

## The Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis Presents 2011-2012 YEARLONG SEMINARS

An important aspect of formation within clinical psychoanalysis continues to be the intensive study of single cases which is more amenable for the study of a multiplicity of diverse factors and diagnoses that offers a person the possibility of an individualized or singular, non-standard treatment intervention. The case-study method, as a vehicle for articulating the relationship between theory and practice, remains the primary means of clinical inquiry and transmission in psychoanalysis. To this effect this year **LSP** will offer several seminars that reflect an orientation towards practice.

### East Bay – Year Long

#### CLINICAL SEMINAR OF THE ANALYSTS OF THE SCHOOL

#### A Case Conference focused on the Analysis of a Discourse that might not be a Semblance

This year the seminar of the analysts of the school will be a case conference supplemented by a reading of Lacan's Seminar XVIII "On a Discourse that might not be a Semblance." Case presentations will also feature invited analysts of the school, not currently active within the school, and who will lead the discussion of a case. This seminar points in the direction of the later Lacan's focus on a clinic of *lalangue/jouissance*, the *Sinthome*, and the Real Unconscious. In his seminar Lacan (1971) proposed that the signifier/representation is nothing more than a semblance and he made a distinction between a letter in the Real of *jouissance* and a symbolic signifier. In our seminar we will address the question of the semblant in the transference and in the person of the psychoanalyst. As a function of the love dimension of knowing, the transference to the analyst goes from the subject supposed to know(ing) to a semblance of being (*the objet a*) and eventually to unbeing and emptiness (*desetre*). At the end of analysis, the analyst no longer represents a semblance of knowing or the imaginary face of the *objet a*. The analyst represents the vacuity of the Other that led to both new significations within the subject and the vacuity of the subject cause of his/her *jouissance*.

- Faculty:** Raul Moncayo, Analysts, and Candidates of the School  
**Location:** 2820 Adeline St. Berkeley, Ca.  
**Dates:** Saturdays September 24, Oct 15, Nov 19, Dec 17, Jan 7, Feb 18, March 3, March 31  
**Time:** 1-4.  
**Fee:** \$500.  
**Participation:** The seminar has limited space available to analysts and analytical candidates from other organizations but requires a year commitment. Requests to attend this seminar should be addressed to Dr. Moncayo

[raul.moncayo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:raul.moncayo@sbcglobal.net)

*Approval of CE units is pending*

## CLINICAL LACAN: READING OF SEMINARS I & II

We are continuing our weekly close reading of Lacan's works. This time we will be tackling the first two seminars: Book I - Freud's Papers on Technique 1953-1954, and Book II - The Ego in Freud's Theory and in the Technique of Psychoanalysis 1954-1955. We will read Book I in class, and have Book II as assigned reading. Central in any psychoanalytic training whatsoever is a continuing reading and study of Freud's work. So this class will be an opportunity for participants to read some of Freud's work, not only his Papers on Technique.

We will organize and conduct this class to focus on what we can call the Clinical Lacan; however, this is open for both clinicians and non-clinicians alike. As this is part of what is referred to as the early Lacan, we will have discussions of the late Lacan as well using secondary readings.

Additional references will include: Reading Seminars I and II: Lacan's Return to Freud (Sunny Series in Psychoanalysis and Culture). Bruce Fink's two clinical books: *A Clinical Introduction to Lacanian Psychoanalysis: Theory and Technique* and *Fundamentals of Psychoanalytic Technique: A Lacanian Approach for Practitioners*; and Veronique Voruz's (ed.) *The Later Lacan: An Introduction (Sunny Series in Psychoanalysis and Culture)*.

**Faculty:** Marcelo Estrada, M.A. and Ali Chavoshian, Ph.D  
**Dates:** September 2011 to December 2011, Thursdays at 7 PM  
**Tuition:** \$300  
**Participation:** Open to the public. Interested Individuals should contact Marcelo Estrada ([marcelo.estrada@gmail.com](mailto:marcelo.estrada@gmail.com))

## BION, LACAN, PSYCHOSIS

*'... what most easily and intuitively links the psychoanalytic project of Bion with that of Lacan is Bion's certitude that the true problems of psychoanalysis are those posed by psychosis...'* - P.H. Castel

This seminar will approach the clinic of psychosis supported by its transformations within primary texts of Bion and Lacan. Points of departure include: Bion's writing on schizophrenia and psychosis in *Second Thoughts*; Lacan's Seminars III and V, and selections from the *Ecrits*. Engaging these 'classical' developments of the Freudian *Verwerfung* will orient further explorations of the pioneering contributions of GIFRIC to the treatment of psychosis, and facilitate introduction to current epistemological development concerning the notion of ordinary psychosis, in the wake of Lacan's pluralization of the name-of-the-father in the 1970s.

