THE DENVER PSYCHOANALYTIC SOCIETY PRESENTS
THE 2019-2020 LECTURE SERIES

Lectures begin at 7 PM at Montview Boulevard Presbyterian Church, 1980 Dahlia Street, Denver CO 80220
This event is free to attend or there is a small fee for CME credit, which requires pre-registration.

October 18, 2019
Healing Through the Displacement of the Play in Child Analysis
Featuring Rick Hall, Ph.D.
The Case of 8 year old Peter will be presented to illustrate how an equivalent of parental loss through disability contributed to Peter’s depression, anxiety and narcissistic defenses. Illustrations will be given to show how vulnerability to narcissistic injury Peter was and how the resulting narcissistic defenses interfered with his education. Case material will be provided to show how Peter used the displacement of play with Lego blocks and Lego mini-figures to express how much of a bad guy he thought he was.

November 15, 2019
Featuring Gabriela Zorzutti, Ph.D.
The evening will be dedicated to presenting and elucidating the differences around termination of analysis between Freud and Lacan. The hypothesis is that termination has an important impact on the formation of an analyst and also in the politics of analysis, institutional and beyond. Discussion from the audience will be encouraged.

January 24, 2020
‘We Do Not Talk of Such Things’ An Analyst Travels Through Japan to Consult on Inter-generational Transmission of Trauma
Featuring Mary Ann Levy, M.D.
During a recent trip to Japan, Dr. Levy was surprised by the extent of difficulty for clinicians to deal with past, extensive traumas when there were so many recent ones, such as the Fukushima nuclear disaster, demanding attention. Using Selma Fraiberg’s seminal paper “Ghosts in the Nursery” as a way of organizing our thinking, Dr. Levy will share two examples of individuals, a 50 year old and a 7 year old, who exemplify how this transmission can be experienced even with language barriers and a culture which has a strong dynamic of shame over the expression of weakness. Psychoanalytic understanding of her own empathy and countertransference facilitated her openness and ability to help a population with hidden traumas.

April 3, 2020
The Erotic Self: Bringing Self-Psychology and Freud Together
Featuring John Riker, Ph.D.
Dr. Riker will show why the energy that vitalizes unconscious self structure needs to be thought of as eros and how the self speaks through what he terms "erotic eruptions." Dr. Riker will describe psychological dynamics in which there are strong tensions between the ego, the body, ingested social codes, and the self, and describe how one can tell what is pressuring one, so that they might determine the importance of those motivations. Along the way, Dr. Riker will weave together Plato, Freud, and Kohut into a novel picture of the human soul.

May 1, 2020
The Impact of the Analysts’ Real Life and Other External Factors on the Psychoanalytic Process
Featuring Aisha Abassi, M.D.
In this presentation, Dr. Abbasi will emphasize the importance of the analyst being able to discuss how external events, either in her life or in the environment surrounding the analytic dyad, impact the analytic process. She will use detailed clinical material to illustrate these ideas, which are often given short shrift in analytic work.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation require-ments and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of American Psychoanalytic Association and The Denver Psychoanalytic Society. The American Psychoanalytic Association is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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