

THE LACANIAN SCHOOL OF PSYCHOANALYSIS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA PRESENTS

2022-2023 SEMINARS

ONLINE SEMINARS

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Lacan '72/Lacan '22: Lituraterre... or worse ?

Lalangue

Not-All

Half-speech

The A-thing

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Jouis-presence

Jouis-absence...

How does the playful, theoretically and logically rigorous outpouring of Lacan's terms, puns and formulations in the year 1971-72 speak directly to the vicissitudes of psychoanalytic clinical praxis today, fifty years later?

To what fate will we consign the Lacanian *letter*, the Lacanian *literal* or *littoral*, the Lacanian (*litera-*)*terra*, in our era, faced as we are with the recapitulation, intensification and acceleration of the metastatic crises he first identified in the Seventies?

We'll engage this year in a close reading of *Seminar XIX (... or Worse)* alongside 'The Knowledge of the Psychoanalyst,' comprising the lectures he gave that same year at Sainte Anne Hospital (a return after his 1963 'excommunication') as well as his published text *Lituraterre* in an attempt to sketch out, following the work of Néstor Braunstein, the *trans-Oedipal* clinical topos foreseen by Nietzsche and Sade—a *zone beyond good and evil* requiring 'yet another effort' by psychoanalysts on behalf of the *parlêtre* and in service of its *ethical destiny*.

Online and biweekly, Wednesdays 5—7 pm PT beginning September 28, 2022.

Please contact Ben Davidson (benjamdavidson@me.com) for more information.

Winter-Spring 2023 Freud Seminar

Key Freudian texts emerge in Lacan's seminars repeatedly and differently in various contexts. This seminar offers the opportunity to study these texts in some depth.

Chpt 7 of Interpretation of Dreams
Inhibitions, Symptoms and Anxiety
Letter to Fleiss, #53
Beyond the Pleasure Principle
A Child is Being Beaten
The Uncanny
Mourning and Melancholia
Three Essays on the Theory of Sexuality

Location and Time: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays beginning January 11th ending
May 17th 4pm-6pm Pacific time
Fee: \$300
Faculty: Hannah Patricia Bennett, CALMFT
Advanced Candidate
Email: info@hpbanalysis.com

Rereading Seminar X: Anxiety

We will conclude our reading of this seminar begun September 2021. Depending on participants preferences, any time remaining can be devoted to key texts Lacan refers to such as Kierkegaard's *The Concept of Anxiety*, Freud's *Inhibitions, Symptoms and Anxiety*. We will work through details of Lacan's development of the *objet a*.

Location: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 4pm-6pm Pacific time
beginning September 14, 2022 to December 14, 2022
Fee: no cost; donation to the school encouraged
Faculty: Hannah Patricia Bennett, CALMFT
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Psychoanalytic Training in the School of Lacan - Part 4

"The aim of my teaching has been and still is the training of analysts."

"The training of analysts is a subject that is well to the forefront of analytic research. Nevertheless—I have already given you evidence of this—in the analytic literature, its principles are lost sight of. - Jacques Lacan, Seminar XI

What does it take to train as a Lacanian psychoanalyst? Lacan's famous return to the truth of Freud is a major critique of what has gone terribly wrong with Psychoanalysis. Freud's students have deviated from the radical core of Freud's work and regressed to what Lacan had characterized many a time as a return to General Psychology. Lacan's return to Freud is nothing short of a proposal for an analytic training true to the spirit of the Unconscious, and ethics indicated by desire and later by the drive.

At the heart of this training, from one's personal analysis, control analysis, attending seminars, organizing and participating in cartels, teaching, la passe, and being involved in the activities of the School, is the question of whether or not one gets to finally assume the analytic position, the discourse of the analyst, and continuing to be involved in the many aspects of the transmission of the truth of Lacan and Freud.

It has been said, and Lacan said so himself, that most of his seminars, and his writing, are about training analysis.

