

Live Your Language Alliance
“Returning to our Way”
Conference Call for Papers
March 16 - 17, 2010
Humboldt State University, Arcata, California

Call Deadline: February 12, 2010

The Live Your Language Alliance (LYLA) is pleased to announce the 2nd *Live Your Language Alliance* Conference to be held March 16-17, 2010!

We invite you to submit a proposal to present your work during workshops or sessions at this conference. We are seeking presenters who will greatly benefit and compliment the efforts and important work that language workers, advocates, programs, and tribes are conducting in northern California. Participants from the Tolowa, Karuk, Yurok, Hupa, Tsnungwe, Wailaki, and Wiyot people, as well as others, will be in attendance at this community sponsored Native Languages Conference in Humboldt County, California.

The Mission of the Live Your Language Alliance (LYLA) is to bring together the language people, advocates, programs, and local tribal communities in order to form an alliance that will support language restoration and revitalization efforts. Every effort will be given to support language fluency within our own communities as well as our neighbors' communities.

Conference session information

Our Alliance has a conference committee comprised of Native language workers and advocates. The conference committee will base their session selection on papers and workshops that address the theme of the conference as well as the following topic strands:

Strands include three areas:

- 1) Beginning: Language Learners and Master Speakers
- 2) Intermediate: Language Teachers (community, k-12, college)
- 3) Advanced: Language Specialists (program directors, people documenting languages, curriculum developers, people needing linguistic training)

Within the above strands we encourage sessions that address key topic areas such as:

- Eminence credentialing
- Immersion teaching strategies
- Developing a language revitalization program
- Strengthening tribal language programs
- Advanced steps in language learning and obtaining fluency
- Grassroots language revitalization
- Governmental, educational, or institutional language revitalization
- Successful language revitalization with youth and community
- Technology used in language revitalization

We are especially seeking presentations that inform and educate conference participants on the best practices in language revitalization: not presentations which primarily promote a specific company, product, service, or solution.

The sessions will range in time between 45 and 60 minutes. The committee encourages proposals that allow time for a question-and-answer period, multimedia presentations, digital handout materials (CD, email, online) offered to participants, and post-conference assistance. You may submit more than one session proposal for consideration if you'd like.

Your willingness to participate is greatly appreciated. Conference presenters will receive mileage reimbursement.

Important deadlines

Complete session proposals must be received by **February 12, 2010**. No late submissions will be accepted. Email submissions are highly encouraged!

The committee will contact you on or before *February 19, 2010* to let you know if your session has been included in the conference. All decisions are final.

About the conference site

The conference will be held on the ancestral lands of the Wiyot people at Humboldt State University in Arcata, California.

At this conference we will strive to be a waste-free event and encourage presenters and participants alike to help in this effort to avoid unnecessary waste or paper products. To this end, we encourage presenters to offer digital materials to participants when at all possible. We would be glad to offer the conference website as a place for participants to download materials before or after the conference. Please let us know if you would like to take advantage of this offer.

About the Live Your Language Alliance

Alliance members currently include language workers and advocates from the Tolowa, Karuk, Yurok, Hupa, Tsnungwe, Wailaki, and Wiyot languages. The Alliance was formed by local Native people in order to share ideas and strategies, pool resources, and support one another in our efforts to revitalize our languages and to promote the use of them throughout our communities.

The Commitment of the Live Your Language Alliance is to bring together our communities and neighbors to share, teach, and learn our traditional languages. We are committed to working together to restore and revitalize each Indigenous language by supporting language efforts with cultural and traditional assistance, technical assistance, monetary funding, mentorship opportunities, advisory positions, teaching materials and resource sharing, and other supportive opportunities.

Through this first conference, the Alliance is working to establish a permanent Native Language Institute here on the North Coast.

Please Note: Only complete applications will be reviewed. A complete application shall include (3) forms:

1. Presenter Proposal Form
2. Presenter Profile Form
3. Equipment Request Form

Please mail your session proposal information by February 12, 2010 to:

The Center for Indian Community Development

Humboldt State University

1 Harpst Street

Arcata, CA 95521-8299

Or fax to:

(707) 826-5258

Or send via email to:

lylaconference@yahoo.com

Live Your Language Alliance 2010 Language Conference Session Proposal Form

Session Title		
Session Strand	Beginning: Language Learners & Master Speakers	
	Intermediate: Language Teachers (community, k-12, college)	
	Advanced: Language Specialists (program directors, people documenting languages, curriculum developers, people needing linguistic training)	
Session Topic Area	Developing a language revitalization program	
	Eminence Credentialing	
	Immersion teaching strategies	
	Strengthening tribal language programs	
	Advanced steps in language learning and obtaining fluency	
	Grassroots Revitalization	
	Governmental, educational, or institutional language revitalization	
	Successful language revitalization with youth and community	
	Technology used in language revitalization	
	Other, please describe:	
Session Description		
<i>Instructions:</i> In 100 words or less, please describe your proposed session for the conference program. The information that you provide will be published as submitted. Attach additional pages if more space is needed.		
Presenter	Name	
	Email address	
	Work/Home phone	
	Cell phone	
	Employer/Institution	
	Address	
	City, State, Zip code	
Co-presenter	Name	
	Email address	
	Work/Home phone	
	Cell phone	
	Employer/Institution	
	Address	
	City, State, Zip code	
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Assigned workshop #		
Date of workshop		
Time of workshop		
Room location		
Moderator		

Live Your Language Alliance 2010 Language Conference Presenter Form

Instructions: Please fill out this form completely for each presenter.

Session Title		
Presenter	Presenter's Name	
	Presenter's Title	
	Employer/Institution	
	Tribe or tribal language(s) worked with	
Co-presenter	Co-presenter's Name	
	Co-presenter's Title	
	Employer/Institution	
	Tribe or tribal language(s) worked with	
Biographical Statement		
<p>In 100 words or less, please provide a brief biographical statement for your workshop introduction. Include information such as: language work experience, languages worked with, education, awards or recognitions received, and other relevant information you would like the conference participants to know about you. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages.</p>		
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