PRESIDENT-ELECT’S COLUMN
Eun-Ju Lee, President-Elect, Seoul National U

Reviving Authentic Communication

I still vividly remember the first meal I had after arriving in the Bay Area for my graduate study. The person who greeted me at SFO kindly took me to a restaurant, which allegedly served “authentic” Chinese cuisine. I had never been out of the country before, so that was the very first time I tasted Kung Pao Chicken, which I am still in love with. That was also when I first saw the word “authentic” in use (vs. in a GRE workbook).

Fast forwarding 28 years, we seem to be witnessing authenticity crises everywhere. Authenticity has become a significant construct that comprises our scholarly inquiries, whether we study journalism, communication technology, social interaction, or popular culture. It is against this backdrop that I proposed the #ICA23 Conference Theme, "Reclaiming Authenticity in Communication.” Our members responded to the call with much enthusiasm. From the 19 panel session proposals and 44 individual papers submitted, the Theme Co-Chairs accepted six panel sessions and 17 individual papers (programmed into four sessions). Let me share briefly what to expect.

Given the rapid spread of mis/disinformation worldwide, it seems only natural to examine authenticity from global perspectives. Drawing upon examples from half a dozen countries, the “Global Perspectives on the Geopolitics of Authenticity” panel will examine how “a global information disorder” fed by “a rapidly changing media ecology and an increasingly fractious political environment” attenuates trust in institutions, thereby leading to a crisis of authenticity.

Also focusing on news and politics with a global orientation, another panel, “Overcoming Distrust in continued on page 9

PRESIDENT’S COLUMN
Noshir Contractor, President, Northwestern U

As I enter the last quarter of my year-long term as ICA President, I’d like to share an update on one of the major initiatives I have attempted to pursue over the past year: the Global Regionalization of ICA. In my August 2022 newsletter entry, I shared with you my rationale for why the next step in ICA’s long-term commitment to underscore the I(nternational) in ICA, would be to pilot efforts for a sustained global presence for ICA around the world. Over the past three decades, ICA has convened its annual conferences 17 times outside the US, hosted 19 Regional Conferences, and co-sponsored nine affiliate conferences outside the United States. Over the past three years, ICA has hosted more than 10 Regional Hubs that convene concurrently and interactively with the annual conferences. Over the year, I have been working closely with ICA’s leadership and many of our members, especially outside the US, to craft the contours of an ICA global regionalization pilot initiative. My conversations have surfaced the need - and excitement - to set up local, regional, or national chapters of ICA that host and organize events and workshops around the globe throughout the year. Our next steps are guided by addressing three questions.

The first question we must address is: Why does ICA need Chapters? ICA includes more than 6,800 members in 87 countries. But ICA has a far less proportional representation of ICA membership from various global constituencies. Participation at our continued on page 10
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ICA23 Food & Restaurants

Toronto has a wide-ranging collection of restaurants. There are several ways to learn more about Toronto’s culinary scene, like this list from BlogTO, food-based TikToks (Thekeeneater, Aashim), or the Michelin Guide.

When planning on visiting a restaurant in Toronto, please consider the following:

• Toronto restaurants tend to be small – reservations (especially for dinner) are nearly always required. You can often call ahead, use an online reservation system or stop in earlier in the evening while walking around the city to make your reservation.
• While some restaurants make a priority to provide an accessible establishment, many restaurants in Toronto have non-accessible entrances and/or bathrooms that are located in the basement of the restaurant. You can search for accessible establishments in your area using websites like AccessNow.com.

NEIGHBOURHOODS TO EXPLORE

East End
For those willing to take a short ride on the TTC subway or streetcar, the East End provides a variety of choices including the Danforth’s classic Greektown, the up-and-coming Leslieville, and a pocket of delicious Indian restaurants along Gerrard.

(1) Greektown

Greektown on the Danforth is home to dozens of Greek restaurants. Choose from more formal options like Mezes, Soulas, or Christina’s, quick pick-up from Souv Like or casual dining at Kalyvia. Stroll through the area after dinner to pick up a gelator from one of several stands or a decadent pastry from Vlad’s or Douce.
France. Or go for something completely different and try Sinaloa’s Mexican Sushi offerings.

To get to Greektown from Sheraton Centre, Take Line 1 from Queen to Line 2. Exit at Chester or Pape. If you’re willing to venture a bit further, getting off at Greenwood or Coxwell will put you within walking distance of several Ethiopian restaurants. Lalibela near Greenwood or Rendez-vous near Coxwell are both excellent choices.