**Location:** 6470 Vallejo Street, Emeryville  
**Dates:** monthly meetings September 2011 – June 2012  
**Fee:** 300.00  
**Facilitators:** John Stone, Ph.D., Bret Fimiani, Psy.D., Geoffrey Young, M.A.

**For information contact:** J. Stone - 510.812.4224 / [berkeleystone@msn.com](mailto:berkeleystone@msn.com)

## MONTHLY STUDY GROUP

### INTRODUCTION TO LACANIAN THEORY AND PRACTICE

**Faculty:** Roberto Lazcano, Ph.D.  
**Participation:** Limited space available. If interested contact Dr. Lazcano at 510-239-6074

## LSP FILM CARTEL

This year-long cartel is for those who want to study Lacanian psychoanalysis and its relationship to film. This cartel will meet to read/discuss key texts chosen by its members and explore questions about Lacan's major ideas related to identification, subjectivity and alienation, love and knowledge, *sexuation*, modes of *jouissance* to name a few. As part of the school, the group will also select films to view and discuss during the school's film socials.

Proposed readings:

*Jacques Lacan: Seminar on Identification*

*J.A. Miller: Suture*

*Jean-Pierre Oudart: Cinema and Suture*

*Stephen Heath: Notes on Suture*

*Laura Mulvey: Visual Pleasure and Narrative Cinema*

*Joan Copjec: The Orthopsychic Subject: Film Theory and the Reception of Lacan*

*Kaja Silverman: The Acoustic Mirror: The Female Voice in Psychoanalysis and Cinema (Theories of Representation and Difference)*

*Marilyn Strathern: The Gender of the Gift: Problems with Women and Problems with Society in Melanesia (Studies in Melanesian Anthropology)*

**Faculty:** Cynthia Sailers, PsyD  
**Participation:** Space is limited. Interested individuals should contact Cynthia Sailers, PsyD at [csailers@gmail.com](mailto:csailers@gmail.com)

## San Francisco – Year Long

### PSYCHOANALYTIC CASE HISTORIES

In this seminar we will study, review, and critique case histories of Freud and his followers including Abraham, Ferenczi, Reik, Klein, and Lacan. A particular interest will be how Lacan re-articulates Freud's case histories. In addition, we will also study cases from Freud's dissenters including Jung, Adler, Horney, Sullivan, and Rogers and examine the similarities and differences between these approaches and the direction of the treatment according to Freud and Lacan. Fantasy and trauma will be two important aspects of the analysis of the case histories and of the treatment. We will draw from Colette Soler's "The Era of Traumatism," and Lacan's seminar 14 on the Logic of Fantasy.

**Faculty:** Raul Moncayo, Ph.D. and participants  
**Location:** Mission Mental Health (2712 Mission St., SF)  
**Dates:** Beginning September 9, 2011; Fridays  
**Time:** 1-3 PM  
**Fee:** Free  
**Participation:** Requests to attend this seminar should be addressed to Dr Moncayo. ([raul.moncayo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:raul.moncayo@sbcglobal.net) or call 415-401-2707). This seminar functions as a work group so a year-long commitment is required. New comers are welcomed to attend a few sessions before making the commitment.

### FREUD CARTEL

This cartel will meet one Monday evening a month in San Francisco from 6:15-9:15pm, beginning in September and ending in May 2012. Our focus is a close reading of Freud's clinical cases: Anna O., Little Hans, the Rat Man, Dora, Dr. Schreber, etc. Specific dates and the "+1" for the cartel will be arranged prior to September. For more information or to join the cartel, please contact Fernando Castrillon, Psy.D. at [fcastrillon@ciis.edu](mailto:fcastrillon@ciis.edu)

## South Bay – Year Long

### SOUTH BAY DIDACTIC CLINICAL CONSULTATION SEMINAR

#### *On Jouissance...*

*Jouissance* is at the very heart of the experience of the analysand and of psychoanalysis as an ethical practice. The aim of this year's seminar topic is to track the trajectory of the problematic of enjoyment from Freud's early economy through Lacan's elaborations, through a close reading of Beyond the Pleasure Principle, Seminar XX and

supplementary texts by Apollon, Cantin and Soler among others. The vicissitudes of the clinic of *jouissance* will be discussed, focusing on the subject's encounter with and ethical position toward the real of *jouissance*, including the exigencies of masculinity and femininity, subjective structure, drive, symptom and fantasy.

