

American Name Society

Annual Meeting Schedule

21 February 2026

(All times appear in Eastern US / Pacific US Time)

9:15 am / 6:15 am    Opening

9:30 am / 6:30 am    First Session: Names in Discourse and the Transmission of Knowledge

Emilia Aldrin — “Names in contemporary written discourse: sociopragmatic functions in the context of educational resources”

Irina Martynenko — “Place names in the Latin American literary discourse”

10:30 am / 7:30 am    Second Session: Structure and Creativity in Naming Practices

Elsi Kaiser — “On the linguistic structure of paint color names: Kale green, slow green or green sprout?”

F. Nihan Ketrez — “Breed, Language, and Word Formation in the Names of Thoroughbreds in Turkey”

11:30 am / 8:30 am    Break

12:00 pm / 9:00 am    Third Session: Forensic Onomastics

Amira Hanafi Elzohiery — “From Notorious Nicknames to Criminal Archetypes: The Antonomasia of *Al-Khott*, *Al- Tourbini*, and *Al-Mustarih* in Egyptian News Discourse”

Linnea Gustafsson, Per Klang, and Malin Klang — “Names and Anonymizers in the Context of Crime in Online News Texts”

Tereza Klemensová and Michal Místecký — “Onomastics of Extremism: A Collocation Analysis of Selected Names in Anders Breivik’s Manifesto”

1:30 pm / 10:30 am Fourth Session: Names, Authority, and Power

Rik De Busser — “Toponyms and the creation of a Taiwanese Indigenous village”

Cari Didion & Michel Nguessan — “Onomastic Conflicts in Maritime Spaces: “Gulf of Mexico or America?” and Other Naming Battles at Sea”

2:30 pm / 11:30 am Presentation of Awards

3:30 pm / 12:30 am Fifth Session: Diversity in Youth Literature

Edcel Javier Cintron-Gonzalez and Adriana De Persia Colón — “My name is not “Ivy-Liz,” it’s “Iveliz”: Authors’ Naming Practices and Negotiation of Space in Latinx Youth Literature”

Sharon N. Obasi — “The Power of Naming: Identity and Immigration in Youth Literature”

Susan Behrens — “Support, Hope, and Strength Through Naming in Fiction for Young Readers: Young Protagonists Harnessing Names to Survive Powerlessness”

5:00 pm / 2:00 pm Sixth Session: Names, Identity, and Social Meaning

Mary Ann Walter — “One name, two names, red names, blue names”

Charlie Farrington, Sarah Boudreau, Grace Bush, Ethan Peterson, Drake Webb, Chuck Corra, and Abby Walker — “This is how you correctly say Appalachia’: Regional pronunciation differences and metalinguistic awareness across Appalachia”

6:00 pm / 3:00 pm    ANS Executive Council Meeting

7:00 pm / 4:00 pm    Closing