(2) Leslieville

Hop on the Queen Street car going East and take yourself to Queen Street East, which is fast becoming a foodie destination. The options here are diverse include a neighbourhood classic, Gio Rana’s Really, Really, Really Nice Italian Restaurant (known affectionately as “The Nose”), the upscale La Paella (bring a group!), the farm-to-table Avling, La Barrio for patio margaritas, or grab dinner at Ascari Enoteca and then walk a block down to their wine bar at Mercatino E Vini. These options plus Hello Leslie Jones, Eastside Social, Leslieville Pumps are all nestled among boutiques, art and antique shops, and other bars and breweries.

Gerrard

Although a little trickier to get to from Sheraton Centre, the blocks of Gerrard between Greenwood and Coxwell offer the sights, sounds, and tastes of India. Dozens of Indian restaurants like Lahore Tikka House, Gautama, Bombay Chowpatty, Gerrad Leela Indian food bar are packed into this block alongside Paan shops and Bazaars. Other hidden gems in this block include the Aboriginal Tea N Bannock, and the upscale Lake Inez. Take the 1 to College and head east on the 506 streetcar.

FOODIE RECOMMENDED SPOTS YOU MUST CHECK OUT IN T.O.

(3) The Enchanted Poutinerie
730 Wilson Ave, North York, ON M3K 1E2

Enchanted Poutinerie at Wilson and Dufferin, has some very unconventional takes on the traditional poutine, to say the least. The poutinerie has something like 20 unconventional and extremely creative takes on this Canadian staple. The Unicorn Poutine is an acquired taste, and it is perhaps primarily an Instagrammable poutine, meant to be documented before it is consumed. The multi-coloured cheese curds on top of fries do make quite the statement. So make sure you’ve had a chance to try this magical rainbow cheese curds and rainbow gravy delight!

(4) Roti Mahal
554 Queen St W, Toronto, ON M5V 2B7

If you haven’t ever had a Butter Chicken Roti, you are definitely in for a treat! Take a large flat bread heated on a griddle till it is crisp with a wee bit of a char. Get the roti filled with a butter chicken curry (or you can have it filled with a number of meat or vegetable curries), and you have in your hands one of Toronto’s finest culinary creations, East Indian curry served up with a West Indian flair! This elevated dhalpuri roti is so much more than a satisfying meal-on-the-go wrap bursting with flavour curries and stews. You’ve got to try out one of these uniquely Torontonian takes on the roti to truly get what all the hype is about.

(5) Naan & Kabob
691 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4Y 2B2

Naan & Kabob is a popular halal Afghani restaurant. Afghani cuisine is aromatic and very flavorful! Dishes you will want to check out include ashak, a traditional dumpling dish from Kabul; Bolani, a stuffed vegetarian flatbread; and the star of the show, kebabs, slow-cooked meat on skewers; this place has one of the biggest, most sumptuous kabob platters in the city! They’ve also got vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options, so there’s something for everyone to enjoy!

(6) Dosa Mahal
9 Roncesvalles Ave, Toronto, ON M6R 2K2

If you’re a fan of savory breakfasts or hearty snacks, then you absolutely must try a South Indian dosa! Dosas are thin, crispy crepe-like delights made of fermented rice and lentil batter, and can be filled with a...
GOVERNANCE CORNER

Julie Arnold, Director of Governance & Member Services

Spotlight on ICA Leadership

Leadership at ICA comprises a robust group of ICA members bringing together varied professional methodologies, expertise, unique talents, and diverse cultural influences, from around the globe. With a Board of Directors of forty-seven individuals, five elected leadership roles per thirty-three divisions and interest groups, and a number of standing committees and task forces, our association is truly member driven. We are guided by, and grateful to, those who contribute to the association’s success through service. Periodically, we’ll introduce you to some of ICA’s leaders to give you an insider’s look at who helps propel the ICA mission.

Q. Tell us how long you’ve been an ICA member and which was your first conference?
A. From 2012, when I first visited the ICA conference in Phoenix as a first-year PhD candidate.

Q. What is your academic/research focus and your methodological approach?
A. Mass communication with a specific focus on journalism and infotainment within the contexts of political and corporate communication. To study these phenomena, I mostly use quantitative methods ranging from survey and experiments to content analysis and computational methods.

