

Association of Black Sexologists and Clinicians
2024 SPRING ROUNDTABLE SERIES
“The Art of Finding and Losing Ourselves”
Montego Bay, Jamaica
April 22-23, 2024

EXTENDED CALL FOR PROPOSALS!
Proposal submission deadline is
November 30, 2023

Description of the Spring Roundtable Series

The ninth edition of the Spring Roundtable Series offers practitioners, educators, activists an opportunity to share our work in a setting that invites us to discuss the art of finding and losing ourselves in romantic and sexual relationships. In an attempt to maintain a sense of ourselves with an allowance towards relational liberation, it is sometimes difficult to negotiate our authentic selves with our partner(s). Our relationships and sexuality become an elegant dance with our partner(s) as we try to discern the contexts of what it means to search for who we are with a willingness to be vulnerable and surrender to the unknown. *The art of finding and losing ourselves is question we will ponder and discuss at this year's roundtable series.*

When we met last year in Jamaica for our conference, there was a profound sense of cohesion, tranquility, and unrivaled support that allowed each participant to grow professionally and personally. The presentations were compelling and enabled us to discuss and strategize about complex issues. When we return to Montego Bay, Jamaica, we will explore the possibility and probability of developing solutions to some of the assumptions of intersectionality, issues that affect Black LGBTQAI, gender and reproductive politics, fantasy/desire and kink, media influences, relationship constellations including consensual nonmonogamy and polyamory, sexuality education, relational function/dysfunction, mental health practice, sociocultural factors, and the confluence of race, gender, and sexuality. Proposal submissions should reflect the theme of the conference.

Roundtable Discussion

Presentations will be fifty minutes in length. Round table is a form of academic discussion. Participants agree on a specific topic to discuss and debate. Each person is given equal right to participate, as illustrated by the idea of a circular layout referred to in the term round table. The session should present techniques, strategies, models, methodology and/or research relevant to the field of sexuality, with special consideration to overall conference theme. All workshops should engage participants and focus on sharing new information and/or expanding previous knowledge. Audience participation and engagement are strongly encouraged. Please be mindful that in order to

encourage discussion, you are strongly encouraged to use no more than six to eight slides as a visual support.

Traditional Scholarly Presentation

Presentations will be 50 minutes in length. While Powerpoint slides are encouraged, presenters may use handouts in order to facilitate dialogue for the presentation.

Dialogue Panel Presentation

The 50-minute dialogue panel presentations will be comprised of three or four panelists, who will each present a 10-minute brief about their idea or concept related to the theme. These briefs will be followed by a facilitated dialogue between panelists and the audience to further explore the connections between the ideas presented in the briefs or explore possible outcomes. The goal of the panel presentations is to create a respectful, engaging environment to assess complementary and divergent perspectives.

Proposal submissions should include:

1. Name
2. Mailing address
3. Email address
4. Telephone number
5. Institutional/agency affiliation
6. Biosketch (No more than 100 words)
7. Type of presentation (Roundtable Discussion; Traditional Scholarly Presentation; Dialogue Panel Presentation)
8. Title of Presentation
9. Abstract of Presentation (No more than 150 words)
10. 2 SMART Learning Objectives
11. Resume or CV

**PROPOSALS SHOULD BE SENT AS A WORD DOC TO:
JWADLEY@LINCOLN.EDU and ABSC1041@GMAIL.COM**

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