



InterRegional Society of Jungian Analysts

Please Join Us for a Conference in Jungian Psychology

Despair and Hope:
Holding the Center in Turbulent Times



Friday, November 1 – Saturday, November 2, 2019
Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport Hotel

The Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts (IRSJA) is pleased to announce our fourth invitational conference, welcoming participants in IRSJA seminars and study groups, visiting analysts and students of Jungian psychology. You are cordially invited to join our Society of analysts and candidates for a program of lectures and discussions on the theme of *“Holding the Center in Turbulent Times.”*

This conference takes place in a time of great political and cultural uncertainty. As we witness the widespread activation of primal anxieties, we are challenged to better understand what is emerging from the collective psyche and to develop meaningful psychological responses. The conference will provide a forum to explore and reflect on these concerns. Our presenters, all Jungian Analysts, will share their perspectives on questions such as these:

- How can Jung’s psychology help us to understand the changes occurring in society and to make ethical choices about them?
- How might we “hold the center”-- in ourselves, our clients and the world during these challenging times?

- What can Jungians offer to individuals and to the broader culture?

This is an opportunity to deepen your understanding of Jungian psychology in a warm, collegial atmosphere, while experiencing the stimulating learning environment that takes place during a meeting of Jungian analysts from across the Americas.

Eleven NBCC Continuing Education Credits are available for full attendance.

Presentations

Keynote Presentation:

Finding Our Way in Times of Trouble -- Fanny Brewster, Ph.D. M.F.A.

We live in politically and socially turbulent times and yet the work of Jungian psychology insists that we remain engaged with this turbulence. Our engagement must begin within the interior space. This is the psychological home of our inner work and the path that we often label Individuation. But even as we claim this path, we are confronted with the fact that both inner and outer spaces can be turbulent. A major fact of our times is the focus and volcanic eruptions regarding race and racism in our American collective—our cultural villages. This presentation will explore how we might reconcile the apparent despair represented by conflict, emotional rage and American tribal impulses of today with creating hope for our future—as Jungians, and as citizens of our American collective village.



Fanny Brewster, Ph.D., M.F.A., is a Jungian Analyst and writer practicing in New York City and a faculty member at Pacifica Graduate Institute. She is the author of *African Americans and Jungian Psychology: Leaving the Shadows* (2017) and *Archetypal Grief: Slavery's Legacy of Intergenerational Child Loss* (2018).

Reading Cassandra: Acts of Resistance in Interpretation and Life – Laura Camille Tuley, Ph.D.

Resistance can and, at times, does serve the aim of individuation and the movement of the Self, requiring an individual or group to go against the grain of social or cultural norms and possibly accept a position of marginalization, alienation and, occasionally, death. A fuller understanding of resistance can position us as creative agents in the process of making meaning with our patients and within our community. This presentation will examine the phenomenon of resistance clinically, through the myth of Cassandra, and in the context of the resurgence of activism in recent years, through movements such as "Me Too," anti-gun violence, support for refugees and the protests to halt the Dakota Access Pipeline.



Laura Camille Tuley, Ph.D., is a Jungian Analyst practicing in Madison, Wisconsin. She has published numerous articles and co-edited a book on feminism, culture and contemporary theory. Her presentation brings her interest in the political psyche into relationship with Jungian and psychoanalytic thought and practice.

American Cultural Complexes & Climate Disruption -- Jeffrey Kiehl, Ph.D.

Unprecedented climate disruption is now the greatest threat to civilization's existence. Even more tragic is that we are able to address this problem, yet do little. The United States is now the sole nation in the world that refuses to address climate change. This avoidance is rooted in psychological processes best addressed through a depth approach to psyche. In this presentation, we explore evidence that two cultural complexes currently pervade the American psyche. Understanding these cultural complexes helps explain the tension of opposites within American society concerning climate change. Finally, we propose a road map for working with the seemingly unbearable tension between these cultural complexes. When we connect with the numinous nature of the archetypal cores of these complexes, we may creatively hold the despair and hope surrounding climate change and move toward action.



Jeffrey Kiehl, Ph.D., a Jungian Analyst and a Ph.D. climate scientist, has carried out research on climate science for nearly forty years. He is an adjunct professor at the University of California, Santa Cruz and adjunct faculty at Pacifica Graduate Institute. Jeffrey is the author of *Facing Climate Change: An Integrated Path to the Future*, which provides a Jungian perspective on climate change.

