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News and Notes From ISAZ



Registration is now open for the ISAZ 2021 Conference!

We're excited to host another virtual conference for the ISAZ community- this one bigger and better than ever! The conference will feature keynote speakers, live symposia, pre-recorded talks, and several exciting workshops.

Registration rates for the virtual conference are as follows:

ISAZ Members: \$75 USD*

ISAZ Student Members: \$35 USD*

General Public: \$125 USD

(*Members, check your emails for your discount codes!)

[Click Here to Register for the Conference](#)

The conference organizers have also been hard at work putting together the program of this year's #ISAZ2021 Virtual Conference. See below for a sneak peek! Each day the live stream of the conference will run from approximately 10AM EDT (2PM UTC) to 6PM EDT (10PM UTC).



Tuesday, June 22

Keynote speaker: Dr. Frans B.M. de Waal. "Mama's last hug: Animal and human emotions"

Symposia:

- COVID-19: Impact of the human-animal bond on human and animal wellbeing
- Can dogs play a role in improving children's learning and socio-emotional wellbeing?
- Big brains in small places: The impact of confined, impoverished environments on large, complex brains

Live streaming sessions:

- Pet adoption and retention
- Multi-species ethnography
- AAI: Methodology and measurement



Wednesday, June 23

Keynote speaker: Dr. Aubrey Fine. "Conceptualizing the field of animal assisted interventions: Reimagining the directions and future of the field"

Symposia:

- University-based AAIs: Theory and research towards identifying direct and indirect effects
- Pets and human suicide: Emerging complexities, contradictions and multiple intersections
- Animal welfare, treatment integrity, and mechanism of change: pressing issues in equine-assisted intervention

Live streaming sessions:

- The burden of caring for pets
- Horse welfare and management
- Pets in the pandemic



Thursday, June 24

Keynote speaker: Dr. Elizabeth Strand. "Veterinary Social Work: The transdisciplinary power of merging, yielding, and staying in lane"

Symposia:

- Research on animals in educational contexts
- More than a pet: "Pet person" as an emerging family person

Live streaming sessions:

- Assistance dogs
- Potpourri

[Visit the Conference Website](#)

New Student Blog Posts

The ISAZ Student Blog, "[Becoming an Anthrozoologist](#)", has two new posts up!

Lelia Bridgeland-Stephens, a Ph.D. student at the University of Birmingham, shares her experiences writing about pangolins in the illegal pet trade in "[Looking Through the Eyes of a Pangolin](#)", published **January 24, 2021**.

Looking Through the Eyes of a Pangolin



Jes Hooper, a Ph.D. student at the University of Exeter, shares her thoughts surrounding her research on civets in "[Musings of an Early Career Anthrozoologist: Becoming With our Study Animals](#)", published **February 23, 2021**.

**Musings of an Early Career
Anthrozoologist: Becoming
With our Study Animals**



Interested in having your work featured on the ISAZ Student Blog?

[Read more about the submission process here!](#)

We welcome 500-1,000 word submissions on issues related to anthrozoology, overview of a recently published study, a synthesis/discussion of recent studies in a particular area, or an essay on experiences conducting research in anthrozoology.

Anthrozoos Moves to an "Online First"
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Journal of the International Society for Anthrozoology

Anthrozoös

**A multidisciplinary journal of the interactions
between people and other animals**

We're excited to announce that papers in our journal *Anthrozoös* are now being published using a new online system, **Online First**, facilitated by our publisher, Taylor & Francis.

What does this mean for authors? When papers are accepted for publication, they can now be more quickly copy-edited, typeset, and published online. This will allow us to more efficiently share new and exciting peer-reviewed research in the field of anthrozoology.

What does this mean for readers? Once enough papers are online, they will be bundled into an issue of the journal and printed according to our usual annual schedule: February, April, June, August, October, December. **Watch out for the hard copy of the journal this year, as it will be sporting our new cover design.**

We hope you like the changes. Happy publishing and reading!