**Faculty:** Jon Bathori, Psy.D. and Participants  
**Location:** 1999 South Bascom Ave, Suite 700, Campbell CA 95008  
**Dates:** Every 1st and 3rd Tue 7:45pm-9:30pm beginning in September 2011 through May 2012  
**Fee:** \$400

**Participation:** Interested individuals should contact Dr. Jon Bathori at [dr.jonbathori@me.com](mailto:dr.jonbathori@me.com) or (650) 323-1225  
*Approval of CE units is pending*

### READING KRISTEVA WITH LACAN

This year-long seminar will offer a close and sustained reading of Lacan's Seminar XI (The Four Fundamental Concepts of Psychoanalysis) alongside Kristeva's 1996 text *The Sense and Non-Sense of Revolt*, in an attempt to create a charged field of questioning, and with an eye to illuminating a range of tensions:

- between classical Freudian diagnostic categories and the recent clinical and theoretical focus on narcissistic pathologies, as well as the emergence of manifestations of distress—apparently opaque, devoid of metaphor and resistant to interpretive insight—which Kristeva has termed “new maladies of the soul”
- between the body and language (affording insight into the marginalization of psychoanalysis in currently dominant modes of Anglophone research and clinical practice, alongside its simultaneous embrace in the Humanities; as well as the so called “crisis of the linguistic turn” in the European Continental context)
- between psychoanalytic praxis and evolving fields of human knowledge, in a society “cleaved between reality shows and archives.”

This seminar will provide an opportunity for anyone (clinician, scholar or student; artist or thinker of any stripe) with an interest in these challenging and richly rewarding works to meet regularly, to read together and to share ideas. All are welcome.

**Faculty:** Benjamin Davidson, Ph.D.  
**Fee:** Free of charge.  
**Date:** To be determined by participants.  
**Location:** Meetings will take place at Vaden Health Center on the Stanford University campus.  
First meeting Wednesday, September 28 5:30—7:30.

For more information, please contact Ben Davidson ([bendavid@stanford.edu](mailto:bendavid@stanford.edu)).

**The Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis Presents**  
**2011-2012 SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Movie Socials:** private screenings, lively discussions and festive nibbles!

Please visit website for information on the more or less quarterly movie social event

**URETHRAL EROTICISM AND THE ANALYST'S ROLE IN THE  
EMERGENCE OF THE FANTASY**

Dany Nobus  
Brunel University, London

Professor Nobus will discuss the case of Ruth Lebovici that Lacan addresses in Seminar IV and the Direction of the Treatment (Journal for Lacanian Studies, volume 2, number 1)

Date: Friday October 28, 2011  
Time: 1-3 PM  
Location: 2712 Mission St, SF  
Fee: Donation

Please call before hand if you are planning to attend (415-401-2707)

**ON THE STATUS OF THE OBJECT IN PHOBIA AND FETISHISM:  
LACAN'S READING OF LITTLE HANS, AND OTHER CASE  
HISTORIES**

Dany Nobus  
Brunel University, London

Date: Saturday October 29, 2011  
Time: 1-4PM  
Location: CIIS, Room 550, 1453 Mission St.  
Fee: \$100, \$40 for students

## **PALIMPSEST**

Palimpsest, from the Greek palimpsestos, “scraped again,” is defined as a written document, usually on vellum or parchment that has been rewritten several times, often with remnants of erased writing still visible. At the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis, the Palimpsest is a written statement submitted by anyone who wishes to become a Candidate. This statement is written based on the prospective Candidate’s personal response to two founding texts. The prospective Candidate is to read the texts and to articulate his or her desire to become a Lacanian Psychoanalyst as well as his or her stance concerning psychoanalysis. During this process the prospective Candidate is invited to engage in creative thought, and is free to alter or recreate the original texts in any conceivable way.

This year Steve Fuller and Brett Fimiani will be presenting their Palimpsest.

