA believes holders of exotic birds need to be aware of the special needs of the species they hold, their conservation status, up-to-date research findings enhancing the well-being of birds, and the state and federal regulations pertaining to exotic birds.

AFA has been identified as the nation’s grass roots organization of bird breeders by the U.S. Congress’s Office of Technology and Assessment. ~