



Seeking Annual Conference Volunteers

The 2023 ITAA conference team is in the final planning stages of what is promising to be an amazing conference. We are seeking help with some important conference details. So if you have some time that you could donate during the conference, please reach out to Kelly Cobb: kcobb@udel.edu. We foresee needing volunteers with AV, presiding, meals, posters and design exhibition-among others. This is a great way to get to know the membership. Thanks so much and see you soon!

Kelly Cobb and Jennifer Yang
2023 ITAA Conference Co-Chairs

President's Message

By Andrew Reilly, ITAA President

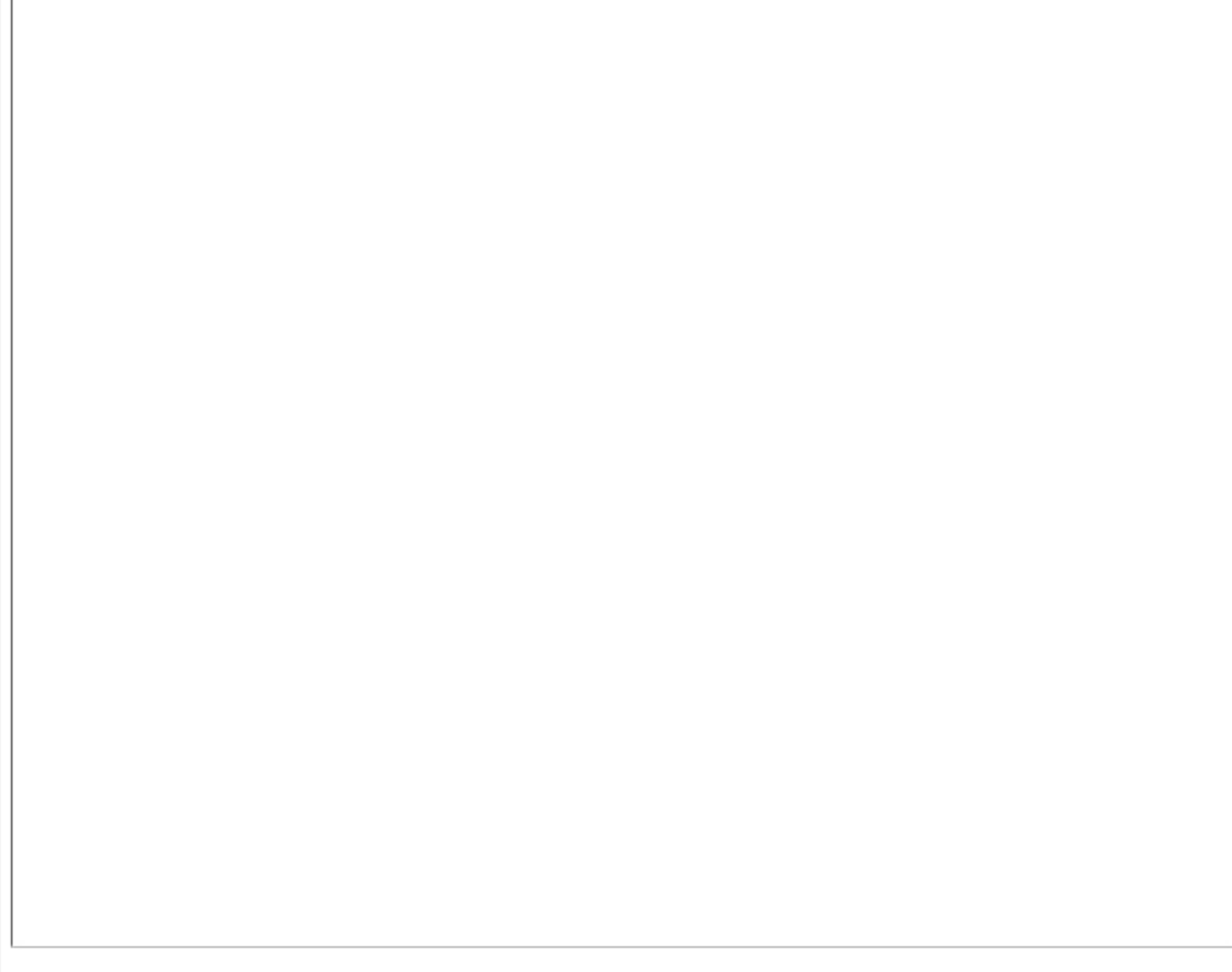
I hope this newsletter finds you enjoying the summer break and getting done all those things we put aside during the school year. In the last newsletter I wrote about opportunities to help advance ITAA's mission by volunteering for new committees. Descriptions of those can be found in the [June Newsletter](#) and if you would like to volunteer, please contact [Eulanda Sanders](#) to join the Graduate Educations Standards Committee or the Building Unity Taskforce, and [Charles Freeman](#) to join the Professional Development Seminars Committee. In this newsletter I turn my attention to another great opportunity - the 2023 conference in Baltimore.

