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1. Meet Your CSWA, Patricia Knezek

From: Regina Jorgenson via womeninastronomy.blogspot.com

Patricia Knezek joined NSF in 2013 and served as the Deputy Division Director of Astronomical Sciences, and then as a Senior Advisor in Mathematical & Physical Sciences. She spent time in Advanced Cyberinfrastructure and the Office of Diversity & Inclusion. She is now beginning her third year on assignment to NASA HQ in the Astrophysics Division. Prior to joining the NSF, she had been at NOAO as a staff scientist since 2001.

Read more at

<https://womeninastronomy.blogspot.com/2020/03/meet-your-cswa-patricia-knezek.html>

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2. National Academies report on women in STEM

From: Nancy Morrison [nancyastrol26\_at\_gmail.com]

The National Academies Press has released a new report, Promising Practices for Addressing the Underrepresentation of Women in Science, Engineering, and Medicine. It "reviews and synthesizes existing research on policies, practices, programs, and other interventions for improving the recruitment, retention, and sustained advancement into leadership roles of women in these disciplines. This report makes actionable recommendations to leverage change and drive swift, coordinated improvements to the systems of education, research, and employment in order to improve both the representation and leadership of women."

The report is available as a free PDF by logging in or signing in as a guest at

<https://nationalacademies.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=5dc4a6f3f17fd11adf3be4912&id=449343577d&e=b7b7650ba6>

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3. On This Day in Women's Science History

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride\_at\_gmail.com]

Lady Science Magazine is calling for nominations for women scientists to be featured in the first-ever "On This Day in Women's Science History Calendar."

Nominate your favorite event or scientist at

<https://www.ladyscience.com/otd-in-womens-science-history>

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4. Podcast: How to promote your recently-published paper  
From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride\_at\_gmail.com]

By Adam Levy

"In the third episode of this four-part podcast series about getting published, Jane Hughes describes her role as director of communications and public engagement at The Francis Crick Institute in London.

Researchers can take other steps themselves to get a paper talked about, she tells Levy. "One thing that can make a difference is an image, a video or something alongside the paper that you can share on social media," says Hughes."

Listen to the podcast at

<https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-020-00382-0>

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5. Short Wave Celebrates Black Excellence In Science  
From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride\_at\_gmail.com]

By Emily Vaughn

"To close out Black History Month, we wanted to take a moment to highlight just a few of the many incredible black scientists we've featured so far on the show. Their bios are below, along with links to the episodes they appear in.

"On *Short Wave* we strive to make the diversity of our guests reflect the diversity of our audience. If there's a scientist from an underrepresented group that you know of who's doing awesome science and you think we should feature them in an episode, drop us a line at [shortwave@npr.org](mailto:shortwave@npr.org)."

Read more at

<https://www.npr.org/2020/02/28/810035026/short-wave-celebrates-black-excellence-in-science>

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6. This Is Why There Are So Few Black Physicists And Astronomers (And How To Fix It)

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride\_at\_gmail.com]

This is a very thorough summary of the TEAM UP report by Ethan Siegel at Forbes.

Read the summary at

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/startswithabang/2020/02/28/this-is-why-there-are-so-few-black-physicists-and-astronomers-and-how-to-fix-it/#30b5f4e1280b>

Access the full report at

<https://www.aip.org/sites/default/files/aipcorp/files/teamup-full-report.pdf>

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7. The indomitable Toshiko Mayeda

From: Maria Patterson [maria.t.patterson\_at\_gmail.com]

"Matthew Shindell traces one female scientist's story from an internment camp to

studying the chemistry of the solar system."