Witnessing with Compassion:

Part 1 --Lunar Consciousness: An Alchemical Perspective – August J. Cwik, Psy.D.

Part 2-- Eve Speaks: A Mythopoetic Dialogue on the Deconstruction of Privilege – Carolyn Bates, Ph.D.

Alchemy presents a template for the transformation of masculine and feminine soul energies. A new “third” is being sought that requires a particular kind of reflective consciousness to allow the free flow of a strong active energy necessary to change old collective structures. With the privileging of “the masculine” and its culturally-venerated attributes, “the feminine” is too often relegated to the realm of “lesser”. This presentation will conclude with an imagined dialogue exploring how legitimate grievance arises from such imbalances of power.



Carolyn Bates, Ph.D., is a psychologist and Jungian Analyst practicing in Austin, Texas. She currently serves as President of the Texas Seminar of the IRSJA Analysts training institute. This marks her 30th year as a public lecturer on ethics, boundary violations, the shadow side of power and trauma in the collective.



August J. Cwik, Psy.D., is a clinical psychologist, hypnotherapist and Jungian Analyst practicing in Chicago. He is an Assistant Editor of *The Journal of Analytical Psychology* and a former Director of Training, supervisor and faculty member of the C.G. Jung Institute of Chicago. He has published articles on the structure of analysis, alchemy, supervision, dreams, active imagination and numerous reviews.

Illuminating Rape: the Representation of Sexual Violence in Women's Art – Diane Fremont, L.C.S.W.-R

An immense cultural shift and awakening is taking place that mirrors and expands the Women's Movements of previous eras. This presentation will examine how women, from a handful in the past to increasing numbers in the present day, have depicted very personal and often hidden experiences of sexual violence through their artwork, breaking the silence and giving these experiences a visual, embodied voice in the culture. Many of these artists' works also address or depict the means of regaining equilibrium and reclaiming one's own body, psyche, sexuality and strength after such violation.



Diane Fremont, L.C.S.W.-R, is a Jungian Analyst in private practice in New York City. She is a former Director of Training, supervisor and faculty member of the Jungian Psychoanalytic Association. She is a board member of the Archive for Research in Archetypal Symbolism and a contributor to *The Book of Symbols* (2010).

From Gregorian Chant to Rap: Music is Always the Bridge – Pamela Power, Ph.D.

Jung wrote that visionary art provides a compensatory function to the time in which it is produced. If we can recognize what it expresses, we can be more deeply aware of the culture in which we live. This presentation will provide a brief overview of the evolution of Western music and describe the spirit that has propelled it since the early church. We will then turn to the 'music' of Rap culture that today plays a powerful, and perhaps unrecognized, compensatory function. Rap is ubiquitous around the world, providing a unifying underground culture and carrying the spirit of global awareness. By recognizing Rap as contemporary liturgical music, we can deepen our understanding of the turbulence of our times.



Pamela Power, Ph.D., is a clinical psychologist and Jungian Analyst practicing in Santa Monica, California. Trained as a classical musician, she studied music history and theory at UCLA before becoming a psychologist. Using music and film, she has lectured widely on clinical and social topics.

Go Set a Watchman: Turning from Atticus to Scout as We Hope for a Future – Pamela Behnen, M.A.

This presentation looks to the novels of Harper Lee as examples of the construction of a faulty sense of identity based upon scapegoating and the multiple projections of otherness. The Jungian concept of cultural complexes offers a parallel to some contemporary theories of the construction of racial identities, including whiteness. Jungian psychology may be useful in deconstructing and providing alternatives to a fragile identity, based on otherness and scapegoating.



Pamela Behnen, M.A., M.A.P.C., LPC, is a Jungian Analyst practicing in the city of St. Louis, where she continues to explore issues of racial justice. Prior to training as a Jungian analyst, Pamela taught English Literature and writing at the University of Minnesota and Linn Benton Community College.

Is Anybody Home? Desperately Seeking Hestia in a World Turned Inside Out – Susan C. Roberts, L.C.S.W.

The last decade has brought what is arguably the most profound media revolution in history. The digital devices in our pockets have expanded our consciousness exponentially, enabling us to be instantly informed about and connected with virtually any person, place, or thing on the planet. The world rushes in to flood our psyches, obliterating what we formerly counted on as a sense of interiority or self. An antidote to this state of digital overload may be found in the image of the Greek goddess Hestia. Her sacred flame served as the center of every private household, keeping those who lived within its walls spiritually connected to the heart of life.