This project involves not just the usual reading and familiarizing with Lacanian concepts—for example, the Imaginary, Symbolic and Real—but reading these categories to analyze how they guide and inform the training, technique, and practice of analysis. Therefore, we will go through the reading of Lacan's writing and seminars, from the early to the late Lacan.

This year-round seminar is designed to help candidates and precandidates as they traverse their singular journey to becoming Lacanian-Freudian psychoanalysts.

Readings will be announced a month before the start of the seminar.

Faculty: Marcelo Estrada and Ali Chavosian, PhD
Date & time: 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM PST, two Thursdays each month (dates TBA), Sept. 2022 to June 2023; no classes in December 2022.
Location: Online via Zoom
Contact: Marcelo Estrada marcelo.estrada@gmail.com
Fee: [\\$500.00](#) (for Part 4) or School [Tuition](#)

Clinical Case Conference 2022-2023

The school's primary concern is the formation of analysts. In addition to personal analysis and control analysis the clinical case conference is the third main element supporting this work.

Candidates present cases to articulate what is at stake for each analysand, to gauge the effects of the analyst's intervention, and to create and discuss questions arising from the work with the unconscious.

Sections are convened for the year, organized into small groups (overseen by senior analysts and sometimes guest analysts) then dissolved and reorganized with different configurations of candidates and analysts the following year.

Location: Online via Zoom
Fee: \$350.00 or tuition, per Section

Clinical Case Conference Section 1

The clinical case conference provides an essential part of the analyst formation because it relies on the mode of oral transmission via dynamic discussion of particular cases. The stakes are somewhat higher for a Lacanian School, taking into consideration we must not miss - in fact make room for - the impossible, the unsayable and thus face the ultimate emptiness of signification.

Topic: Lacanian diagnosis, what for?
Facilitator: Dr. Cécile Gouffrant McKenna, drcecilemckenna@gmail.com
Dates: The 3rd Saturday of each month, September 2022 to June 2023
From 10 am to 12 pm Pacific Time,
In 2022, 9/17, 10/15 [will be rescheduled due to Pittsburg conference], 11/19, 12/17
In 2023, 1/23, 2/18, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20, 6/17

Open to Candidates of the School. Precandidates who are interested should contact the facilitator.

Clinical Case Conference Section 2

Third Wednesday of the month, starting Wednesday, September 21st, from 5 pm to 7 pm 5-7 Pacific Time.

To contact the responsible: Dr. Jon Bathori at the email dr.jonbathori@icloud.com

The Untreatable

Ever since Freud dreamt—and then wrote, in his *Interpretation of Dreams*—of Irma's injection, psychoanalysis has been propelled by a remainder. The dream marks a turning point in Freud's relation to his own desire: it marks his assumption of his own agency and *savoir* beyond the fall of the Other; and it constitutes an assumption of desire intimately and, we argue, necessarily, linked to what he sees ("*a white patch and turbinal bones with scabs on them*") when he looks down Irma's throat.

In this seminar, we are interested in exploring the "untreatable" and its role in the clinic, as well as links and differences between the concept of the untreatable, developed by Willy Apollon, and what Lacan conceptualized as the object-cause of desire. As Lacan argues in *Seminar XI*, "Analysis is not a matter of discovering in a particular case the differential feature of the theory, and in doing so believe that one is explaining why your daughter is silent—for the point at issue is to *get her to speak*, and this effect proceeds from a type of intervention that has nothing to do with a differential feature." Lacan makes clear here that the work of an analysis is not one of diagnosis, theory and identification, or explanation, but a work of speech.

What makes it possible, then, for any analysand to open her mouth and speak? How do we as clinicians act so as to provoke and sustain speech coming from the unconscious? What does the untreatable have to do with that risk, on the side of the analyst or clinician and on the side of analysand? What does the untreatable have to do with an analysand's assumption of her own agency, *savoir*, and desire? And what are the effects of framing a praxis around the untreatable for the clinics of femininity, perversion, and psychosis, in addition to the clinic of neurosis? We believe that our context involves unprecedented developments of world formation (*mondialisation*), that invite, and even compel, our consideration of such questions.

