

## SMP Annual Meeting and Presentation:

### *Psychoanalysis Today: Where are we and where are we going?*

by Mark Buenzle



ON APRIL 25, 2015, SMP held its annual meeting at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies. Following committee reports and a review of the year's events with President Dr. Theodore Laqueria, the meeting featured a three-member panel discussion on the topic, "**Psychoanalysis Today: Where are we and where are we going?**"

**Dr. Jane Snyder**, the main speaker, began by reporting on a discussion of the award-winning film, *Birdman*, led by BGSP faculty Dr. Mara Wagner, relating the film's fluidity in terms of the border between reality and fantasy to the realm of psychoanalysis. To quote Dr. Snyder, "The acceptance of all mental states and flights of fantasy, realizing the full capacity of our minds, and exploring the unconscious is the province of psychoanalysis, we work on accessing all of ourselves, our minds, all feelings, all thoughts, all potential fantasies, to know ourselves, our desires and impulses, and accept them all. When something approaching this is achieved (and it never is fully), we can escape our usual humdrum or painful or irritating repetitions and experience something new. We can jump into the unknown (just like *Birdman*)."  
*(Dr. Snyder gave credit in these remarks to Dr. Mara Wagner for her astute analysis of the film posted on the BGSP blog).*



Jane Snyder, main speaker

UNFORTUNATELY, this very work that we do with the unconscious, and its unquantifiable nature, puts us at odds philosophically with contemporary mainstream culture, which emphasizes pragmatism and objective, economically driven measures of success, or as Dr. Snyder put it, "the unexamined but productive life." Liberal arts education, with its emphasis on the well-rounded person rather than market-driven employability, has been on the front lines of this attack. Similarly, university psychology programs have veered steadily toward the quantifiable research of cognitive and behavior approaches and psychopharmacology, while psycho-dynamically oriented faculty are marginalized or all together phased out. The patient/therapist relationship is devalued and psychoanalysis vis-à-vis Freud is framed as an antiquated treatment modality. Challenging perhaps, but not hopeless, as Dr. Snyder turned to some good news, suggesting that unlike its challenges as a treatment approach, psychoanalysis as a method of inquiry and interpretation is alive and well in disciplines such as literature, anthropology, critical theory and gender and cultural studies.

DR. SNYDER HIGHLIGHTED three main factors responsible for the decline of psychoanalysis as a diagnostic and treatment method: "**lack of research**, particularly outcome research, **the lack of public outreach** in accessible language and the **divisiveness in the field.**" The answer to all three problems seems to be better communication – among ourselves and across psychoanalytic schools of thought (to put aside intergroup squabbling), and with the broader community and general public through more commitment to research and scholarship.

As modern analysts, we need to promote our research and case studies in a wider range of publications, and we also need to focus more on outcome research documenting the effectiveness of psychodynamic treatment, as Snyder said, "We have to play the game." In doing so, we can attract the kind of "outliers," independent thinkers in the *(continued on page four)*

## Legislative Update:

by Carol M. Panetta, Psy.D.

**BGSP IS SUPPORTING A BILL** in the Massachusetts legislature, filed in January that would license independent psychoanalysts and psychoanalytic psychotherapists. This bill is different from previous legislation in that it does not provide restrictions on the practice of psychotherapy in general, but rather just provides the new licenses. The goal of the bill is to make sure that independent psychoanalysts would be protected in the event that legislation restricting the practice of psychotherapy were ever to pass, and to set standards for the training of independent psychoanalytic practitioners. The bill is currently in the Joint Committee for Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, which has a new House Chair whom we have lobbied. The Senate Chair of the Committee recently passed away, and furthermore, the public hearing on the legislation will not be held until December 2015, so it is unlikely that action will be taken on the bill before 2016.

## BGSP: Approved Addiction Education Provider

Jane Snyder, PhD, President of BGSP, announced in July, 2015 that BGSP has been approved by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services to be an Approved Addiction Education Provider. BGSP students may now pursue either a Specialization in Alcohol and Drug Counseling in the MAMHC program, or a Certificate in Alcohol and Drug Counseling at BGSP. Both paths will provide the education and experience required for students to apply for the Massachusetts License in Alcohol and Drug Counseling (LADC). Specific requirements for each track will be posted shortly at [www.bgsp.edu](http://www.bgsp.edu).

