

# Association of Black Sexologists and Clinicians 2023 International Lecture Series VI

*“The Art of Loving”*

**Cartegena, Colombia**

**October 19-20, 2023**

## **CALL FOR PROPOSALS!**

### **Description of the International Lecture Series (October 19-20, 2023)**

The sixth edition of the International Lecture Series will be in hybrid format produced from Cartegena, Colombia via Zoom. The conference offers sexuality researchers, practitioners, educators, and activists an opportunity to share their work in a setting that will invite them to discuss the implications of how their work impacts selected communities. In other words, we will continue to explore the convergence of race and sexuality (e.g., Black Sexuality) through *the art of loving*. Our creativity, imagination, emancipation, resilience, strength, and need for self-care (e.g., relaxation, peace, tranquility), will reveal itself during our presentations that center our understanding of various dimensions and perspectives about Black loving. Since the host hotel in Cartegena has WI-FI, we will meet online for our conference with in-person fellowship immediately following presentations for those in attendance.

Through our research and clinical best practice, we will share our work on reproductive justice, intimacy, interpretations of pleasure, and relational decision making have been managed and negotiated in Black relationships and sexuality. We seek proposals that reflect the timeless beauty of Black sexual and relational expression; solutions to the challenges of intersectionality; expansion upon issues that affect Black LGBTQAI including the recent negative legislative and political sentiments; gender and reproductive politics; fantasy/desire and kink; media influences; polyamory, consensual nonmonogamy and other relationship constellations; sexuality education; sexual function/dysfunction; mental health practice; sociocultural factors; and the confluence of race, gender, and sexuality. Proposal submissions should reflect the theme of the conference.

### **Traditional Scholarly Presentation**

Presentations will be 50 minutes in length. While Powerpoint slides are encouraged, presenters are encouraged to share no more than ten slides and facilitate a discussion for participants.

### **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 [50 or 25 minutes]; 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**

**Proposal submission deadline is  
June 30, 2023**

**HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS**

**Hotel Las Americas Torre del Mar**

**Anillo Vial, Sector Cielo Mar, Torre 2, Cartagena, Bolivar, 13002**

Hotel accommodations can be made online or by calling the front desk. Single/Double Rooms are available starting at \$177.00 + tax per night (Hotels.com)(subject to change).