Q. What is your favorite thing about ICA?
A. The diversity and scale. Although one can easily be overwhelmed by ICA, there are so many things to learn and so many interesting (and friendly) people to meet.

Q. What leadership qualities do you most value and which are your personal strengths?
A. Accessibility: Most important is we are approachable and willing to listen to the ideas/concerns/criticues that our members have. Only in that way can we improve ourselves. Leaders should really be serving the community in that sense rather than only managing it.

Q. What advice would you offer members interested in leadership roles with ICA?
A. Reach out! People are much more willing to engage with others than we are often afraid of. If you don’t ask, you will surely not get it. So, if you want to talk to someone during the conference (or even outside of it), simply drop them a friendly email.

Q. Describe your ICA leadership journey (where did you start, what roles have you held prior to your current role/s).
A. It all started with simply attending the conference, and in particular the (student) pre-conferences where you can meet many new people that are at a similar stage in their careers. By coming back to ICA every year, I’ve gradually built and expanded my network in the association — even though this was not a conscious effort, I simply enjoyed it. In 2018, I was invited to collaborate with the Student and Early Career Advisory Committee (SECAC) to develop a clearer definition for the “early-career” concept in collaboration with Dr. Rico Neumann. To be honest, I don’t really know what has become of our recommendations... Later, I was part of the Mass Comm. Division’s “Kyoung Hur Dissertation Award” Committee and more recently the ICA’s Regional Endeavors, Affiliate Conferences & Hubs Committee (REACH) where we evaluate and advise about the organization of regional ICA conferences. Since the latest ICA in Paris, I took over the Secretary role of the Mass Communication Division from Dr. Meghana Tallapragada. And sooner than I could imagine, I was elected this fall to become the new vice-chair (elect) of this division — meaning that I will do Mass Comm’s conference planning from next year.

Q&A with Mark Boukes
U of Amsterdam, ASCoR
Secretary,
Mass Communication
(Vice Chair Elect for Mass Communication, VC term begins May 2023)

Q. Tell us a little about the charge of your group, what goals are you working towards?
A. My goals are to become more accessible for non-native speakers. I know the difficulties one can come across to integrate in a network as this; not only language-wise, there are also cultural barriers. Especially with a conference coming up in Gold Coast (Australia), it will be necessary to give a warm welcome to scholars of diverse backgrounds. One of the strengths of the Mass Communication division, moreover, is its broad appeal and rich diversity.
MEMBERSHIP SERVICES CORNER
Karly Senesac, Member Services Coordinator

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

ICA membership is a community of scholars from various professional methodologies, with expertise, unique talents, and diverse cultural influences from around the globe. Our ever-growing member base is the backbone of our organization. We are continually grateful to those who participate in the association’s success. In this new column, we will periodically introduce you to some of ICA’s members.

Q. Tell us how long you’ve been an ICA member, why you joined ICA, and which was your first conference?
I have been an ICA member since 2017. I joined ICA because it offers one of the best communities of scholars across the globe and the kindest mentors and collaborators for early career scholars like me. My first conference was ICA 20 which was supposed to happen in Gold Coast, Australia – and I even got my visa! – but it had to be moved online due to COVID-19.

Q. What is your academic/research focus and your methodological approach?
My research focus is children, adolescents, and media, social media and digital cultures, and digital and media literacy. I use qualitative and ethnographic methodological approaches in my work.

Q. How have you benefited from being an ICA member?
Opportunities like conferences, workshops, journal CFPs, job openings are regularly announced; this helps immensely. I have also been involved in organising or speaking at several events at ICA and its different divisions and interest groups. I was also part of the Future of ICA Conferences Task Force chaired by Prof. Jeff Niederdeppe which was a great learning and collaborative experience.

Q. Tell us about your favorite interaction you’ve had within ICA or at the conference?
Oh, there have been so many wonderful interactions I have had online and in-person at ICA! I had the absolutely brilliant opportunity to be mentored by Prof. Dafna Lemish. I attended some insightful panels and sessions involving senior scholars like Profs. Sonia Livingstone, Usha Raman, Mohan Dutta, Claes de Vreese, Jessica Taylor Piotrowski, and so many more. I finally met the rockstar Executive Director, Laura Sawyer, at ICA Paris! I finally got a chance to meet my online friends in Paris: Lara, Hoan, Zoe, Ludmilla, Tom, and others. I connected with the wonderful Prof. Srivi Ramasubramanian and other amazing women over the lunch Srivi ma’am hosted. There’s just too many to list...