## Notice to SMP Members

All SMP members who have not paid their 2015 dues and updated their information on the SMP website are asked to do so.

Complete and up-to-date professional information is required so that the **SMP Registry** can be prepared for publication.

If you have questions regarding this process, complete information can be found on the SMP website. [www.smpmemberlodge.org](http://www.smpmemberlodge.org)

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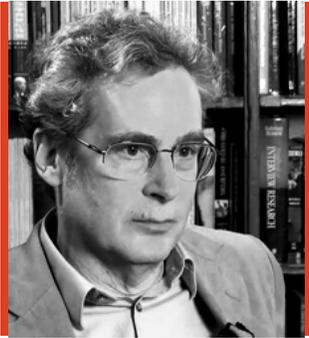
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Stephen Soldz

## SMP member report featured in *NY Times*

### Forces changes at American Psychological Association

by Priscilla Bennett

A report co-authored by SMP member and BGSP faculty, **Stephen Soldz, PhD**, was the subject of a major *New York Times* article by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, **James Reisen**, published on April 30, 2015. The *New York Times* article reveals the details uncovered by Soldz and his colleagues about the American Psychological Association's (APA) alleged clandestine support of the CIA's "Enhanced Interrogation" program recently described in the Senate's so-called "Torture Report."

Dr. Soldz along with **Nathaniel Raymond, PhD** of Harvard University, and **Steven Reisner, PhD**, of the Coalition of an Ethical Psychology and a member of the APA's Council of Representatives, spent nearly a decade of painstaking investigation, reflected in their report's analysis of direct-source documentation. The authors claim this documentation substantiates collusion between the APA, the CIA, and the Department of Defense to change the APA's ethics policies, aligning them with the then-classified Bradbury "torture memos."

The findings in their report were presented to the Board of the APA, which prompted an investigation. **David Hoffman**, former Chicago inspector general and Assistant US Attorney, appointed as an independent reviewer of the allegations of APA's involvement and complicity with torture during the Iraq war, substantially corroborated the findings of Soldz and his colleagues in the "**Hoffman Report**" released July 2, 2015. Dr. Soldz commented:

*"This collusion constitutes the greatest scandal in the history of American psychology. Our profession, based as it is upon helping people and a "do no harm ethic," was twisted by its own professional association to enable tuning of the harm used to break people down. If the profession and the APA do not get to bottom of this, find out how it happened and make serious reforms so that it cannot happen again, a pall will remain over psychology for decades."*

In a follow-up statement in July, Dr. Soldz said,

*"Steven Reisner and I met with the APA board on July 2 and we agreed to confidentiality until the report was public, which happened today. We therefore are distributing the Opening Comments that Steven and I made at those meetings. We believe that they provide a guide with which to judge APA's actions in the coming weeks."*



## ACAP Annual Conference: *Connecting II: Roads to Resilience*

On Saturday and Sunday, July 11-12, 2015, The Academy of Clinical and Applied Psychoanalysis (ACAP) held its Annual Conference at Caldwell University, Essex County, New Jersey. **Robert Davison**, Executive Director of the Essex County Mental Health Association, opened the conference with a presentation, **"The Role of the Mental Health Association with Clinicians and the Community."** Robert Davison proved a lively source of information about mental health.

Davison's presentation was followed by a screening of **Signe Bauman's** award-winning film "Rocks in My Pockets." The review in the *New York Times* stated...

*"Signe Bauman presents a sharp, surprising and funny animated feature, plumbing the depths of depression via her family history....It's told with remorseless psychological intelligence, wicked irony and an acerbic sense of humor."*

The audience appeared awestruck by the film. Bauman's therapeutic personality is demonstrated by the film's ending—a wonderful example of joining.

Saturday evening's dinner event included a talk by Signe Bauman, **"Putting It All Together: A Crazy Search for Sanity,"** in which she recounted her courageous journey of grappling with depression as a young woman in the former Soviet Union.

Sunday's keynote speaker, **Patricia Harte Bratt**, Director of ACAP's Trauma and Resilience Studies program, presented her research on **"Reciprocal Resilience: Surprising Clinical Benefits of Trauma Work."**

**Workshops brought people together** to consider such difficult topics as: *Managing life transitions, Life after addictive behavior, The resilient clinician, Gender issues on campus—transgender youth, Writing on the road to emotional resilience, Clinicians' artwork: Resolving blocks to client communication, and The clinician as entrepreneur.*

THIS YEAR'S ACAP CONFERENCE was educational, lively, friendly and welcoming. Several of the Caldwell faculty reported that attendees were grateful to have had such a positive community event.

