

## Who were the actors involved in the 1994 meeting of 4S?

- 4S Organizers
  - Sal Restivo
    - 4S President at the time
  - Wesley Shrum
    - long time 4S Secretary
  - Linda Layne
    - 1994 Program Chair (according to Martin article “Anthropology and the Cultural Study of Science”)
    - May have been the first woman to serve as program chair
      - Idea: “STS interrupted” -- Think about how the addition of a female program chair 25 years ago “interrupted” the field. What did it do and make possible?
        - For instance, the 2 program co-chairs this year are both women.
    - Draft email to Linda Layne:

“Dear Dr. Layne,

As you may know, the 2019 4S conference will be held in New Orleans, LA. This coincidentally marks 25 years since the last New Orleans-based 4S conference. As a bit of fun and a bit of history, the 4S 2019 planning committee is planning a flashback to the New Orleans 4S conference that will be played out via social media. Aadita (who is cc'd) and I are two PhD students working together to make that happen.

Our information shows that you were the program chair that year and, based on a paper by Emily Martin, we think you may have also been the first woman to fulfill that role. We would love to hear your thoughts about and memories of the event and/or its planning. If you have any documents from then: a program, printed essays you wouldn't mind sharing (for us to mention, but not link to or publish on the web), or especially photos; would you mind sharing those with us?

Best,  
Yesmar & Aadita”
  - Joan Fujimura
    - May have been on the 4S council at the time
- 4S Attendees
  - Donna Haraway
    - Gave an apparently fabulous paper that, according to Google scholar has been cited at least 9 times, but remains unpublished. Citation here: “Never modern, never been, never ever: Some thoughts about Never-Never Land in science studies.” Unpublished paper, presented at the Annual Meeting, Society for Social Studies of Science, New Orleans, 10-13 October.
  - Emily Martin



How was the meeting *received*?

Practical: How might we go about gathering stories?

Leads:

## Why women say yes to prenatal diagnosis

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**Note:** An earlier version of this paper was presented at the 1994 Annual Meeting of the **Society for the Social Studies of Science**, the **History of Science Society** and the [Philosophy of Science Association](#) in **New Orleans**, Louisiana.

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**Abstract:** Despite considerable concern of bioethicists, disabilities rights activists, feminists and others about the spread of prenatal diagnostic technologies, their routine acceptance in many parts of the world continues at a rapid

Image 1: From the information page of the article: Press, Nancy, and C.H. Browner. "Why Women Say Yes to Prenatal Diagnosis." *Social Science & Medicine* 45 (January 1, 1997): 979–89. doi:10.1016/S0277-9536(97)00011-7.

35. Chair. Panel on Cultural Constructions of Abortion, Contraception, Prenatal and Postnatal Care. *Society for the Social Studies of Science*. New Orleans, LA, 1994.

Image 2: From the CV of Carole Browner, <https://anthro.ucla.edu/faculty/carole-browner>

Question, 12-14 May, 1999, Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN

- "Preservation of Nature and Academic Respectability: Tensions in the Ecological Society of America," History of Science Society Annual Meeting, 14 Oct 1994, New Orleans, LA

Image 3: From the CV of Sara Tjossem

1994 "Do the Social Sciences Belong in 'Science in American Life'?" 19th Annual Meeting, Society for Social Studies of Science (4S), New Orleans, October 15.

Image 4: From the [CV of Thomas Fredrick Gieryn](#)

Thoughts on potential tweets:

1. Possible Hashtags?
  - a. #regenerations
    - i. Since we'll be "regenerating" content & memories from 4S 1994
  - b. #4S1994
  - c. #4SinNOLA
  - d. #flashback
  - e. #
2. Possible Tweets
3. Possible people to tag
  - a. Kim Fortun
  - b. Emily Martin