Possible readings:

Freud, S., "Analysis Terminable and Interminable," "The Economic Problem of Masochism," "Constructions in Analysis," selections from *Interpretations of Dreams*

Lacan, J., selections from *Seminar VIII, Transference; Seminar XI, Four Fundamental Concepts; Television*

Apollon, W., "The Untreatable"

Bergeron, D., "The Symptom"

Cantin, L., "The Untreatable Quest of Desire:

McNulty, T., "Untreatable: The Freudian Act and its Legacy"

Conveners: Shanna Carlson and Richard Reinhardt

When: 3rd Saturday per month, January 2023-May 2023

Location: Online

Contact: Shanna Carlson at shannat99@gmail.com or Richard Reinhardt at rhreinha@umich.edu
Fees: Free

Freud, Lacan & Arenas

Through the lens of Freud, Lacan, and Gerardo Arenas' book *Sobre la Tumba de Freud* (On the Tomb of Freud), this seminar examines the transference, libidinal ties, and the analytic discourse that are consequential in the formation of a psychoanalytic institution.

*An English translation will be available for this seminar.

Faculty: Gerardo Arenas, Ph.D. and María Liza Ahearne, PhDc
Date: Every 1st Friday of the Month (September 2022-May 2023)
Time: 7:00-8:30pm (GMT-3), 3:00-4:30 PM (PS)
Location: Online viz. ZOOM
Fee: \$300.00 or School Tuition
Contact: For more information to join the study group, please contact Ahearne at marializa.sf@gmail.com

Cartel on Topology in the Lacanian Clinic

We seek to study together Lacan's metapsychological turn to topology as a way to reframe and further clarify the logic of the signifier, the speaking subject and the concept of the object a. While our aim is to elucidate the theoretical basis upon which this link between psychoanalysis and mathematics (topology and graph theory) is fashioned, our specific concern is practical and clinical: what does such a mathematical framing of clinical material actually add or bring to analytic technique, and what does it actually enable or not enable us to do or conceptualize? Our exploration of the topology Lacan weaves into his theory promises to yield conceptual clarity, clinical insight, and—who knows—mathematical delight?

(Limited to 4 participants, including faculty listed)

Provisional Reading List

- A. *Seminar 9: Identification 1961-1962*. J. Lacan. Gallagher translation.
- a. Topology
- A. "Seminar on 'The Purloined Letter'," especially the postscript. J. Lacan. (*Écrits*)
- a. Graph theory
- a. Combinatorics
- A. "In You More Than You." J. Lacan. (*Seminar 11*)
- A. *Seminar 19: ... or Worse*. J. Lacan.
- a. Gender, Lacan's theory of "sexuation"

- A. *Seminar 20: On Feminine Sexuality*. J. Lacan.
 - a. Gender, Lacan's theory of "sexuation"
- A. *Psychoanalysis: Topological Perspectives*. Friedman, Tomsic (eds).
 - a. Topology
 - a. Psychoanalysis
- A. *The Shape of Space*. J.R. Weeks
 - a. Topology
- A. *A First Course in Graph Theory*. G. Chartrand and P. Zhang.
 - a. Graph theory
- A. *Topology Illustrated*. P. Saveliev
 - a. Topology
 - a. Graph theory

Faculty: Rico Picone & Jeremy Soh
 Schedule: Monthly, TBD
 Location: Online via Zoom
 Contact: ricopicone@gmail.com

Psychoanalysis and the Political

This seminar proposes to engage immediate political, civilizational, and individual questions and theoretical constructs in such a way as to ask, "What, if anything, can be done to transform society as we know it? We will trace the circuit(s) of drive and jouissance, as revealed in society, taking special note of the status of the Law with the assumption that while drive must find a place in the symbolic, so must jouissance be encountered/delimited. We will orient ourselves around the work of Cornelius Castoriadis as we explore crucial and immediate questions, especially those relating to threats of imminent civilizational and biospheric collapse.