Q. What divisions and interest group(s) do you participate in and why did you make that selection?
Given my research interests, it made sense to participate in the Children, Adolescents, and Media (CAM), Communication and Technology (CAT), and Mobile Communication Divisions.

Q. What advice would you offer new members or to those starting in the field?
Starting a new graduate position can be exciting and daunting in equal measures. It helps to seek out communities and networks you can lean on to and feel supported by. Please do not be shy in asking for help; I know it’s easier said than done by personal experience. Try to pack in as much as you like in your student journey because it might not always be possible when you start working.

Q. Which was your favorite ICA conference you’ve attended, and why?
I know you’ve asked me to state my favourite ICA conference but I would like to mention two! :-) ICA 21 was online due to the pandemic, but I do not think I could have made better use of the conference! I presented at, chaired, and organised panels, and I was also part of the team at the Department of Communication, University of Hyderabad led by Prof. Usha Raman that hosted the ICA Hyderabad Regional Hub. We also partnered with Massey University lead

Q&A with Devina Sarwatay
Department of Communication,
U of Hyderabad, India
Final year PhD candidate

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As you near the end of graduate school, you may be thinking of different options for the next step of your career. In this column, I discuss some tips that could be helpful for those who are interested in gaining additional training and research experience through a postdoctoral fellowship.

First off, what is a postdoctoral fellowship? Broadly speaking, a postdoctoral fellowship typically consists of additional years post-PhD that is dedicated toward research under the guidance of a postdoctoral mentor, who is typically a faculty member. In some disciplines, it is very common to do a postdoctoral fellowship after a PhD (versus applying directly to faculty positions upon the completion of a PhD) and can be very lengthy. In recent years, postdoctoral fellowships have become more common in our field of Communication and typically last 1-3 years.

What are some advantages of doing a postdoctoral fellowship? One big benefit is that a majority of postdoctoral fellowships are dedicated almost solely to research. This focus on research makes postdoctoral fellowships unique. Unlike in graduate school, there are no coursework, candidacy exams, or dissertation defenses; unlike a faculty position, there is little to no teaching or time spent on service to the department. As such, a postdoctoral fellowship can be a great way to explore or solidify research directions, learn new methods, and maximize research productivity.

How does one find a postdoctoral fellowship? This process can sometimes feel elusive or confusing. Some opportunities for postdoctoral fellowships can be found via faculty advertising or posting them on society listservs, social media, or on official university job websites – these types of opportunities are usually a result of a recent grant that has been received by the principal investigator (PI). However, there are also opportunities to potentially secure a postdoctoral fellowship even if it has not been advertised by the PI. If you have identified a potential mentor with whom you would like to do a postdoc, one option is to directly work with the mentor to pursue external funding to support your postdoctoral fellowship. The NSF and the NIH both have funding mechanisms that are specifically geared toward supporting postdocs (e.g., SPRF-FR and SPRF-BP from the NSF; NRSA/F31/F32 from the NIH).

An increasing number of postdoctoral fellowship opportunities are also being offered at the university-level with aims to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in academia. Some of these fellowships also offer pathways to being appointed as faculty at the institution (e.g., University of California’s Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship Program, Carolina Postdoctoral Program for Faculty Diversity, UMBC Postdoctoral Fellowship for Faculty Diversity), making these opportunities particularly compelling for individuals interested in a tenure-track position.

One tip to note is that postdoctoral fellowship opportunities tend to have early deadlines, so getting started sooner (for instance, in the summer before your last year of your PhD) would be ideal so that you have time to put together a strong application with your mentor. Good luck!
Calls for Papers

Visit our Resources section for more Call for Papers: http://www.icahdq.org/page/CFP.

Call for Unpublished Data for Systematic Review on Inequality Framing (FAU Erlangen (Germany))

We are currently conducting a systematic review of studies that have examined the effects of framing inequality as advantage (or privilege) versus disadvantage.

In addition to published studies, we are looking for unpublished manuscripts or preprints, dissertations, conference presentations, unpublished raw data, and work in progress that match the following criteria.