This presentation uses two films by Alfonso Cuarón to explore the condition of the human psyche in the digital age and its potential for restoration via Hestia-like attention and care. If a general sense of de-centered disembodiment is the prevailing psychopathology of our time, then the task that falls to us as therapists is to restore for our clients and for ourselves a sense of interiority, of subjectivity...that there is somebody home.



Susan C. Roberts, L.C.S.W., is a clinical social worker and Jungian Analyst practicing in Boulder, Colorado. A writer and former magazine editor, she is long-time student of archetypal psychology, astrology, and holistic healing, and a life-long devotee of the goddess Hestia.

Colonizing the American Psyche. Virtue, individuation, and the Problem of Consumer Capitalism – John White, Ph.D.

One of Jung's central contributions is the recognition that our individual experiences are formed not only by our individual psychology but also by collective unconscious psychological phenomena. In this presentation, we explore evidence that the primary collective unconscious factor which affects individual psychology in 21st century America is the implicit (though ironclad) commitment to consumer capitalism. This unconscious commitment has the effect of colonizing the individual psyche with a certain set of habits, attitudes and values which are inimical to the pursuit of virtue and which substantially hinder the individuation process. The final part of this presentation suggests ways to counteract this colonization in one's own psyche. In an era of vice and corruption, it is not enough to be conscious. We must also consciously and intentionally cultivate the psyche toward the good, the process the ancients called the development of virtue.



John R. White, Ph.D., LPC, is a Jungian Analyst practicing in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. He is Scholar-in-Residence at the Silverman Phenomenology Library at Duquesne University. For over twenty years, he was a philosophy professor, specializing in ethics, phenomenology, and philosophy of social science. His book *Adaptation and Psychotherapy. Langs and Analytical Psychology* is currently in print.

Unchaining the Dark: The Transgressive and Transformative Potential of Feminine Rage – Ronnie Landau, M.A., Marilyn Matthews, M.D., Constance Romero, M.Ed.

This panel presentation by three female Jungian analysts from different generations and cultural backgrounds will focus on the topic of female rage and aggression. Through personal reflections and varied theoretical and psychological frameworks, this controversial subject will continue its journey from the dark into expression in the light of consciousness. The use of story-telling, film, music and poetry will assist in amplifying and animating the meaning and necessity of female rage and aggression, particularly in today's world. Our stance is to facilitate communication and discussion, rather than align with positions that support oppression, fear, violence or shame in all of us.



Ronnie Landau M.A., LPC, is a Jungian Analyst practicing in Philadelphia. She is a former President and Director of Training of the Philadelphia Association of Jungian Analysts. She has lectured widely in the United States and Zurich and is currently President Elect of Council of North American Societies of Jungian Analysts.



Marilyn L Matthews, M.D., is a Jungian Analyst and psychiatrist practicing in Santa Fe, New Mexico. She is a former President and Director of Training of the New Mexico Society of Jungian Analysts. Her long standing interest is Women's Silence, with essays published in *Quadrant*, *Psychological Perspectives*, and *Spring Journal*.



Constance Evans Romero, M.Ed, L.P.C., is a Certified Senior Training Analyst practicing in New Orleans and a faculty member of the IRSJA New Orleans Jung Seminar. She lectures nationally and internationally on clinical and aesthetic issues in Jungian Psychology and has published essays in *Psychological Perspectives*, *the International Journal of Jungian Studies* and the *Journal of Analytical Psychology*.

Conference Schedule

Please plan to arrive before noon on Friday and to depart on Sunday. The program begins at 12:30 on Friday, November 1, 2019 and continues through later evening on Saturday, November 2, 2019, concluding with our banquet and dance.

Program Venue and Lodging

Our venue is the Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport Hotel.

Located three miles from the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, the hotel provides a free shuttle to the airport. Lodging is not included in the conference fee. We have a group room rate of \$149 for this conference.

To reserve your hotel room, use this link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/M/MSPAHHF-IRSJA-20191026/index.jhtml>

Conference Registration Form

Advanced registration is required. Register early to ensure your place.

The fee for the program, banquet and dance is \$180. Continuing Education Credits (NBCC) are available for an additional \$35. The conference fee does not include accommodations.

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