What constitutes democracy? Is humanity capable of it?

Can the *act of the analyst* be deployed outside the clinic, in the political realm? What is it in the analyst that comes at the end of analysis? What is that way of being/experiencing, of knowing, of being with, that allows the analyst his *act*? What Lacanian names is it known by? Does something akin to it exist in registers other than, or come into the world through experiences other than, that of (Lacanian) analysis?

Requirements: some desire to work on this with a few others. And a commitment to closely read selected papers in Cornelius Castoriadis's (1997) *World in Fragments: Writings on Politics, Society, Psychoanalysis and the Imagination*.

Required readings from:

- Cornelius Castoriadis (1997), Ed. and Trans., David Ames Curtis. *World in Fragments: Writings on Politics, Society, Psychoanalysis and the Imagination*. Stanford, California: Stanford University Press.

Recommended, elective readings:

- Bruno Latour (2018) *Down to Earth: Politics in the New Climatic Regime*. Cambridge, UK: Polity Press.
- Ian Parker and David Pavón-Cuéllar (2021). *Psychoanalysis and Revolution: Critical Psychology for Liberation Movements*. London: 1968 Press.
- George Jackson. Foreword by Jonathan Jackson, Jr. *Soledad Brother: The Prison Letters of George Jackson*. Chicago: Lawrence Hill Books.
- Slavoj Žižek (2008). *Interrogating the Real*. London; New York: Continuum.
- Felix Guattari (1989). *The Three Ecologies*. London; New York: Bloomsbury Academic.

Faculty: Joseph Scalia III, Psy.D

Date & Time: Meeting Times September 2022 to mid-May 2023: Every other Friday, starting September 16, 2022 at 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Pacific Time.

Location:

Fee:

Contact: Joseph Scalia III at scaliain@gmail.com

The Clinic of the Dream

In this seminar participants will present clinical sessions that include dreams. Following Freud and Lacan, we will consider the dream as a rupture of the unconscious from an Other scene, not as a narrative with a hidden meaning. The seminar will consider the field of the Other and the place of the analyst in guiding the analysand to hear the rupture of a dream and its signifiers through the fundamental rule of free association.

We invite participants to bring something close to verbatim sessions that include dreams and dream fragments. What rupture may have constructed the dream? What signifiers already present in the analysis did it evoke or elaborate? If there is a navel in the dream, what is the navel? If the dream is a nightmare, where was it interrupted? Is there a second navel created around the associations? What drives of the body may have been mobilized?

The case we are exploring here is not a case study of the patient, but the case of the analyst-in training working under constraints of the Lacanian clinic and transference. We will ask presenters to speak about each time the analyst speaks or remains silent, and to explain these interventions in the unfolding

dream work. We will also ask for the subsequent session, including any new dream, so that we can learn something of the effects of the interventions.

Respecting the limits of language and the unknown unsayable that comes with dreams, we will listen to the presenter in the place of the analyst speaking to the logic that is at work in her or his interventions. The aim of the seminar is to develop a condensed 10-minute writing that highlights the dream logic.

As a condition of joining the seminar, everyone will sign a confidentiality agreement. Limited to 8 participants presenting, but others may join to learn about the clinic of the dream.

We ask seminar participants to read or re-read the following foundational texts prior to our first meeting. Additional readings may be added during the year.

Freud, S. (1915-16). The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud, Volume XV: Introductory Lectures on Psycho-Analysis (Part II).

Freud, S. (1933). New Introductory Lectures On Psycho-Analysis. The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud, Volume XXII (1932-1936): New Introductory Lectures on Psycho-Analysis and Other Works, Lecture XXIX Revision of the Theory of Dreams (pages 6-29).