- Experimental manipulation of whether inequality is presented as advantage (descriptions of inequality with a focus on advantaged groups, advantaging mechanisms, or privilege) vs. as disadvantage (descriptions of inequality with a focus on disadvantaged groups, disadvantaging mechanisms, discrimination, or oppression)
- Any form of social inequality or inequity
- Any outcomes

If you have any studies or data that may match the above criteria, we would be very grateful if you were willing to share them regardless of the study’s results. Please send any relevant work and any queries that you may have to annette.malapally@fau.de.

Please also let us know how you would like your data to be cited in our resulting manuscript.

If you know of colleagues who are working on studies relevant to our review, we would be grateful if you could forward this call to them.

Another realm wherein authenticity has become particularly contentious is social media. The panel, “Keeping it Real: Contested Meanings of Authenticity on Social Media,” will explore how authenticity is negotiated on social media platforms by discussing “how social media influencers, meme factories, and everyday users define and perform authenticity online.”

For those interested in both conceptual and operational aspects of authenticity, the "Measuring Authenticity, Redefining Disinformation: Mixed-Methods Approach to Disinformation Studies in the Context of Repressive Regimes" panel would be of special relevance, as it aims to present “how interdisciplinary and intersectional perspectives can help grasp new forms of disinformation” by facilitating "a dialogue between quantitative and qualitative approaches."

Calling attention to listening, a relatively understudied element of authentic communication, the panel on "The Meaning, Study, and Practice of Authentic Listening" promises to offer insights concerning various perspectives and practices involving authentic listening in domains such as "Black feminism/journalism, rural engagement via an extension model, interpersonal relationships, and ethnography."

As educators, our members would certainly find the panel, "Genealogies of Truth and Techniques of the Self in Edtech," fascinating. Battles over what we consider "authentic" classroom experiences, such as dialogues and human connections, will be discussed in light of the changes brought in by technology.

Besides these exciting panels, four paper sessions will feature individual papers each tackling authenticity in various domains, as well as those addressing how to stop the spread of inauthentic communication. Last but certainly not least, a special panel comprised of our Theme Co-Chairs, “Looking Authenticity Across the Field,” will offer a bird’s-eye view, as they share their observations of how authenticity has been integrated into the latest communication theories and research. It is with “genuine” excitement that I write this cursory preview of Theme sessions, so please don’t forget to check them out once the conference program is ready!

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the News Media by Reclaiming Authenticity," brings together “solution-based research” presenting data from four different continents to discuss how to build trust and trustworthiness between journalists and news users when the distinction between authentic and fabricated content is ever so blurry.

Click to listen to the newest podcast, Exploring the Vast Social & Creative Agencies of Marginalized Communities in the Digital Age
Host: Scott Campbell
Featuring: Will Marler and Adriana de Souza e Silva

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annual conferences and publications in ICA journals do not equitably reflect these constituents’ need for further decentering communication scholarship. Despite ICA’s triple-tiered dues structure for countries of varying socioeconomic statuses, ICA’s membership remains concentrated in the US and Europe. One of the primary benefits of ICA membership is a lower registration fee for the ICA annual conferences. Many from the Global South, especially those recently initiated into the study of communication, cannot yet submit to the ICA annual conference. Even if their submissions were accepted, given geo-political and economic realities, they would not likely have access to the travel funds or visas necessary to participate in the in-person conference. Very real fiscal and structural barriers must be overcome to decenter communication scholarship further. Chapters are key to reducing these barriers. By creating mechanisms by which global communities, even though they are not full-fledged members of ICA, can have sustained regional engagement with the goals of ICA to advance the scholarly study of communication, we encourage and facilitate excellence in academic research worldwide. ICA chapters can create local and regional communities that organize events and activities, bringing us closer to realizing the vision of One World, One (ICA) Network.

I am currently working with ICA leadership to explore the possibility of considering applications from ICA members in these regions to form local Chapters. If approved, ICA will offer oversight and guidance for the functioning of these Chapters. While members of these potential ICA Chapters will not get the benefits of being a member of ICA as a whole, they have the opportunity to contribute to and benefit from a vibrant local community of communication scholars. In the long term, an international network of ICA Chapters has the potential to be the global venue hosting the community of those interested in pursuing the study of communication anywhere in the world and at any stage in their career - including undergraduates, graduate students, and junior and senior professionals in academia or industry. As such, these Chapters will also serve as a pathway for those who might one day be at a stage where they can avail themselves of the benefits of taking the next step: becoming a full member of ICA.

