

## RTS SPONSORED SESSIONS AT THE 2026 AAG

Dates, times, and venues may change. Please refer to the final AAG Program Schedule for updates!

	Time	Session
TUESDAY, MARCH 17	8:30 AM – 9:50 AM	<a href="#"><u>AI and Big Data in Tourism and Hospitality: social media, spatially distributed data and data mining</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Union Square 23, 4th Floor, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Andrei Kirilenko, University of Florida
		<a href="#"><u>Contemporary Tourism Geographies I</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Continental 3, Ballroom Level, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Jennie Germann Molz
		<a href="#"><u>Parks and Protected Areas: Human-Environment Approaches 1</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 & 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho
	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	<a href="#"><u>AI and Big Data in Tourism and Hospitality: social media, spatially distributed data and data mining 2</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Union Square 23, 4th Floor, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Andrei Kirilenko, University of Florida
		<a href="#"><u>Parks and Protected Areas: Human-Environment Approaches 2</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 & 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho
12:50 PM - 2:10 PM	<a href="#"><u>Contemporary Tourism Geographies III</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Continental 3, Ballroom Level, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Jennie Germann Molz	
	<a href="#"><u>Parks and Protected Areas: Human-Environment Approaches 3</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 & 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho	
2:30 PM – 3:50 PM	<a href="#"><u>Parks and Protected Areas: Human-Environment Approaches 4</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 & 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho, St. Olaf College	
	<a href="#"><u>Sustainable Tourism Geographies I: Sustainable Development in Tourism</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Carmel 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Jarkko Saarinen	
4:10 PM – 5:30 PM	<a href="#"><u>Sustainable Tourism Geographies II</u></a> <b>Room:</b> Carmel 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Jennie Germann Molz	

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18	Time	Session
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18	8:30 AM – 9:50 AM	<p><b><u>Tourism after Capital: Land Speculation and the Post-Capitalist Logic of Dispossession</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Nob Hill 4 &amp; 5, 6th Floor, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Mary Mostafanezhad, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa</p> <p><b><u>Contested Heritage in the Era of Trumpism 2.0 I</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Franciscan A, Ballroom Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Katrina Stack, University of Tennessee</p> <p><b><u>Parks and Protected Areas: GIS/Geospatial Approaches 1</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 &amp; 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho</p>
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	<p><b><u>Contested Heritage in the Era of Trumpism 2.0 II</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Franciscan A, Ballroom Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Katrina Stack, University of Tennessee</p> <p><b><u>Labor Mobilities as Spatial Fix: Tourism Work and the Crisis of Capital</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Nob Hill 4 &amp; 5, 6th Floor, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Mary Mostafanezhad, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa</p> <p><b><u>Parks and Protected Areas: GIS/Geospatial Approaches 2</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 &amp; 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho</p>
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18	12:50 PM - 2:10 PM	<p><b><u>Parks and Protected Areas: GIS/Geospatial Approaches 3 (Paper)</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 &amp; 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho</p>
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18	2:30 PM – 3:50 PM	<p><b><u>Parks and Protected Areas: GIS/Geospatial Approaches 4</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 &amp; 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho, St. Olaf College</p>
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18	4:10 PM – 5:30 PM	<p><b><u>Geographies of Sport and Recreation</u></b>  <b>Room:</b> Nob Hill 6 &amp; 7, 6th Floor, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Jennie Germann Molz, College of the Holy Cross</p>

**TOURISM DAY**  
**Thursday, March 19**

THURSDAY, MARCH 19	Time	Session
	8:30 AM – 9:50 AM	<p><a href="#"><u>Publishing in Tourism Geographies: A Workshop for Graduate Students and Early Career Scholars</u></a>  <b>Room:</b> Golden Gate 3, Lobby Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Mary Mostafanezhad, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa</p>
	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	<p><b>PLENARY: ANDREI KIRILENKO</b>  <a href="#"><u>Plenary Lecture: Andrei Kirilenko   Big Data and GIS in Tourism Geography   Sponsored by the Recreation, Tourism &amp; Sport Specialty Group</u></a>  <b>Room:</b> Golden Gate 3, Lobby Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Mary Mostafanezhad, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa</p> <hr/> <p><a href="#"><u>Between primary residence and recreational territories: The complex geographies of second home tourism</u></a>  <b>Room:</b> Nob Hill 10, 6th Floor, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Amrei Aubrunner, Umeå University</p> <p><a href="#"><u>Parks and Protected Areas: Human-Environment Approaches 5 (Poster)</u></a>  <b>Room:</b> Grand Ballroom A&amp;B, Grand Ballroom Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho</p>
	12:50 PM - 2:10 PM	<p><b>RTS BUSINESS MEETING</b>  <a href="#"><u>Recreation, Tourism and Sport Specialty Group Business Meeting</u></a>  <b>Room:</b> Golden Gate 3, Lobby Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Jennie Germann Molz, College of the Holy Cross</p>
	4:10 PM – 5:30 PM	<p><b>PLENARY: VERNADETTE VICUÑA GONZALEZ</b>  <a href="#"><u>Plenary Lecture: Vernadette Vicuña Gonzalez   Detours as Decolonial Method and Counterarchive   Co-Sponsored by the Political Geography &amp; Recreation, Tourism &amp; Sport Specialty Groups</u></a>  <b>Room:</b> Golden Gate 3, Lobby Level, Hilton Union Square  <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Kate Coddington, University at Albany</p>
	6 PM	<p><b>Social Event and Tribute, <a href="#"><u>Bartlett Hall</u></a></b></p>

FRIDAY, MARCH 20	8:30 AM – 9:50 AM	<b><u>Perceptions, Placemaking, and Community Change 1</u></b> <b>Room:</b> Union Square 24, 4th Floor, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Nicholas Wise, Arizona State University
	10:10 AM - 11:30 AM	<b><u>Protected Areas Specialty Group: Business Meeting</u></b> <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 & 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho
	12:50 PM - 2:10 PM	<b><u>Annual PASG Keynote Lecture: Dr. Jeffrey Jenkins: Changing Geographies of Visitor Use of Protected Areas in California</u></b> <b>Room:</b> Monterey 1 & 2, 3rd Floor, Nikko <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Xochizeltzin Castaneda-Camacho  <b><u>Perceptions, Placemaking, and Community Change 3</u></b> <b>Room:</b> Union Square 24, 4th Floor, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Nicholas Wise, Arizona State University
	2:30 PM - 3:50 PM	<b><u>Perceptions, Placemaking, and Community Change 4</u></b> <b>Room:</b> Union Square 24, 4th Floor, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Nicholas Wise, Arizona State University

SATURDAY, MARCH 21	8:30 AM – 9:50 AM	<b><u>Perceptions, Placemaking, and Community Change 6</u></b> <b>Room:</b> Union Square 24, 4th Floor, Hilton Union Square <b>Primary Organizer:</b> Nicholas Wise, Arizona State University
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