Date: Saturday November 5, 2011  
Location: The Uptown, 500 William Street, Oakland CA 94612 - Poker Room  
Time: 1-4 PM  
Fee: Free

The event is open to the public

## **INTRODUCTION TO LACAN: BASIC CONCEPTS**

This annual seminar provides an overview of Lacan's fundamental theoretical concepts and does not presuppose prior familiarity with Lacanian theory. After providing an overview of Lacan's life and seminal influences on his work the instructors will introduce the theory of the signifier to explain Lacan's theory of the unconscious and of desire, and the formation of the subject. A presentation of the registers of the Real, Imaginary, and Symbolic will serve as background for a review of other seminal concepts, such as Lacan's view of narcissism, identification, and the drive, as well as the distinctions between pleasure and jouissance.

### **East Bay**

Faculty: Marcelo Estrada, M.A. and Dora Grisetti, M.A.  
Location: 2305 Ashby Street, Berkeley, CA  
Dates: Saturday & Sunday, December 10-11, 2011; 12 – 3 PM  
Fees: \$80 and \$100 with CE units  
Participation: All welcome!  
*Approval of CE units is pending*

### **South Bay**

Faculty: Jon Bathori, Psy.D. and Steve Fuller, MA  
Location: 467 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto CA

Dates: Saturday, March 24 and Sunday, March 25 1-4 PM  
Fees: \$80 and \$100 with CE units  
Participation: all welcome  
Contact: Jon Bathori @ [\(650\)281-6546](tel:(650)281-6546)  
CEUs pending

**THE PANKEJEF CASE, EPISODIC PSYCHOSIS, THE BORDERLINE,  
AND THE *SINTHOME***

Nestor Braunstein, M.D.  
Mexico City

Date: Friday February 10, 2012  
Time: 1-3 PM  
Location: 2712 Mission St, SF  
Fee: Donation

Please call before hand if you are planning to attend (415-401-2707)

**ON *JOUISSANCE*, TWENTY YEARS LATER**

Nestor Braunstein, M.D.  
Mexico City

In 1990 Dr. Braunstein published a landmark book in Spanish and French on the Lacanian concept of *Jouissance*. In this seminar he will place the clinic of *jouissance* within the context of market economies and examine its relations with the subject of memory and the discipline of neuroscience.

Date: Saturday February 11, 2012  
Time: 1-4 PM  
Fee: \$100, \$40 for students  
Location: To be announced, please visit website for updated information

**GENDER THEORY MEETS LACANIAN PSYCHOANALYSIS**

Claude Noelle Pickman  
*d'Espace Analytique, Paris*

This seminar will provide a Lacanian framework to examine the questions of gender trouble and stable/unstable sexual identities described/theorized by Butler (2005). The seminar will follow Lacan in questioning the logical status of the sexual norm and the exceptions to the norm.

Tentative Date: Saturday April 14 or 21, 2012  
Time: 1-4 PM  
Fee: \$100, \$40 for students  
Location: To be announced, please visit website for updated information

## **FACULTY / PRESENTERS BIOGRAPHY**

### **Jon Bathori, Ph.D.**

Psychologist and Member of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis. He has a private practice in Palo Alto, CA.

### **Néstor Alberto Braunstein, M.D.**

Is a psychiatrist and psychoanalyst who is currently a graduate studies professor, a practicing psychoanalyst and an active writer. He has written widely acclaimed books in Spanish on Lacanian psychoanalytic psychology and psychiatry. In 1980 he co-founded a pioneering institute devoted to the Lacanian clinic (Fundación Mexicana de Psicoanálisis). Braunstein was also the chairman and co-founder of the first officially recognized psychoanalytic teaching institution in Mexico (Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Psicoanalíticos, 1982) where he taught until 2003. Beginning in 1985 he has traveled constantly to different cities of America and Europe imparting seminars on Lacanian psychoanalysis.

### **Ali Chavoshian, Ph.D.**

Faculty of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis, Teaching Faculty at the Wright Institute in Berkeley, Professor at City College of San Francisco and, Visiting Professor at the School of Medicine, Rasht, Iran. He has a private practice in Berkeley, CA.

### **Benjamin Davidson, Ph.D.**

Doctorate in Sociology. He is an Associate Dean at Stanford University, and a research psychoanalyst candidate analyst at the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis

### **Marcelo Estrada, M.A.**

Psychoanalyst, Founding Member and, Faculty of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis. He has a private practice in Berkeley, CA.