The second question we must address is: What would ICA Chapters do? ICA Chapters must be flexible and responsive to local and regional demands and needs. Hence each Chapter must have the prerogative to identify a set of aims and objectives they would like to pursue. These goals could include but are not restricted to: (i) host the ICA Regional Hub and other local conferences and disseminate ICA-prepared information about ICA-related activities; (ii) host a distinguished speaker series, including in-person or virtual presentations by relevant scholars, including but not restricted to ICA members; (iii) convene workshops on special topics such as specific theories or methodologies, grant proposals, research design, and publication; (iv) support and mentor specific subsets of membership, including women, LGBTQ+ scholars, and/or other equity-seeking groups that are culturally non-dominant in the chapter’s region; (v) provide professional development guidance to early or mid-career scholars; (vi) provide professional development guidance to those applying for faculty, postdoc, or other research positions; (vii) provide mentoring to those applying to, or pursuing, graduate study in communication; and (vii) increase awareness and nurture networks to mentor undergraduates about a career as a communication professional or communication researcher. These goals could be accomplished by a wide range of activities that include but are not restricted to in-person, virtual, or hybrid workshops, seminars, presentations, social mixers, contests, competitions, awards, social media posts, and periodic newsletters.

The third question we must address is: How would ICA Chapters be formed and sustained? This is an issue that is still under deliberation by the ICA Executive Committee and the Regional Endeavors, Affiliate Conferences & Hubs Committee (REACH), being chaired by former ICA President Terry Flew, which will be charged with the implementation of any pilot initiatives. I am hopeful that we will have made significant progress in learning more about the challenges and opportunities of this initiative by the time we meet at #ICA23. Hence on Sunday, May 28th at 9 am, we convened a “hybrid” panel of global ICA leaders who have been leading the way in piloting this initiative to share their experiences with the larger ICA community. We look forward to your feedback on this initiative prior to, during, and after the ICA panel. As we embark on this high-risk, high-payoff pilot, I invite you to collectively reflect and share your thoughts and suggestions with me in response to the three questions: Why does ICA need Chapters? What would ICA Chapters do? And, How would ICA Chapters be formed and sustained?
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variety of delicious ingredients. paired with a variety of condiments and side dishes. You can dip your dosa in coconut chutney, spicy sambar, or tangy tomato chutney for added depth of flavor. You have got to make your way Dosa Mahal where everything on the menu is made from scratch by hand. They offer a wide variety of delicious South Indian dishes, including dosas, idlis, vadas, and uttapams. Their menu is vegetarian and vegan-friendly, and they have plenty of options for gluten-free diets as well.

(7) Carousel Bakery
93 Front St E, Toronto, ON M5E 1C3

Once you have had a poutine, and a smoked meat sandwich, the next must try item next on your Toronto culinary escapade has got to take you to Carousel Bakery, home of the award-winning "World Famous Peameal Bacon Sandwich." Peameal bacon was invented in Toronto by William Davies in 1854. Davies, a pork processing plant operator, came up with a unique technique of preserving pork, by curing and rolling it in crushed yellow peas. This recipe was necessitated to ensure the bacon survived the voyage back to the UK without going bad. Today’s peameal bacon is actually made of cornmeal! This storied sandwich has also won several awards and has a bit of a cult following endorsed by celebrity chefs like Bobby Flay and Emeril Lagasse.

PLANT BASED AND VEGAN RESTAURANTS

(8) King’s Café
192 Augusta Ave, Toronto, ON M5T 2L6

King’s Cafe, located in Kensington Market, their family style dishes with flavours from around East Asia are packed with flavour. You can enjoy dishes in the style of steamed pork buns, fried chicken wings and wonton soups, all prepared vegan. They also offer a medley of veggie forward dishes with tofu, mushroom, and more.

(9) Fresh Restaurants
47 Front St E, Toronto, ON M5E 1B3

With several locations around Toronto, Fresh Kitchen + Juice Bar, located near St. Lawrence Market is a vegan restaurant that offers "craveable" comfort food made with plant-based ingredients. They specialise in bowls, veggie burgers, tacos, and more.