Meet the Anthrozoologist -
Dr. Kristen Jacobson



This month we had the pleasure of chatting with **Dr. Kristen Jacobson**, president of ISAZ and an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Neuroscience at the University of Chicago. Her research focuses on factors contributing to the socioemotional and behavioral development of children and adolescents, including understanding how companion animals influence healthy development among youth.

[Read the full interview](#) to learn more about Dr. Jacobson's career, her research experiences, and her advice for students in anthrozoology.

Funding Opportunities

- The Society for Companion Animal Studies (SCAS) has released a request for proposals for research surrounding pets and housing issues. Proposals are due **April 30, 2021**. [Click here to learn more.](#)
- The WALTHAM™ Foundation is now accepting proposals for grants supporting their mission "A Better World For Pets". Applications are due by **May 1, 2021**. [Click here to learn more.](#)
- The William and Charlotte Parks Foundation has an open call for funding to support projects, research, and other activities calculated to advance the welfare of animals. Applications are due by **May 1, 2021**. [Click here to learn more.](#)
- The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) has several funding opportunities for Human-Animal Interaction research. Submissions are due **November 30, 2021**.
 - R01 [Research Project Grant, PAR-20-031](#)
 - R03 [Small Grant Program, PAR-20-032](#)
 - R21 [Exploratory/Developmental Grant, PAR-20-03](#)

Job and Student Opportunities

- The Institute for Human-Animal Connection (IHAC) at the University of Denver has several open positions:
 - [Research Associate, Therapeutic Human-Animal Interventions](#) - **Due April 30**
 - [Research Associate, Animals and Communities](#) - **Due April 30**
 - [Research Fellowship](#) - **Due April 15**
 - [Research Assistant, Pets for Life as One Health Study](#) - **Due April 15**

- [Animals and Human Health Adjunct Instructor](#) - Open applications
- The University of Arizona's College of Veterinary Medicine and School of Anthropology invite applications for a jointly appointed tenure track position with a focus on Human-Animal Interaction (HAI). [Click here to learn more.](#)
- Working Dogs for Conservation, a nonprofit organization that trains and deploys detection and tracking dogs to save wildlife and wild places around the world, is seeking applications for two [Canine Field Specialists](#) and a [Canine Team Training Coordinator](#) to join their team.

