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TESOL Video Group Formed

At the 1988 TESOL convention, the executive board voted to recognize the TESOL Video Group as an official unit of the international TESOL organization. In the future, this group will have responsibility for up to five refereed presentations at annual TESOL conventions and oversee the convention Video Theater.

Video was very much in the convention picture at TESOL' 88 in Chicago. Over thirty presentations either used video as part of their sessions or were specifically concerned with the production and use of the medium in English language teaching. Additionally, a video hospitality room made possible informal screenings of video materials and frequent small group meetings and discussion among video enthusiasts. A colloquium, "Video in Language Teaching: Is the Medium the Method?" brought users and producers together to provide an overview of the history of ELT video as well as a look at current research and pedagogical approaches.

Membership in the TESOL Video Group is open to TESOL members. Recently launched projects include a data base of existing ELT video materials, and a library of classroom and teacher-training videos. In addition, the group publishes the *Video Newsletter*. For information on how to join, contact: Susan Stempleski, Hunter College IELI, 1025 East Building, 694 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10021.