

Name that Pedagogue

Our board created and hosted a trivia game at the ASTA/SAA 2026 national conference called "Name that Pedagogue." Cybele D'Ambrosio reports: "The game was a TREMENDOUS SUCCESS!!! We had a nice range of people - some students, some locals, other university professors. Lawrence did a great job with the tech - no glitches. James was the perfect MC. Merav's paddles were so colorful and fun. The music I played made people laugh. We went around and had everyone introduce themselves about half way through. We got through most of the questions but not all and it's a good thing because we ended with a 3-WAY TIE!!! so we had to do two more questions for the tie breaker. The grand prize winners got the Dandelion chocolate bars and first dibs on the prize table. Then we invited everyone else to pick up some swag. It couldn't have been more fun"

James Greening-Valenzuela, Cybèle D'Ambrosio, Merav Singer and Lawrence Huang all took charge on the day of the festivities. Joan Balter donated prizes and Wendy Reynolds, treasurer of the CalASTA San Francisco section purchased other prizes paid for by the section. 72 trivia questions, created about all of the string instruments were researched and formulated by board members Jennifer Ellis, Cybèle D'Ambrosio, Merav Singer, James Greening-Valenzuela and Kathleen Balfe.

Thank you all for making it happen and to ASTA nationals for accepting our proposal.