

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

**2012-2013 YEARLONG SEMINARS**

**East Bay**

**CLINICAL SEMINAR OF THE ANALYSTS OF THE SCHOOL**

**A Case Conference Focused on Subjective and Diagnostic Structures**

This year's case conference will be focused around a study of subjective/psychical structures and their relationship to diagnostic structures. In this context we will explore the relations among symptom, act, trait, and structure. Each of the diagnostic groups can have symptoms of the other and yet are distinguished by particular defenses and configurations of desire and *jouissance*. Subjective structures over include the distinction between character and neurosis, normality and pathology, clinical and existential suffering. Within psychoanalysis symptoms are transformed into *sinthomic* traces via the root of the symptom in a character trait. The English analytic tradition studied the schizoid character as a sub-category that can be distinguished from psychosis and schizophrenia. The seminar will examine the relations and differences among the schizoid and borderline character, the new hysteria, Deleuze and Guattari's schizo-subject, and what Miller calls ordinary psychosis. Perverse and Psychotic structures will be differentiated from neurosis with perverse or psychotic symptoms/traits.

**Faculty:** Raul Moncayo, Analysts, and Candidates of the School  
**Location:** 2820 Adeline St. Berkeley, Ca.  
**Dates:** Saturdays September 22, Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2, March 9,  
April 13 or 20  
**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 (drraulmoncayo@gmail.com)

*Approval of CE units is pending*

## SEMINAR ON THE *ECRITS*

It has been about 8 years since the publication of Bruce Fink's English translation of the Complete Edition of Lacan's *Ecrits*. For many years the English-reading world only had some samplings of the book through Alan Sheridan's translation of selected essays, and of independent and separate translations of some of the remaining texts. Fink's translation is an event. Unfortunately, however, the book has been underused. We will be reading and discussing the major essays every week for four months (or more) starting the first week of August. This will be a good opportunity to read key writings such as "The Function and Field of Speech and Language in Psychoanalysis," "The Freudian Thing," "The Instance of the Letter...", "On a Question Prior to any Treatment of Psychosis," "The Direction of the Treatment and the Principles of Its Power," "The Signification of the Phallus," "Kant with Sade," "Subversion of the Subject and the Dialectic of Desire," "Position of the Unconscious," "Science and Truth"... It has been said that the *Ecrits* is a very difficult text. True, but this should not discourage participants in reading it. If readers have gone through Lacan's Seminar XI on *The Four Fundamental Concepts of Psychoanalysis* or Seminar XX, *Encore*, the *Ecrits* should not be as intimidating, and in fact should be as enjoyable.

Faculty: Marcelo Estrada, Analyst of the School; Ali Chiavosian, PhD  
Location: 2305 Ashby Street, Berkeley, CA  
Dates: Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., starting first week of August until end of November 2012  
Tuition: \$575.00  
Participation: This seminar is open to everyone: candidates, non-candidates, and others who are simply interested in Lacan. Requests to attend this seminar should be addressed to Marcelo Estrada, marcelo.estrada@gmail.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 STUDY GROUP

This year-long group 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.

**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

### READING GROUP IN SPANISH: "THE SUBJECT IN THE BORDER STATE".

FRENCH TEXT BY JEAN-JACQUES RASSIAL IN SPANISH TRANSLATION

This is a reading group for clinicians and students interested in the theory and practice of clinical Lacanian psychoanalysis. The reading will be an opportunity to articulate Lacanian theory to the presentation of the subject in the border state in its structural and topological aspects. The text examines borderline states, in the subject and in contemporary society. It addresses the psychoanalytic act, by posing its advancement in our listening as clinicians.

For questions please contact Dora Grisetti, [dgrisetti@earthlink.net](mailto:dgrisetti@earthlink.net)

Fee: \$50/month. Location: 870 Market St, San Francisco (across Powell Bart Station). Fridays / once a month. Time to be determined.

### STUDY GROUP ON FREUD'S CASE HISTORIES

This reading and discussion group will meet one evening a month in San Francisco from 6:15-9:15pm, beginning in September and ending in May 2013. Our focus is a close reading of Freud's clinical cases: Anna O., Little Hans, Dr. Schreber, etc. Specific dates will be arranged prior to September. For more information or to join the group, please contact Fernando Castrillon, Psy.D. at [fcastrillon@ciis.edu](mailto:fcastrillon@ciis.edu)

### LACAN READING FREUD: FORMATIONS OF THE UNCONSCIOUS

“...don't expect Freud to show up for an appointment if it's supposed to take place in a conventionally defined place. One has to proceed very cautiously with Freud – when we

believe that the texts will provide the answers we're expecting, they don't. They go to unexpected, unforeseen places..." - R. Harari (2001)