Faculty: Diana Cuello, PhD, Analyst of the School, and Annie Rogers, PhD, Analyst of the School

Dates & Time: Monthly, September to April, 1st Fridays, 9-11am Pacific Standard time

Where: On Zoom, by invitation

Contacts: Diana Cuello at dianacuellophd@gmail.com Annie Rogers at anniegrogers@gmail.com

Fees: \$500.00 or School Tuition

The Logic of Fantasy in the Direction Of the Treatment and the Analytic Act

This seminar approaches the question of the direction of the treatment in the psychoanalytic experience in terms of four logical moments of fantasy. In turn, the seminar is oriented by the question of the act, and especially the analyst's act within the frame of the analytic experience.

Just as Lacan's work leads us to work on the question of the direction of the treatment in the analytic experience, it in turn leads us to work on what Lacan

refers to as the “principle of its power.” The seminar will consider the unique ways in which the analytic act takes a position in relation to this “power” mobilized in the address. The analytic act concerns a position oriented by analytic ethics, and the desire-to-know-of-the-analyst in the place of knowledge. This address welcomes a new and singular savoir (S2) that is on the side of the analysand insofar as the analysand is its subject (\$).

What is the nature of such an “act,” and what is its relationship to the clinical experience of construction as regards the object of the fundamental fantasy and the creation of a new apparatus of jouissance in the form of sinthome? The seminar will orient these questions by reading and working from Lacan’s Seminars XIV, *The Logic of Fantasy* and Seminar XV, *The Analytic Act*.

Readings:

Freud, S. “A Child is Being Beaten.” (1918) Volume XVII, The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud
Freud, S. “From the History of an Infantile Neurosis.” Volume XVII, The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud
Freud, S. “Remembering, Repeating, and Working Through.” (1914) Volume XII, The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud
Lacan, J. *Seminar XIV, The Logic of Fantasy*
Lacan, J. *Seminar, Seminar XV, The Analytic Act*
Lacan, J. The Direction of the Treatment and the Principle of its Power. In Jacques Lacan, *Ecrits*

Faculty: Christopher Meyer, PhD, Analyst of the School
When: September 2022-June, 2023
Dates: First Meeting, September 24, 2022
Day and Time: 4th Saturday of each month 10am-12:30pm, no December meeting
Location: Online, possibly hybrid, location TBD
Contact: Christopher Meyer, PhD [\(323\) 930-9662](tel:3239309662), cmeyerwoeswar@gmail.com
Fees: \$60.00 per class/students \$40.00, or LSP tuition.

Dream, Symptom, Fantasy: a Clinical Cases Seminar in the
Aftermath of

Lacan's Return to Freud

What is a case presentation? How does it differ from the presentation of a session? What is a note, taken in or after a session? What is it to speak to a Control or Supervising analyst about what was said, and what happened in a session? What is it to present the speech of the analysand session by session, and to take responsibility for one's act as an analyst in each session insofar as the analytic act of the Candidate-Analyst or Analyst welcomes the response of the unconscious within the constraints of the transference? What is the effect of the analytic act, and how do we create and sustain the session as a space and time for the work of the unconscious? These questions will inform our work in seminar on the question of the psychoanalytic clinic in the aftermath of Lacan's return to Freud.

As we work on ongoing clinical cases presented by the participants, the seminar will refer to the following readings: Chapter VII, "The Psychology of the Dream Processes" from Sigmund Freud's *Interpretation of Dreams*, "Notes upon a Case of Obsessional Neurosis," and the "Original Record of the Case, and Lacan's essay "The Direction of the Treatment and the Principle of its Power," and Willy Apollon's "What's At Stake in the Freudian Clinic" as we work on ongoing clinical cases.

The logic and experience of this seminar proposes and assumes a methodology and a praxis: our reading of Freud focuses on the ways in which Lacan's writing in the *Écrits* transmits a savoir that orients clinical practice insofar as it welcomes the dream, symptom and unconscious formations as they break through and from a censored unconscious. In addition, we will consider how advances made by recent approaches to working with dreams in the clinic of psychosis, addiction, and other disorders and discontents of the speaking being shifts our understanding and conceptualization of the transference as regards a real at work within the body and psyche of the subject in contemporary clinical practice.

