AMS/SMT Denver 2023: AMS Call for Committee and Study Group Proposals

Deadline: 11:59 p.m. EDT, 15 March 2023

The eighty-ninth Annual Meeting of the American Musicological Society (AMS) will be held jointly with the Society for Music Theory (SMT) on 9–12 November 2023.

The Annual Meeting promotes the study and teaching of music. It builds community and supports inquiry about music through a range of approaches and presentational modes, including historical musicology, creative practice, ethnography, analysis, performance, musical demonstrations, policy, civic engagement, sound artifact curation, and digital humanities. The 2023 call for proposals and the Program Committee procedures are designed to reflect changes in the society’s scholarly and demographic profile and aim to encourage new modes of sharing ideas.

Guided by the AMS’s Statement on Fair Practice and Representation, the Program Committee seeks to create a positive working, learning, and social environment in which a diverse society may flourish, and in which all conference-goers find a forum for exciting conversations about the music they love.

At the Annual Meeting, the society invites music scholars, teachers, performers and public intellectuals to share work and ideas. A successful proposal articulates the main points of the presentation clearly, positions its contributions in the context of previous work, and suggests its significance for conference attendees. Session organizers are advised to convene panels with diverse and representative participants.

AMS committees and study groups are guaranteed one session at the Annual Meeting. AMS committees and study groups may also request to hold a business meeting at the Annual Meeting.

Application Restrictions

Excluding guaranteed study group and committee sessions, no one may appear on the AMS Annual Meeting program more than twice. However, the alternate years rule has been suspended for the 2023 annual meeting. Thus, those who appeared on the program for the 2022 AMS Annual Meeting are eligible to be included in proposals for the 2023 AMS Annual Meeting.

Submission Procedure

The submission form for proposing committee and study group sessions and business meetings will become available on 1 December 2022. Proposals from committees and study groups must be received by 11:59 p.m. EDT, 15 March 2023. If requesting to hold a business meeting separate from the session, a separate proposal must be submitted.

Proposals are to be submitted electronically on the AMS 2023 annual meeting site. Please note that proposal submission ceases precisely at the deadline. To avoid technical problems with submission please submit at least twenty-four hours before the deadline.

Proposal submitters will be required to state the format of the session (multi-paper panel or single abstract proposal) and must also include full, detailed information on session participants. The form is not a placeholder for a session: it should provide all of the information needed to organize the session.