This seminar will conduct a close, parallel reading of the first half of Lacan's 1957-1958 seminar, *Formations of the Unconscious*, alongside the text upon which it is explicitly and primarily based - Freud's *Jokes and their Relation to the Unconscious*. What are the clinical stakes and implications of this basis? What is at stake in Freud's book on jokes, insofar as it is addressed to the analytic experience of its readers? Participants have the opportunity of re-discovering the (un)familiar not only in Freud's analysis of the unconscious formation, but also in Lacan's treatment of it as ground for a series of inaugural re-orientations, concerning: the relation of metaphor to metonymy, the embedding of ego-formations within the structure of Demand, the three moments of Oedipus, differentiation of object from signifier within the phallic function, differentiation of desire from Jouissance, construction of the 'graph of desire,' and beyond. New translations of Lacan's seminar will be provided by the facilitator.

Faculty: P.G.Young MFTI / candidate analyst, and Participants  
Location: San Francisco  
Time: 15 sessions beginning in September, 2012  
Tuition: \$300  
For information call 510.418.6088, or email [p.geoffrey.young@gmail.com](mailto:p.geoffrey.young@gmail.com)

## ON THE QUESTION OF IDENTIFICATION AND IDENTITY IN PSYCHOANALYSIS AND SOCIETY

This seminar will study Raul Moncayo's text "The Emptiness of Oedipus". The basis of the book/seminar is Freud and Lacan's teaching on Identification. The question of ego-identity championed by noted San Francisco psychoanalyst Erik Erikson is examined in the light of Lacan's seminar on Identification. The proposed theory has a direct bearing on the aim and end of analysis proper and on the question of variable-length and brief analysis. Postmodernism and post-structuralism are examined from the point of view of Lacanian psychoanalysis as a critical discourse needed to understand and transform the question of majority and minority ego-identity politics within a new cultural era.

Faculty: Raul Moncayo  
Date and Time: Fridays 1-3PM beginning Friday Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Location: 2712 Mission, SF.  
Fee: Free  
Contact: [drraulmoncayo@gmail.com](mailto:drraulmoncayo@gmail.com)

## South Bay – Year Long

### SOUTH BAY DIDACTIC CLINICAL CONSULTATION SERIES: SEMINAR 14 THE LOGIC OF FANTASY

This year the South bay group will pursue a critical reading of Lacan's Seminar 14 on the Logic of Fantasy through which the participants will investigate the logical articulation of fantasy, the relation of the structure of fantasy to the structure of the signifier, the concept of the Universe of discourse, the relation of fantasy to writing, and ultimately connect these concepts to Freud's ideas on the relation of thinking to language and the unconscious. Classes will include clinical presentations and additional reference readings as appropriate throughout the course.

Faculty: Jon Bathori, PsyD. and Participants  
Location: 467 Hamilton Avenue, Ste. 22, Palo Alto, CA 94301  
Dates: TBA  
Tuition: \$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 AND DISCUSSION GROUP: FREUD'S MYTHS

Offers an opportunity for close reading and discussion of key Freudian texts in an effort to elucidate the ontogeny/phylogeny dynamic in psychoanalytic thought, with an eye to exploring the arc of Lacan's elaboration of the role of mythology in Freud. Texts include *Totem and Taboo*, *Moses and Monotheism* and *A Phylogenetic Fantasy: Overview of the Transference Neuroses*, as well as selected readings by Lacan, Levi-Strauss and Paul Verhaeghe.

Meets bi-weekly on the Stanford University campus.

Free of charge.

First meeting [Tuesday, October 2 at 4:00](#).

For more information contact Ben Davidson ([benjamndavidson@me.com](mailto:benjamndavidson@me.com)).

## SEMINAR: READING KRISTEVA WITH LACAN II: PSYCHOANALYSIS, UNIVERSITY DISCOURSE AND REVOLT

A close reading of Lacan's Seminar XVII ("*The Other Side Of Psychoanalysis*") alongside Kristeva's 1997 "*Intimate Revolt*", this year-long seminar will explore Lacan's conception of the discourses structuring the social bond in the field of speech, question the role of psychoanalysis in the university and in relation to scientific knowledge, and contemplate the potential for psychoanalytic praxis as a "culture of revolt" in the face of today's "yielding of psychic curiosity before the exigencies of so-called efficiency."

Meets bi-weekly on the Stanford University campus.

Free of charge.

First meeting [Wednesday, September 26 at 5:30](#).