Readings:

Apollon, "What's At Stake in the Freudian Clinic," Newsletter of the Freudian Field, Volume 2, No. 1. (PDF, online)

Freud, S. "Creative Writers and Day Dreaming"

Freud, S. *The Interpretations of Dreams*, Volume V, The Standard Edition of

the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud

Freud, S. "Notes upon a Case of Obsessional Neurosis," Volume X, The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud, (1909).

Freud, S. "The Original Record of the Case," Volume X, The Standard Edition of the Complete Psychological Works of Sigmund Freud.

Lacan, Jacques. "The Direction of the Treatment and the Principle of its Power," *Écrits*.

(2006). Trans. Bruce Fink. New York: Norton.

Faculty: Christopher Meyer, PhD, Analyst of the School

Date and Time: Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the month, October 11, 2022 through June 20, 2023, 6:30-7:50 PM, with a break from December 28-January 24 (classes resume January 24), and March 14-28 (classes resume April 11)

Location: Online via Zoom

Contact: Christopher Meyer, PhD, (323) 930-9662
cmeyerwoeswar@gmail.com

Fees: \$40.00 per meeting, or LSP tuition

Speech in Emptiness: A Theoretical and Clinical Discussion on Speech in Lacanian Psychoanalysis

"If, then, my talk was to be nothing more than a newborn's cry, at least it would seize the auspicious moment to revamp the foundations our discipline derives from language." -Lacan

In his Rome Discourse, Lacan reveals the important role that speech plays in psychoanalysis. Speaking about the speech is a way to hear what psychoanalysis truly speaks about or emptily cries out.

In this Chinese speaking seminar, we will go through Lacan's thought on speech, tracing the Heideggerian foundation for his distinction between empty speech and full speech, along with his further reflection on the emptiness and hole and its relation to the speech. Also, we will focus on the clinical techniques of punctuation and scansion to see how the speech functions in psychoanalytic practice.

Readings:

Heidegger, M. Selections from Being and Time

Lacan, J. Selections from *Écrits*

Lacan, J. Selections from Seminar I

Lacan, J. Selections from Seminar XXIV

Fink, B. Fundamentals of Psychoanalytic Technique

Faculty: Ruonan Liu, candidate analyst of the school

Language: Mandarin Chinese

Date & time: 8:30-11:00 AM Beijing Time, The fourth Saturday every month
September 2022-April 2023; no classes in December 2022

Location: Online via Voov

Fee: [2000 Yuan \(RMB\) \(\\$300 USD\)](#) or [School Tuition](#)

Contact: Ruonan Liu at immanuelli006@gmail.com

Seminar Book VII: The Ethics of Psychoanalysis

Desire and Jouissance are the central themes of psychoanalytic ethics. In this seminar, by following Lacan's footsteps, we will return to the discussion of "goodness" and "beauty" in the Western philosophical tradition, retrace Freud's concepts such as death impulse, the Thing, sublimation and etc. In this way, we explore the subject's desire in the topological structure and search for the source of jouissance under the radiance of Antigone's tragic beauty.

Ethics is always related to practice. In clinical work, psychoanalytic discourse not only explores the content of the unconscious, but also profoundly affects subjective desires and intersubjective relationships at the level of structure. Therefore, ethics concerns every specific analyst and analysand in personal analysis, at the same time, it also represents a collective aspiration toward a profound glory sublimated above practice.

Faculty: Yang Yu and Hong Zhou

Language: Chinese

Dates: 8:00 -10:30 p.m. (The fourth Sunday every month, Beijing Time, from September to April, no sessions in February)

Location: Online via Voov

Fees: 2000 Yuan

Required Text: Lacan, Jacques. *Seminar Book VII: The Ethics of Psychoanalysis 1959-1960*. New York and London: W. W. Norton & Company, 1992.

Reading Groups, Study Groups, and Cartels

Reading Lacan's Écrits

Lacan said, "I did not write my Écrits in order for people to understand them, but in order for people to read them." To read, that is, to work. In this reading group, now in its third year, we'll continue working through Lacan's Écrits and meeting once per month to discuss. New members are welcome.