### **Bret Fimiani, Psy.D.**

Dr. Fimiani is a member of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis in Berkeley and he is a member of the Freudian School of Quebec (the School of GIFRIC). He is a clinical consultant and supervisor at the Institute on Aging and he is in private practice where he provides psychoanalysis, psychotherapy, and consultation. His research interests include the analytic treatment of psychosis and he is the author of a recent article entitled "Toward a New Ethics Derived from the Psychotic's Specific Knowledge of the Law" forthcoming (*a) the Journal of Culture and the Unconscious*.

### **Steven Fuller, M.A.**

Pre-candidate member of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis. A former business executive who specialized in organizational behavior and development, he earned his masters degree in clinical psychology from the Wright Institute in Berkeley where he is currently a Psyd candidate. He began his study of Lacanian theory in 2007 and currently works as a dual diagnosis counselor in San Francisco.

### **Dora Grisetti-Kohan, M.A.**

Has been practicing Psychotherapy at AIDS Clinic-MNHC in San Francisco; and is a Candidate Psychoanalyst at the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis, 3rd year. She has a background in Biology and Psychology, UBA, Argentina.

### **Roberto Lazcano, Ph.D.**

Candidate Analyst and Faculty of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis. He is a clinical supervisor at the WestCoast Children's Clinic. Together with Raul Moncayo he has co-authored a paper on Lacan and Magritte that appeared in the Fall 2009 issue of The Psychoanalytic Review. Himself an artist, Dr. Lazcano has been interested in the field of Art and Psychoanalysis for many years.

### **Raul Moncayo, Ph.D.**

Psychoanalyst and Faculty of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis; Training Director of Mission Mental Health, San Francisco; Private practice in Berkeley. Dr. Moncayo has published many papers in professional journals and is the author of the upcoming "The Emptiness of Oedipus. Identification and Non-Identification in Lacanian Psychoanalysis."

### **Dany Nobus, Ph.D.**

Psychoanalyst and Professor of Psychology and Psychoanalysis, and Head of the School of Social Sciences at Brunel University, London. He also directs the MA in Psychoanalysis and Contemporary Society. He is the author, most recently, of *Knowing Nothing, Staying Stupid: Elements for a Psychoanalytic Epistemology*, and has contributed numerous papers on the theory, practice and history of psychoanalysis to academic and professional journals.

### **Claude-Noëlle Pickmann**

Psychoanalyst and member of *d'Espace Analytique*, and of the *Fondation Européenne pour la Psychanalyse*. She has published many papers in psychoanalytic journals and edited important works on the Direction of the Treatment with Adolescents and the Lacanian Clinic of Femininity.

### **Cynthia Sailers, Psy.D., M.F.A.**

Psychologist and member of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis. She also received a masters in poetry and combines her interests by leading a study group on poetics and

psychoanalysis, as well as writing about the intersections of perversion, creativity and group psychology. She has a private practice in San Francisco, CA.

**John Stone, Ph.D.**

Psychoanalyst and Faculty of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis. He is also active in international conferences on Wilfred Bion's psychoanalytic work. Dr Stone had a Lacanian analysis and has studied Lacan's work for more than a decade.

**Geoffrey Young**

Member and faculty of the Lacanian School of psychoanalysis. He has translated Lacan's seminars from 1956-59. He holds a Master's of Psychology and is an intern at Mission Mental Health in San Francisco, CA.

## HOW TO REGISTER?

### BY EMAIL

Please send your name, address, email and phone number at [sflacan@gmail.com](mailto:sflacan@gmail.com). Indicate clearly which seminar(s) or event(s) you wish to register for. We will contact you once your registration is received to confirm and coordinate for payment.

### BY PHONE

Please call us at 510-835-6104 and provide your name, address, email and phone number. Indicate clearly which seminar(s) or event(s) you wish to register for. We will contact you once your registration is received to confirm and coordinate for payment.

### BY MAIL

Please print and complete the Registration Form below and mail it to:  
Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis  
1563 Solano Avenue, PMB 237  
Berkeley, CA 94707

#### Registration Form

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## **PAYMENT**

### **Payment by personal check or cash.**

Please refer to each event or seminar to calculate the total cost of your registration.

### **DISCOUNT**

Note that Students with valid ID receive a **20% discount** on all events and seminars!

### **IN PERSON**

Please remit your payment to the organizer or the presenter at the beginning of the seminar and/or event you attend.

### **BY MAIL**

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### **EXCEPTION**

For the APW 2010 conference, registration and payment will be made through APW.  
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### **CONTACT**

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