George Floyd’s murder, and the public response, has awoken many to the deeply embedded racism and systemic inequalities in our society. The American Neurological Association is the home of academic neurology, with a mission to advance and support scholarly advances in our field in the realms of clinical innovation, education, transformative research and professional development. Since its inception in 1874, its first 140 years was an embodiment of (white) advantage - an honorific society that largely functioned through networks attainable only to some. The ANA is challenging itself to become a champion of 21st century academic neurology. Given that its past was marred by systemic racism, the ANA is working hard to find new ways to rectify these exclusionary practices. To meet these challenges, ANA is redoubling its efforts around inclusion and diversity. This summer, ANA, with JHU SOM Neurology, is reaching out to its membership and the wider academic community to examine the scope of the problem, solicit feedback, and prepare an actionable path forward that will be unique for our organization, neurology, and neuroscience. We envision remaking our community to respond to the perception that it still carries too many vestiges of its exclusive past, and does not provide a welcoming home for all.

Summer Series Speakers

**Maya R. Cummings, PhD**

Former Chair of the Maryland Democratic Party and widow of Congressman Elijah Cummings. She ran for 2020 Maryland 7th congressional district special election and owns a DC-based consulting firm.

**July 16, 2020**

3:30 PM
Maria Jackson, PhD

Dr. Jackson’s expertise is in comprehensive community revitalization, systems change, arts and culture in communities and dynamics of race and ethnicity. She is currently at Arizona State University. She was affiliated with the College of Public Service and Community Solutions. Prior, she was with Urban Institute in Washington, D.C. for 18 years.

July 23, 2020
3:30 PM

Argye Hillis, MD

Professors of Neurology at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

They will be speaking on racial interaction and enhancing diversity.

John Krakauer, MA, MD

July 30, 2020
3:30 PM

Chris Wilson

“Generational Trauma and Possible Solutions”

Author of The Master Plan, the triumphant memoir of a man who used hard work and a Master Plan to turn a life sentence into a second chance. Growing up in a tough D.C. neighborhood, Chris Wilson was so afraid for his life he wouldn’t leave the house without a gun. One night, defending himself, he killed a man.

August 6, 2020
3:30 PM

Maria Jackson, PhD
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