

## **Virtual BIOC COMM**

### **Abstract Form**

### **for online presentations**

Presentation title \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Presenter Information**

First name \_\_\_\_\_

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#### **Select your presentation format:**

**Plenary** (approximately 15-40 minutes).

**Infoshare** (approximately 3-7 minutes).

**Show us your Stuff** (approximately 15 minutes).

**Current Trends** (approximately 10 to 20 minutes).

**Workshops** (approximately 30 to 60 minutes).

\_\_\_\_\_ Please estimate the time needed for your presentation

You may send your presentation to the Director of Conferences or choose to share your screen. Use one abstract form for each presentation. If you require additional information about presentations please visit [bca.org](http://bca.org) or contact the director of conferences.

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#### **Instructions to Presenters**

List the presenting author first. Abstracts must be a clear, concise summary of the presentation and kept to under 125 words. Do not include introduction, literature reviews, historical data, references or bibliographies. Author Biography is not to exceed 70 words. Complete this PDF electronic form, save it locally to your hard drive and send the completed form to [conferences@bca.org](mailto:conferences@bca.org).

**Presentation title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstract**

Describe the problem, issue, or technique you propose to present. Include the major points the audience will take away from your presentation and why it should be important to conference attendees. (No more than 125 words.)

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**Supplemental Material**

Handouts and other supplemental material serve to enhance the presentation or workshop and are greatly appreciated by attendees. Will you be providing any supplemental materials? If so, send a link or attachment to conferences@bca.org

**Is this your first time to present at BIOCOMM, either in person at the conference or online?**

Yes          No          Student

**Biographical Sketch**

Describe your area of expertise as it applies to the subject being presented—e.g., current position, educational background, published works or presentations given. (No more than 70 words.)

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**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

# BIOCOMM Speaker Guidelines

A successful BIOCOMM conference or online presentation depends largely on the open sharing of knowledge and demonstration of skills that have been developed while working in the field of biocommunications and stands as the hallmark of the BioCommunications Association, Inc. (BCA).

## Purpose of the Conference

BIOCOMM is the annual international symposium of the BCA for the presentation of a scientific and educational program.

## Audience

Attendees are users and producers of visual communications media in medicine and the life sciences. They may be specialists in photography, computer graphics or motion media, or managers of media departments. Typically, they are employed by hospitals, medical centers, universities, research institutes, pharmaceutical companies, and forensic departments, or they may run their own business. Attendees may be new to the field, or experienced professionals.

## Education

Attendees seek to enhance their professional knowledge and competency through the sharing of both emerging and current technologies and/or processes. The scientific program and workshops of BIOCOMM are expected to meet this need.

## Role of the Speaker

Your presentation should provide the attendee with a learning experience in specialized knowledge and/or skills that are difficult to find elsewhere. Information you present should be timely, relevant, and meet the objectives of the annual meeting. Your knowledge of, and enthusiasm for, your subject should be apparent.

## Attendee/Speaker Interaction

BIOCOMM attendees are an engaged and inquisitive audience and seek every opportunity to interact informally with speakers, as well as with each other. Speakers should make themselves available to answer quick questions or arrange a later time for further discussion.

## Educational Format

### Plenary

Presentations are intended to address the entire group of attendees. Topics should be something of interest for everyone in attendance. Each topic is covered in 15-40 minutes.

### InfoShare

Presentations of general interest on new equipment, materials, or processes. Each topic is

covered in 3-7 minutes.

### Show us Your Stuff

A collection of short presentations that explains how a photograph was acquired. Each topic is covered in 15 minutes.

### Current Trends

A collection of presentations of general or special interest on emerging trends identified within a geographic region, specialty, or software utilization. Each topic is covered in 10 to 20 minutes.

### Workshop

Presentations are intended to be interactive, skill-building classes that may be combined with instructional content. Attendance affords the enrollees with an unparalleled opportunity for gaining direct, practical knowledge and/or experience relevant to the needs of producers and users of visual communications media. Workshops require extensive preparation by the speaker: the instructor should make efforts to ensure that the online experience is as close to an in-person experience as possible. Presenters are facilitators, enabling participants to share questions and ideas with their peers. Sessions are typically held in blocks of 30-60 minutes for online sessions.

### Policies

Speakers are not added to the program at the meeting or online session except by permission of the Director of Conferences or appointed session moderator. Potential presenters must fill out a Call for Participation Abstract form and submit it to the director of conferences. The presentation is construed as a contribution to the profession and the BCA.

All online educational and informational sessions will be held via zoom sessions and will be recorded for inclusion on the BCA website. If you do not want to be recorded please check the appropriate box above the signature line.

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