Required Text: Lacan, J. *Écrits*. (2006) Trans. by Bruce Fink. New York: Norton.

Recommended Text: Vanheule, S., Neill, C., and Hook, D. (2018-2020). *Reading Lacan's Écrits*. Routledge

Faculty: Nathan Lupo

Date and Time: 9:00 - 11:00 am. Pacific Time, 2nd Sunday of the month September 2022 - April 2023
Location: Online
Fee: By Donation to LSP

Three Essays on the Theory of Sexuality: The 1905 Edition

This reading group is organized by the 1905 edition of Sigmund Freud's "Three Essays on the Theory of Sexuality."

Faculty: Robert Beshara, Ph.D., M.F.A.
Date and Time: 11/28, 12/05, 12/12, & 12/19, 3-5pm PST
Location: Zoom
Fee: Free

Reading Lacan's Seminars

We will choose and read one of Lacan's seminars together. Participants will take turns reading the seminar out loud, and the group will reflect and associate to the sections of the reading that strike them. Participants will also bring in case examples and discuss their work as it is elicited by the reading. Particular emphasis will be placed on application of Lacan's work to institutional settings including hospitals, correctional environments, and non-profit clinics.

Faculty: Roberto Lascano, Ph.D. & Jonathan Fishman, Ph.D.
Date & time: Saturdays 1-3, Dates TBD, Begins August 2022- May 2023
Location: Online via Zoom
Fee: [Free of charge, donations to The School encouraged](#)
Contact: Jonathan Fishman, Ph.D. at jlouisfish@gmail.com

Reading Schreber

Daniel Paul Schreber's *Memoirs Of My Nervous Illness* (*Denkwürdigkeiten eines Nervenkranken*, 1903) is a founding text of psychoanalysis.

My lsp experience has been – many read its analyses, but not the book itself. So we will read Schreber, by Schreber.

Rather than seeking to apply theory to his text, we will listen to the Judge – hearing so much – regards speech, language and writing, sex & gender, the body & medicalization, culture, religion, race, fathers and names, and their discontents. In this listening, we'll recognize structures of analytic teaching, and

in his speech – in the existence of the book – reply to a demand at the foundation of all analytic work.

Supplementary works will no doubt call (and we'll answer), but the Judge's testament itself, in the NYRB Macalpine translation, will be our main work.

Faculty: Mathew Seidman
Date and Time: Mondays, 6-8pm PST
Fee: \$25.00
Location: Online via Zoom
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2022-2023 SPECIAL EVENTS

Online

Working Day of the School Analytic Discourse and the Contemporary Clinic

In this year's Working Day of the School we focus on the discourse of the analyst in its relation to the contemporary clinic. As a discourse or social bond that makes way for the subject of the unconscious, what does the analytic act meet in the contemporary clinic in the aftermath of Lacan's return to Freud? How does what the clinic brings to psychoanalysis challenge the practitioner to adhere to an analytic ethics in which psychoanalysis is reinvented with each case?

As we did last year, the Working Day is an opportunity for all members of the School to participate in a teaching that will be followed by the constitution of working groups in which members of the School discuss and work together on crucial problems of our times in the psychoanalytic clinic.

Faculty: TBD
Date and Time: January 21, 12-3pm Pacific Standard Time
Location: Online via Zoom
Fee: free

San Francisco

The Porno-Techno-Scientific Discourse

Discerning that the master in Lacan's four discourses is patriarchal and commands the subject to enjoy surplus *jouissance*, this seminar will take a careful gaze at the capitalist discourse as regressively matriarchal. Conjoining Lacanian psychoanalytic theory, topology, semiotics, and the exodus of the joke, this presentation will examine leading signifiers in Western culture; namely, pornography, technology, and science.

Discretion advised: this seminar will contain nude images related to Cantarini's collaboration and curatorship with artist Pablo Corral Vega.

