Preliminary Call for Participation
2021 Appalachian Studies Association Conference

AppalachiaFest: From Surviving to Thriving
March 11-14, 2021, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio

The 44th Annual ASA Conference will explore the theme “AppalachiaFest: From Surviving to Thriving” by celebrating the many successes that have renewed the region in more recent times. Special sessions of the conference invite participants to explore progress that has been made in many arenas such as healthcare, the economy, education, and the environment. Those living, studying, and working in Appalachia should ask themselves what more can be done in these areas and how do we engage community partners both inside and outside the region in this mission? How do we include everyone in the goal to make Appalachia a region that is celebrated nationwide? Come and explore these ideas together in Athens, Ohio at “AppalachiaFest” in 2021.

The 2021 Program Committee invites proposals for panels, papers, posters, roundtables, performances, or workshops. Papers and posters should feature original unpublished work in progress. The full call for participation with details for online submission will go out September 3, 2020. Scholarships may be available.

Deadline for proposals is October 5, 2020, with the preliminary program announced by January 2021.

Athens – ASA comes to Athens, Ohio for the first time in its 44 year history to be held on the beautiful campus of Ohio University. Founded in 1804 as the first University in the Northwest Territory, Ohio University has a long history of serving students from both in and outside of the Appalachian region. Enjoy the beautiful hills of Athens with its unique culture, local food and drink options, and many recreational opportunities. Ohio University is situated just a short walk to a variety of uptown restaurants and shops.

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