

# International Reminiscence and Life Review Conference 2011

Best Western Roundhouse Suites, 891 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, MA

November 16-18, 2011

## Call for presentations

The University of Wisconsin - Superior will hold the 9th biennial Reminiscence and Life Review Conference November 16-18, 2011, at the Best Western Roundhouse Suites, Boston, MA, USA. The conference draws presenters and participants from around the world, including those most prominent in the field of reminiscence and life review. You are cordially invited to submit a proposal to present at this conference.

### Tentative Schedule

#### Wednesday, November 16, 2011

5:00 PM International Board Reception

#### Thursday, November 17, 2011

Tentative Pre-Conference Sessions 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
(register separately)

9 AM - Noon Reminiscence and Life Review 101:  
Where did it come from and where is it going? Cheryl Svensson, Et al.

Preconference Session - TBD

1 PM - 4 PM Reminiscence and Life Review  
Approaches for Individuals with  
Dementia, John Kunz, Et al.

Preconference Session - TBD

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Conference Registration

6:00 PM - 7:15 PM Conference Opening

Keynote Presentation

7:15 PM - 7:30 PM Break

7:30 PM - 8:00 PM Tribute to Dr. Robert N. Butler

8:00 PM - 8:30 PM Awards Presentations

8:30 PM - 9:15 PM Reception

9:15 PM - 10:00 PM Performance

#### Friday, November 18, 2011

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Robert Butler and Myrna Lewis  
Research Award Presentation

9:15 AM - 10:00 AM Research Poster Presentations

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM Discussant Comments, Q&A

10:30 AM - 10:45 AM Break

10:45 AM - 11:30 AM James and Betty Birren Practice  
Award Presentation

11:30 AM - Noon Practice Poster Presentations

Noon - 12:30 PM Discussant Comments, Q&A

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch with Focused Discussion  
Groups

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM Florence Gray Soltys Student Award  
Presentation

2:15 PM - 2:45 PM Educational and Volunteer  
Applications Poster Presentations

2:45 PM - 3:15 PM Discussant Comments, Q&A

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM Break

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM IIRLR Global Survey and  
Repository  
Barbara Haight

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM Conclusion and Wrap Up

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Open Board Meeting

6:00 PM The GSA Opening

07:00 - 09:00 PM Post Conference Dinner  
(Optional)

### **International Institute for Reminiscence and Life Review Board**

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## Conference Location and Accommodations

All conference activities will be held at the Best Western Roundhouse Suites, 891 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, MA, USA. This unusual round building was built in the 1800's. It was used for many different venues before it was transformed into a top-notch all-suite hotel. The Best Western provides guests with a comfortable setting for business and leisure. Some of the amenities and services include: free shuttle service; fitness center, 24 hour business center; fax & photocopy service and complimentary parking for guests. Also complimentary wireless/high-speed Internet access and a deluxe continental breakfast.

Hotel reservations can be made through the Best Western directly at 877-468-3162. You must specify that you are attending the reminiscence conference in order to receive special rates. Guest rates are \$149/night + tax and are valid 3 days prior and 3 days following the conference. Reservations must be received on or before Monday, October 17, 2011. To view hotel go to: [www.bestwesternboston.com](http://www.bestwesternboston.com).

Our conference hotel rates have also been extended throughout the GSA (Gerontological Society Association) annual meeting. That meeting location is about one mile away and within the range of our hotel complimentary shuttle service.

### Fees:

Presenter or IIRLR Member:  
(before September 1, 2011) .....\$210 US  
Early Registration (before September 1, 2011) \$230 US  
Regular Registration  
(between September 1 & September 30, 2011) \$265 US

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FULL-TIME Student or Fully Retired..... \$180 US  
Pre-conference Workshops (Half Day)..... \$ 80 US  
Pre-conference Workshops (2-1/2 Days) ..... \$150 US

### For more information contact:

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### Continuing Education and Academic Credit

The University of Wisconsin-Superior will award 9.5 contact hours or .95 CEUs to conference participants. Preconference participants will be awarded 3.0 contact hours or .3 CEUs for each session. Participants may also register for one graduate/undergraduate academic credit for an additional fee. CE Certification should qualify for LMFT, Counselors and most Nursing and Social Workers. We will also be applying for CME credits.

We are now accepting nominations for the Robert Butler and Myrna Lewis Exemplar Research award, James and Betty Birren Exemplar Practice award and the Florence Gray Soltys award for a student who has done exemplary work in research and practice in the field. Visit our website for criteria requirements. All nominations should be sent to the following:

Diana Taylor @ [diana.taylor@prodigy.net](mailto:diana.taylor@prodigy.net);  
Robin Mintzer at [rmdavis255@aol.com](mailto:rmdavis255@aol.com) and  
Mary O'Brien Tyrrell at [maryobtyrr@aol.com](mailto:maryobtyrr@aol.com).  
Nominations need to be submitted by April 30, 2011, to be considered.

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# Guidelines for Proposed Poster Sessions

## Exciting New Poster Session Formats

Please consider submitting a proposal to present a poster as part of a plenary session. All poster sessions must be submitted in a MS PowerPoint format. The abstract will be published in English, Japanese and Spanish along with the slides in English in the conference proceedings book.

Each poster presentation that is selected will be presented in a plenary session grouped into the four poster session tracks listed below. Presenters will have approximately five minutes to review their posters. A conference discussant will make selected comments at the conclusion of the presentation in each track. Questions and answers will follow.

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### Poster Session Tracks

#### 1. Research in Reminiscence and Life Review:

Presentations should focus on current research issues or problems. May include studies or research that are still in progress. May also include theoretical aspects of reminiscence and life review.

#### 2. The Practice of Reminiscence and Life Review:

Presentations should focus on methods of practicing and applying reminiscence and life review theory within multiple disciplines. Topics may include reminiscence and life review with creative and performing arts, health care, counseling, psychotherapy and other therapy modalities, grief and pastoral care, life narrative and oral history approaches.

#### 3. Educational Approaches:

Presentations should include the incorporation of reminiscence and life review in educational settings from early childhood to post-doctoral programs, in a variety of study, further developing educational programming focusing on reminiscence and life review, inter-generational programming, and other related topics.

#### 4. Volunteer Approaches:

Presentations should include programs and methods involving volunteers in a variety of settings: working with isolated individuals, with older adults encountering physical and mental health problems, as well as programs designed to promote quality of life. Models for the use of reminiscence and life review techniques by individuals, older adults and their family members will also be included.

Abstract Outline: (Provide the following in English)

1. Title
2. 100 word abstract
3. A 30 word professional biography with contact information to be used in the final program if the paper is accepted.
4. PowerPoint Poster session
5. Poster session track number

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### DEADLINE AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Proposals must include all five sections of the abstract outline (see above) and must be sent via email by May 31, 2011, in order to be included in the final conference brochure. Submit complete copies to BOTH [jkunz@uwsuper.edu](mailto:jkunz@uwsuper.edu) AND [dsislo@uwsuper.edu](mailto:dsislo@uwsuper.edu). Please call 715-394-8170 if unable to access email.

Please note that presenters must pay the special conference fee.

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