Faculty: María Liza Ahearne, PhDc and Maria Cantarini
Date: Friday, 23 September, 2022
Time: 2:00-4:30 PM
Location: Online viz. Zoom
Fee: Free
Contact: For more information and registration, please contact Ahearne directly: marializa.sf@gmail.com

Los Angeles

Transmission and the Lacanian School: From Television to Radiophonie and Beyond

Psychoanalysis is a social bond that constitutes a space for the work of the subject of the unconscious. In the aftermath of Lacan's invention of the *Passe*, the psychoanalytic School is a result of this bond that engages in the transmission of the *savoir*, or knowledge, of the unconscious. It stands or falls insofar as it sustains the guarantee of the lack in the Other and the defect of the signifier, and it is constructed and renewed on the basis of the work its adherents bring to transmit something of their experience within its frames (Palimpsest, seminar, teaching, cartel and reading group, Passage, and other forms).

Lacan's Television and Radiophonie raise questions regarding transmission in its relationship to psychoanalytic discourse and the speech of the subject of the unconscious. The analytic experience concerns the truth of the subject of the unconscious (S1) and the *savoir* of its subject (S2) that is constituted in its

experience and given place in the constitution of a new place in the social link through the act.

This event is an occasion for reflecting on the plethora of Lacanian emissions in today's contemporary media environment in order to better clarify and discern the ways in which the psychoanalytic School in the aftermath of Lacan's return to Freud functions as a frame for transmission in the formation of the analyst in our contemporary societies. It is an opportunity to work on the centrality speech takes in psychoanalytic transmission, and to the frames (the seminar, television, radio, podcast) that sustain it.

Faculty: Christopher Meyer, PhD, Diana Cuello PhD, Marcelo Estrada, Ben Davidson, PhD, Annie Rogers, PhD, Bret Fimiani, PsyD

Day and Time: Saturday, March 4, 2022 – 10:00 AM-5PM PST
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Joseph Scalia III, Psya.D.

Joseph Scalia III, Psya.D. is a psychoanalyst in private practice in Livingston, Montana, and an environmental activist and critic. He received his doctorate from the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis, the Psychoanalysis, Society, and Culture track. Dr. Scalia treats adults, children, and adolescents, having first incorporated Modern Psychoanalytic and object relations schools of thought, culminating in five years of supervision and study with Christopher Bollas. He then immersed himself in Lacanian psychoanalysis, for over a decade at the École Freudienne du Québec, before joining the Lacanian School in San Francisco in 2019. Scalia is the author of *Intimate Violence: Attacks upon Psychic Interiority*, and editor of *The Vitality of Objects: Exploring the Work of Christopher Bollas*. Most recently, his writing efforts have been directed to contemporary environmental ethics and practice. Essays conceptualizing the intertwined stakes of ecological integrity and the imperiled human quest can be found in *Mountain Journal*, *CounterPunch*, and *Outside Bozeman*; interviews can be found on *Wilderness Podcast*, *Rendering Unconscious*, and *Green Robot Podcast*. Dr. Scalia is former director of the Northern Rockies Psychoanalytic

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Artist, working at present under the name M Kennedy Volcofsky, his work is mytho-erotic, recognizably Jewish, and via the body-that-speaks, moves through a devastated temporality (ethics) along a membrane which separates and joins poetry and pornography.

His work has been published, staged, screen, hears, hung, and is held in collections in the US, Europe, the Carribean and Asia.

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Her main publications include: "Repetition Automatism and Insistence of the Symbolic Order – An Interpretation of "Seminar on 'The Purloined Letter'"(2015); "Time Drive for the Birth of 'I' and Systematic Misrecognition---- An Analysis of Lacan's 'Logical time and the Assertion of Anticipated Certainty: A New Sophism'"(2017); "The Birth of Colonial Subject— A Lacanian Reading of 'Shooting an Elephant' and Other Burmese Texts" (2018); "From the 'Uncanny' to the 'Automaton': A Psychoanalytic Interpretation of 'The Lottery'"(2020).

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