2020 Innovation in Theory Award Winner

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Thank you to the selection committee chaired by the previous winner (Dr. Robin Nabi) and other committee members - Dr. Shawnika Hull (GWU), Dr. Anne Bartsch (Leipzig), and Dr. Jochen Peter (ASCoR).
Dear MCD members,

I hope this note finds you well in these times of uncertainty, virtuality, and quarantines. These are surely trying times. We are all scrambling to get our on-line lessons done while managing our personal/family lives and trying to keep our research on track. Like any change of routine this is difficult and with the added worry for loved one - it is stressful. All I can say is that if I can help in any way, please feel free to let me know.

I also wanted to let you know that ICA is working hard to make the best of the situation. To let go of what is expendable, and to find ways to stay on course with what is necessary. The final details of the nature of our virtual conference are still being figured out, but it is sure to be an interesting experiment and an innovation. Personally, I will miss seeing many of you in person because as a veteran (old) ICAer seeing old and young friends is a big part of why I travel all around the globe to attend ICA annual conferences. But I am hoping that we can all stay positive and try to do our best to enjoy the virtual conference and move our research, and our field, forward. And think how much better it will be to see each other again in 2021.

I am sure many of you are worried about all kinds of complications arising from the cancellation of the conference. Non-refundable airline tickets, other un-reimbursed expenses, or concerns about accepted but not presented papers counting for promotions, and such. ICA and MCD are doing our best to negotiate some of these issues and help where we can, look forward for upcoming news from ICA. Please let me know if there are issues you think we may have missed or with which we can help. I will do my best as MCD chair to assist any of our members. And also, please consider donating something to the hardship fund set up by ICA if you can. It will help those who need it and will show the solidarity MCD members feel toward each other.

Yours,
Jonathan
1. How Gay Men Discuss Their Bodies Online: A Content Analysis

**Irena Acic**, U of California, Davis, Davis, California, USA

**Hannah Stevens**, Communication Studies, UC Davis, Davis, California, USA

**Xudong Yu**, Communication, University of California, Davis, Davis, California, USA

2. Who Else Likes it? Perceived Gender of Social Endorsers Predicts Gender Equality Support

**Jessica Roden**, Communication and Media, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

**Matea Mustafaj**, Communication and Media, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

3. Impact of Family Communication Patterns on Adolescent/Emerging Adult Sexting Behavior

**Supreet Mann**, Communication, University of California, Davis, Davis, California, USA

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**2020 ICA TOP FACULTY PAPERS**

(TIE FOR THIRD PLACE)

1. Spiral of Silence Pathways Linking Perceived Social Capital and Individual Expression on Social Media

**Elmie Nekmat**, Kookmin U, Seoul, Korea (The Republic Of)

**Magel Ordoñez**, Kookmin U, Seoul, Korea (The Republic Of)

**Ismaharif Ismail**, Psychology, National University of Singapore, Singapore

**Eun Hwa Jung**, Kookmin U, Seoul, Korea (The Republic Of)

2. “Let Me Tell You Our Side of the Story”: Narrative Immersion in a Crisis Communication Media Interview

**David Clementson**, Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, USA

3. Measuring Narrative’s Influence on Moral Intuition Accessibility using a Lexical Decision Task

**Ron Tamborini**, Communication, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

**Joshua Baldwin**, Communication, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

**Sara Grady**, Communication, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

**Henry Goble**, Communication, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

**Melinda Raynae Aley**, Communication, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

**Matthias Hofer**, Department of Communication and Media Research & University Research Priority Program “Dynamics of Healthy Aging”, University of Zurich, Zürich, Switzerland

**Sujay Prabhu**, Communication, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

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3. The Mechanisms of Profanity Diffusion in Online Discussion

**Yunya Song**, Hong Kong Baptist University, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong

**Qinyun Lin**, U Michigan State, East Lansing, Michigan, USA

**Christine Hiu Ying Choy**, Department of Social Sciences, The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, Hong Kong

**Ran Xu**, Department of Allied Health Sciences, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut, USA

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