(10) PLANTA Queen
180 Queen St W, Toronto, ON M5V 3X3

PLANTA is a vegan restaurant that approaches fine-dining with its cuisine, presentation and atmosphere. PLANTA offers a popular mouthwatering veggie burger and fries, though, you can also order more experimental dishes like the watermelon poke, based on the Hawaiian dish, traditionally made with tuna.
However, thereby it also runs the risk of becoming a too abstract label. I hope to more closely define what exactly fits our Division and what not. Third, it would be great, if we could also set up a system with mentor and mentees or even peers for MassCom scholars as some other divisions recently started. Particularly, for a generation of PhD students that started their careers behind screens and in virtual conference, this will be of much added value. Finally, I am increasingly fond of Open-Science. We should all be as open and transparent about our research practices in times where “science” is under scrutiny. And I sincerely believe this will lead to stronger, more robust, and “better” academic work. We should find ways to reward such good research practices in our Division.

Getting to know Mark on a more personal level:

Q. If you could learn any new skill, what would you choose and why?
A. Patience.

Q. If you weren’t going to be in the communication field, what career would you choose and why?
A. Probably Journalism.

Q. What do you consider to be your personal superpower?
A. Perfectionism.

Q. When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time?
A. Before this summer: playing with our son, 4 years old. After this summer, and since our daughter was born: Sleep, definitively sleep!

Q. What’s one thing people are generally surprised to learn about you?
A. That I work less than 40 hours per week. Just try to make maximal use of the time that you are working, and get a rest when you don’t. And probably most important for me: Don’t let yourself be disturbed by phones, social media, washing machines, etc.
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by Prof. Mohan Dutta and hosted a Joint-Regional Hub Event. My panel on Autoethnographies of Care got special love and support from ICA President, Prof. Mary Beth Oliver and the ICA team and we featured it successfully in the theme session of the conference. I was part of the Mobile Communication Social Events team and we had the best time making the online conference even more accessible and fun.

ICA 22 in Paris was special and brilliant because it was my first in-person conference and the opportunity to meet senior scholars as well as colleagues was thrilling! Attending the plenary sessions or other panels of interest, presenting at and chairing sessions in-person and mentoring at the ICA CAM Research Escalator after being mentored by Prof. Nancy Jennings in ICA 20 was coming full circle and that was so satisfying! I also got the chance to set up meetings with professors and colleagues in-between the hectic schedule over drinks or meals and those are some of my most cherished memories. Our Task Force could also finally meet after all the zoom meetings we had!

Q. Which professional accomplishment are you most proud of, and why?
I’m an outgoing PhD Candidate right now; I will submit my doctoral thesis soon, which means I have a long way to go before I feel qualified to answer this question. However, at this stage, I would like to say I am very proud of publishing my pilot co-authored with Prof. Usha Raman in Information, Communication & Society. Shameless plug below :-) —

Everyday negotiations in managing presence: young people and social media in India
Devina Sarwatay & Usha Raman
https://doi.org/10.1080/1369118X.2021.1988129
Information, Communication & Society

Q. Who is your mentor/who inspires you and why?
Prof. Usha Raman! She is my doctoral supervising professor, has been my unwavering intellectual and moral support, and has shown me immense attentiveness, patience, and kindness throughout my tenure as her doctoral student. Moreover, she has invited me to assist and teach in her courses, collaborate on projects, conferences, and publications and – as a result of her mentorship and these opportunities – given me the confidence to venture out as an early career researcher as I leave my student days behind me. In more ways than one, she has been a shining example of what a supervising professor, a senior scholar, and a human being can be and it is both aspirational and hopeful for me on my way into academia and research.

Q. Have you published in an ICA journal? Is there an article or publication you would like to highlight?
I have had the privilege of being part of this fantastic and timely article led by Prof. Mohan Dutta with other senior scholars like Profs. and Drs. Sripri Ramasubramanian, Sudeshna Roy, Cherryl Soriano, Debalina Dutta, Vinod Pavarala, Shiv Ganesh, Uttaran Dutta, Satveer Kaur and others. Here are the details:

Decolonizing Open Science: Southern Interventions
https://doi.org/10.1093/joc/jqab027
Journal of Communication

Getting to know Devina on a more personal level:

Q. When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time?
I love listening to music, playing mobile games, and watching cute puppy and kitten videos. Why do you think I love studying social media and digital cultures! :-)

Q. What is one talent or skill that you wish you had?
I have a terrible memory, so I wish I had an eidetic one!

Q. Are you team #dogsofica (or) #catsofica?
#dogsofica all the way! My brother, Buddy, actually won me an ICA contest and Laura ma’am adored our submission!