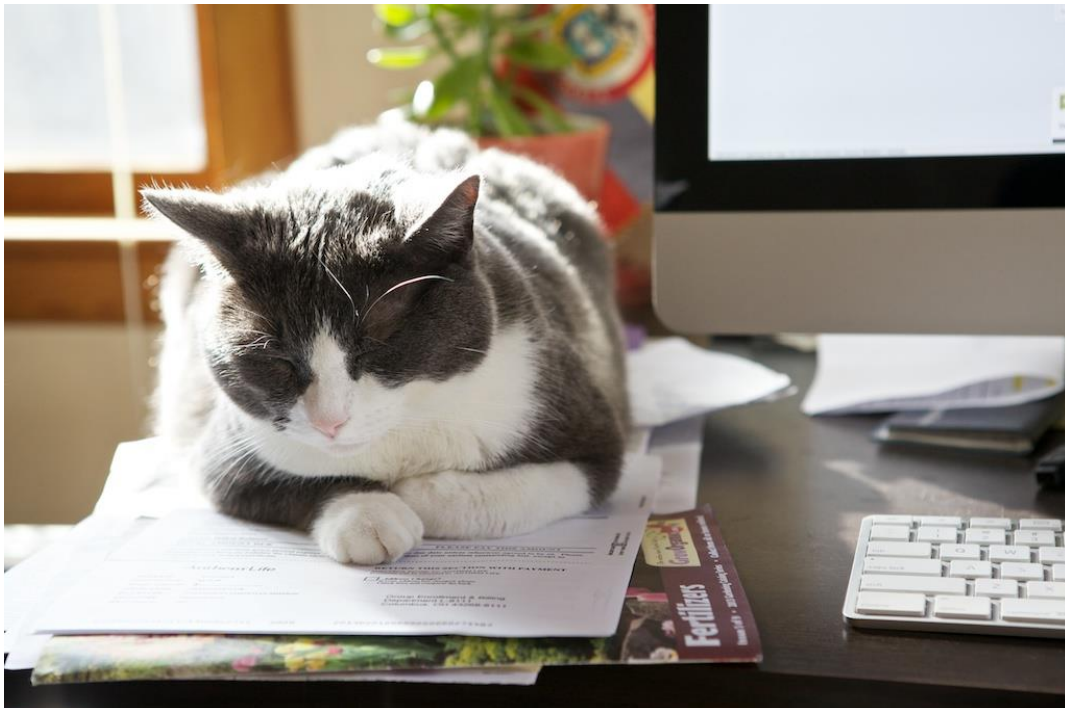
Upcoming Virtual Conferences

- The Association for the Study of Animal Behaviour (ASAB) Easter Meeting
April 14-16, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- Online Dog Behavior Conference
April 16-18, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- American Humane Society Animal Care Expo
April 21-23, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- The Lemonade Conference - An International Gathering of the Best in Dog Sports, Training, and Behavior
May 7-9, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- 2nd International Student Symposium for Animal Behavior and Cognition
May 17-20, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- Postgraduate Animal Studies Symposium (PASS)
May 24-25, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- 15th International Conference on Human-Wildlife Conflicts and Interactions
June 10-11, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)
- Canine Science Forum
July 6-9, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)

- 2021 Veterinary Behavior Symposium
August 6, 2021 - [Conference Website](#)

Want to share opportunities and news in the field of Anthrozoology? Post to the moderated membership listserv by emailing memberlist@isaz.net

Upcoming Special Issues



- "[Exploring Cats: Their Behaviors and Human-Cat Interactions](#)", *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*
Submissions due **June 10, 2021**
- "[The Impact of COVID-19 on Human-Animal Interactions in Families, Communities, and Organizations](#)", *People and Animals: The International*

Journal of Research and Practice (PAIJ)

Submissions due **June 30, 2021**

- ["Social Isolation and the Roles That Animals Play in Supporting the Lives of Humans: Lessons for COVID-19"](#), *Animals*

Submissions due **June 30, 2021**

- ["Human Mental Health: Human–Animal Interaction"](#), *Animals*

Submissions due **June 30, 2021**

- ["New Insights into the Physiological and Ethological Dimensions of Human-Animal Interactions"](#), *Animals*

Submissions due **June 30, 2021**

- ["Human-Animal Interaction in Risk and Resilience in Childhood, Adolescence and Emerging Adulthood"](#), *Behavioral Sciences*

Submissions due **July 15, 2021**

- ["Factors That Influence Problem Behaviour in Companion Animals: Genetic, Developmental, Health, Lifestyle, Environmental, Learning, Temperament, and Human-Animal Interactions"](#), *Animals*

Submissions due **July 30, 2021**

- ["Coping, Stress and Crisis Response within the Field of Human-Animal Interactions"](#), *Animals*

Submissions due **August 31, 2021**

- ["Reimagining Animal Sheltering: Support Services and Community-Driven Sheltering Methods"](#), *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*

Submissions due **August 31, 2021**

- ["Human-Animal Interactions and Issues in Criminal Justice: Toward a Humane Criminology"](#), *Social Sciences*

Submissions due **August 31, 2021**

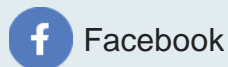
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- Six (6) issues per year of Anthrozoös
- Online access to the full back catalog of Anthrozoös
- Eligibility for membership in the ISAZ listserv
- Access to the Society's annual membership directory
- Substantially reduced registration fees for all ISAZ conferences
- A 30% discount on books published by Routledge

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