Read more at

<https://www.chemistryworld.com/culture/the-indomitable-toshiko-mayeda/4011147.article>

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8. Save the Date: 2020 Action Collaborative Summit on Preventing Sexual Harassment in Higher Education

From: JoEllen McBride [joellen.mcbride\_at\_gmail.com]

"The Public Summit of the National Academies' Action Collaborative on Preventing Sexual Harassment in Higher Education is an open forum for those in the higher education ecosystem to collaboratively identify, discuss, and elevate innovative and effective approaches for addressing and preventing sexual harassment. This annual event brings together a diverse group, including members of the Action Collaborative, the broader higher education community, sexual violence and harassment researchers, sexual harassment response practitioners, grassroots and nonprofit organizations, public and private foundations, and federal and state policy makers." The event will be held October 19-20, 2020 at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Registration and an agenda will be available in Summer 2020 at

[https://sites.nationalacademies.org/sites/sexualharassmentcollaborative/SITES\\_198708](https://sites.nationalacademies.org/sites/sexualharassmentcollaborative/SITES_198708)

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9. Job Opportunities

For those interested in increasing excellence and diversity in their organizations, a list of resources and advice is here:

<https://aas.org/comms/cswa/resources/Diversity>

4-year Senior ASTRO 3D Fellowship at Curtin University node of ASTRO 3D Centre of Excellence, Australia

<http://staff.curtin.edu.au/job-vacancies/?ja-job=106006>

Dean of the School of Science and Technology at Sonoma State University

<http://web.sonoma.edu/jobs/docs/ASI%20Sonoma%20State%20University%20Dean%20of%20Science%20and%20Tech%20ProfileP1.pdf>

Postdoctoral positions, Lunar and Planetary Institute and NASA Johnson Space Center, Houston, TX

[https://usra-openhire.silkroad.com/epostings/index.cfm?fuseaction=app.jobinfo&jobid=1017&source=ONLINE&JobOwner=992390&company\\_id=16640&version=1&byBusinessUnit=11&bycountry=0&bystate=1&byRegion=US\\_US-TX&bylocation=NULL&keywords=&byCat=NULL&proximityCountry=&postalCode=&radiusDistance=&isKilometers=&tosearch=yes&city=](https://usra-openhire.silkroad.com/epostings/index.cfm?fuseaction=app.jobinfo&jobid=1017&source=ONLINE&JobOwner=992390&company_id=16640&version=1&byBusinessUnit=11&bycountry=0&bystate=1&byRegion=US_US-TX&bylocation=NULL&keywords=&byCat=NULL&proximityCountry=&postalCode=&radiusDistance=&isKilometers=&tosearch=yes&city=)

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10. How to Submit to the AASWomen newsletter

To submit an item to the AASWomen newsletter, including replies to topics, send email to [aaswomen\\_at\\_lists.aas.org](mailto:aaswomen_at_lists.aas.org)

All material will be posted unless you tell us otherwise, including your email address.

When submitting a job posting for inclusion in the newsletter, please include a one-line description and a link to the full job posting.

Please remember to replace "\_at\_" in the e-mail address above.

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## 11. How to Subscribe or Unsubscribe to the AASWomen newsletter

Join AAS Women List by email:

Send an email to [aaswomen\\_at\\_lists.aas.org](mailto:aaswomen_at_lists.aas.org). A list moderator will add your email to the list. They will reply to your message to confirm that they have added you.

Join AAS Women List through the online portal:

Go to <https://lists.aas.org/postorius/lists/aaswlist.lists.aas.org> and enter the email address you wish to subscribe in the 'Your email address' field. You will receive an email from 'aaswlist-confirm' that you must reply to. There may be a delay between entering your email and receiving the confirmation message. Check your Spam or Junk mail folders for the message if you have not received it after 2 hours.

To unsubscribe from AAS Women by email:

Send an email to [aaswlist-leave\\_at\\_lists.aas.org](mailto:aaswlist-leave_at_lists.aas.org) from the email address you wish to remove from the list. You will receive an email from 'aaswlist-confirm' that you must reply to which will complete the unsubscribe.

Leave AAS Women or change your membership settings through the online portal:

Go to <https://lists.aas.org/accounts/signup> to create an account with the online portal. After confirming your account you can see the lists you are subscribed to and update your settings.

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## 12. Access to Past Issues

<https://aas.org/comms/cswa/AASWOMEN>

Each annual summary includes an index of topics covered.

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To unsubscribe send an email to [aaswlist-leave@lists.aas.org](mailto:aaswlist-leave@lists.aas.org)