For more information contact Ben Davidson ([benjamndavidson@me.com](mailto:benjamndavidson@me.com)).

## **The Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis (LSP) of the San Francisco Bay Area Presents**

### **2011-2012 SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **TWENTIETH-YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE LACANIAN SCHOOL OF PSYCHOANALYSIS**

LSP has finished a twenty-year cycle in the formation of Lacanian psychoanalysts and the transmission of psychoanalytic theory and praxis. After forming a first group of psychoanalysts under the leadership of Andre Patsalides, the school is now well under way in forming a new second and third generation of "Lacanian-American" psychoanalysts. For this event the school will be honored with the presence of Andre Patsalides, currently residing and practicing in Paris.

Date: Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup>

#### **THE TRANSMISSION OF PSYCHOANALYSIS**

Andre Patsalides, Ph.D.

This seminar will review the historical approaches to psychoanalytical training and will

present current contemporary perspectives. Among the topics covered will be how someone becomes an analyst and what issues are at stake in analytical formation. In addition to Dr. Patsalides the seminar will feature a recent video of M. Safouan speaking about his more recent ideas regarding formation. This is a seminar for the candidates and analysts of and in the school only.

Location: CIIS, 1453 Mission, San Francisco, room 550  
Date: Friday October 5, 2012  
Time: 8-4  
Fee: \$100.

### **CREATIVE SUBLIMATION IN THE ENDGAME OF PSYCHOANALYSIS**

Dany Nobus, Ph.D.  
Brunel University, London

Date: Friday November 2, 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)

### **MONETARY REALITIES: ON SURPLUS-VALUE AS AGENCY IN PSYCHOANALYTIC DISCOURSE**

Dany Nobus, Ph.D.  
Brunel University, London

Date: Saturday November 3, 2012  
Time: 1-4PM  
Location: CIIS, 1453 Mission, San Francisco, room 425  
Fee: \$100, \$40 for students

## 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: Dora Grisetti, MFT and Fernando Castrillon, Ph.D.  
Location: Contact Dr Castrillon at [fcastrillon@ciis.edu](mailto:fcastrillon@ciis.edu)  
Dates: May 5, 2013, 9-3 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: January 26 and 27, 2013. Saturday, and Sunday 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

## ON MEMORY, THE INVENTOR

Nestor Braunstein, M.D.  
Mexico City

This seminar will elucidate the question and function of memory from the perspective of repression, forgetting, the signifiers of death and their relationship to literature, psychoanalysis, history, philosophy, and the neurosciences. Braunstein argues that memory is a fiction that needs to be deconstructed.

Date: Friday May 16 2013  
Time: 1-3 PM  
Location: To be announced, please visit website for updated information  
Fee: \$50, 20 for students

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

## ON THE INVENTION OF PSYCHOANALYSIS

Nestor Braunstein, M.D.  
Mexico City

In this lecture Braunstein will articulate, perhaps for the first time in regard to psychoanalysis, four terms that can be useful in defining some essential aspects of the history, the theory and the practice of our discipline. These four terms dwell in the same neighborhood but at the same time they carry essential differences among them. To begin by ending the suspense, I will name them: **Creation -- discovery -- production -- invention.**

As we can easily see, there is an element they share, something they have in common; they all belong to the same semantic field. In every case they refer to the emergence, or the appearing, of something new, something that is now present and was previously absent. The four of them are different ways of generating or engendering new “objects” whose nature can be ascribed to a vast variety of categories.

Date: Saturday May 17, 2013  
Time: 1-4 PM  
Fee: \$100, \$40 for students  
Location: To be announced, please visit website for updated information

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

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

## **FACULTY / PRESENTERS BIOGRAPHY**

### **Andre Patsalides, Ph.D.**

Andre Patsalides is a training analyst at the Belgian School of Psychoanalysis. He is the founding member of the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis in Berkeley and is Emeritus Professor at the University of Louvain in Belgium. Currently, Dr. Patsalides is living and practicing in Paris.

### **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.

### **Fernando Castrillon, Psy.D.**

Candidate Analyst and Faculty at the Lacanian School of Psychoanalysis in Berkeley. He serves as core faculty in the School of Professional Psychology at the California Institute of Integral Studies. Private practice in the East Bay and San Francisco.

([www.drcastrillon.com](http://www.drcastrillon.com))

### **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.**

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 begun 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 "Evolving Lacanian Perspectives for Clinical Psychoanalysis. On Narcissism, Sexuation, and the Phases of Analysis in Contemporary Culture" and "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.

**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.

**Peter Geoffrey Young, MA**

Candidate 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 in private practice in Berkeley, 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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