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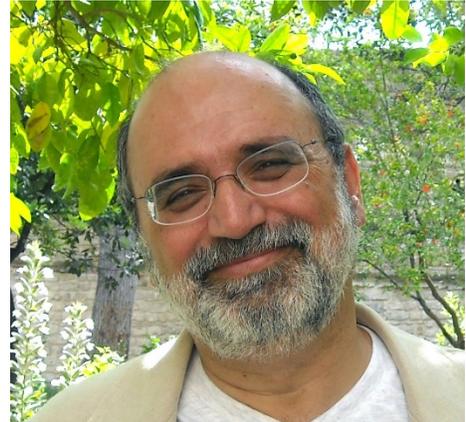
2018-2019  
Psychoanalytic  
Lecture Series

Friday, March 15, 2019 at  
7pm

Montview Blvd. Presbyterian Church  
1980 Dahlia St., Denver, CO

Free Association, Surprise,  
Trauma and Transference

*featuring Dominique Scarfone, M.D.*



**Course Description:**

I will contend that free-association, far from being outdated, is a most central feature of the method of psychoanalysis as it operates an essential reopening of the process of translation/repression. I will show that free-association sinks its roots in a model of the mind highly congruent with modern neuroscience. Through the notion of surprise, logical and practical connections can be established between free-association, seduction, trauma and transference. A well-conceived concept of free-association is therefore an indispensable tool for the practice of psychoanalysis.

**Goals:**

1. To get a clear notion of what is meant by “free association” in psychoanalysis;
2. To establish a clear link between the method of free association and the modern conception of the mind;
3. To formulate a relationship between trauma, transference and free association

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No RSVP necessary but registration is appreciated.

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