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Industry Outreach

By Lynn Boorady, ITAA Counselor

As part of the new strategic plan, ITAA was represented at the recent Product Innovation Apparel (PI Apparel) conference held in New York City on June 27th and 28th. Future President elect Melanie Carrico and Counselor Lynn Boorady gave a 40-minute presentation on ITAA and the many ways industry collaborates with our members. We invited industry to participate in our future conferences, join ITAA, or to reach out directly to colleges and universities to offer their service on Advisory Boards. We handed out business cards with the ITAA logo and a QR code to encourage checking out our website and learning more about the organization. Numerous examples of collaborations with industry were highlighted including class projects, student internships, faculty research and more. Thank you to the all the ITAA members who sent in their projects to be highlighted at PI Apparel! If you know of a conference, meeting or industry business you would like to hear about ITAA, please let us know. You can email executive_director@itaaonline.org with details.



Melanie Carrico and Lynn Boorady represent ITAA at PI Apparel in New York City

Paris's First Bilingual Design School Impacted by Explosion

On June 21, 2023, an explosion in Paris destroyed the building in which Paris American Academy (PAA) was located. Mr. Peter Carman, the Director of PAA, was seriously injured. Mr. Carman, his family, and the administration of PAA would like to thank everyone for their messages of comfort and support.

Paris American Academy is committed to rebuilding and offering the rich study abroad opportunities in design for which they are known. The City of Paris is making every effort to relocate the school so that it can continue its educational mission. They plan to reopen in January of 2024 for semester classes. The feasibility of Individualized educational programs will be assessed after September 1, 2023. If you are not contacted directly about the program you've been planning, you may contact PAA via their [website](#).

Upcoming 2023 Deadlines

- September 1: [Blanche Payne Scholarship](#) (by invitation)
- September 1: [Institutional Partnership Opportunities](#)
- September 10: [2023 ITAA Annual Conference Early Bird Registration](#)
- October 25: [2023 ITAA Annual Conference Registration](#)



Clothing and Textiles Research Journal Updates

By Sherry Haar, VP of Publications and Youn-Kyung (Lydia) Kim, CTRJ Editor-in-Chief

CTRJ Impact Factor is Up!

The 2022 Impact Factors (IF) have been released and CTRJ has risen back to 1.9 with a five-year IF of 2.1. As a reminder, there was three-year process of transitioning the IF from full volume publication dates to early access electronic dates that impacted IF. The IF produced in 2020 was 1.9 (higher influence), in 2021 it was 0.9 (lower influence), and for 2022 it is 1.9 which represents true improvement. Thank you all for your good work and contribution to CTRJ!

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TAPAC Accreditation Standards - Updated

By Carol Warfield, TAPAC Executive Director

TAPAC Accredited programs include Colorado State, Kansas State, Oklahoma State, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, University of North Texas, Western Michigan University and Virginia Tech. Congratulations to all of them! Several more programs are in various stages of TAPAC Accreditation Application and Review.

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Professional Development Opportunities

Explore opportunities on the ITAA Website in the [Professional Development Center](#). You are welcome to submit information about your academic programs, study tours, and special programs at no cost. Open positions cost \$175 for members to post (\$350 for non-members) and includes distribution of the full announcement to ITAA members. Contact Ping Wei at executive_director@itaaonline.org for more information.

Since the Last Newsletter

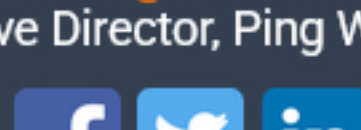
Positions Posted

- **Full-Time Faculty Position in Fashion History, School of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Fashion Institute of Technology**
- **Assistant Curator Textile & Costume Museum & Instructor of Textiles, Apparel Design, and Merchandising (Non-Tenure-Track), Louisiana State University**
- **Department Chair, Fashion Design, Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design**
- **Assistant Professor in Fashion Interaction Design/Digital Fashion, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University**
- **Associate Professor in Fashion Business/Consumer Behaviour/Retailing/E-commerce/Technology Management, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University**
- **Teaching Assistant Professor, Apparel Merchandising and Product Development, University of Arkansas**
- **Open/TBD Rank and Category, Fashion - FIDM, Arizona State University**

Special Calls

- **Call for Manuscripts: Focus Issue of CTRJ - Fashion and Textiles: Engine for a Better Future, Deadline: May 31, 2024**

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