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**SMP ANNUAL MEETING** continued from pg. one... academic and clinical worlds who are typically drawn to psychoanalytic study. Dr. Snyder discussed some of the strategies being developed in Boston such as formation of a Consortium of Psychoanalysis in Higher Education.



**DISCUSSANTS:** Dr. Rory Rothman, CMPS, (left) and Dr. Vicki Semel, ACAP and BGSP-NJ (right) followed Dr. Snyder's address.

**Dr. Rory Rothman** led with news from New York, including the health and stability of the **Masters Program** in its own right and as a feeder for the **Certificate Program** at CMPS, as well as the exciting work being done by the **Extension Division**. With state licensure in place, Dr. Rothman discussed how we might address outreach, and suggested how our work resonates with growing interest in healing and mindfulness, "the mind/body connection – and for those who want and need more than a fifteen-minute psychiatric visit or a time limited behavioral approach."



**Dr. Vicki Semel** followed with news from New Jersey, including **Masters Degrees in Psychoanalysis** and in **Psychoanalytic Counseling**. She also spoke about the certification of psychoanalysts now available in New Jersey, of the work being done with the Veterans Administration to approve BGSP-NJ degrees for veterans, and new strategies for marketing psychoanalytic education in New Jersey, as well as *the Visibility Project*—a collaboration between students and faculty at ACAP to reassess and revamp its mission with development focused on expanding the reach of psychoanalysis in the community. Dr. Semel asked us to leave the comfort of our offices and to engage in the broader community of psychoanalysts whenever possible to demonstrate the success of our work.

**Discussants were followed by a question and answer period and lunch.** With the astute perspective of our presenters, and the conviviality and engagement of all attendees, the health and viability of modern psychoanalysis was evident.

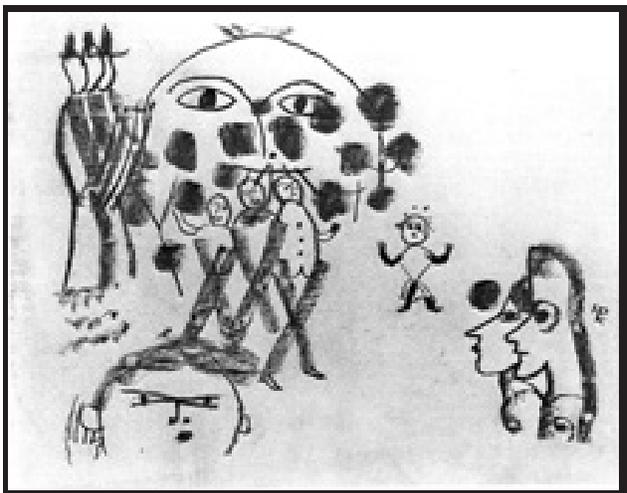
## CMPS Spring Art Show: *Psyche, Symbol, and Trauma*

by Steven Poser

**T**HE CMPS SPRING ART SHOW, “Psyche, Symbol, and Trauma: The Art of Lilli Gettinger (1920-1999)” opened with a reception at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies on March 21, 2015 and was on view through June 27, 2015. The exhibition, curated by Patricia Llosa, Jungian analyst and longtime educator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, featured the pastels, paintings, bas reliefs, and sculpture of **Lilli Gettinger**, a German-born Polish-Jewish refugee from the Holocaust, who settled in America in 1941 and went on to produce extensive bodies of work in all these media, though she has not, until very recently, been recognized and celebrated for her extraordinary accomplishments. At a symposium presented at the Center on April 17th entitled, “*Transformation of Trauma in Art*,” **Dr. Steven Poser**, CMPS Faculty, spoke about making art as a way of processing traumatic experience, and introduced Ms. Llosa, the curator, **Dr. Karl Hochschwender**, the husband of the artist, **Ms. Allison Faye**, collaborator to the exhibition and scholar of the work of **Christof Drexel**, another German artist who worked through his own traumatic experience in both the First and Second World Wars, and **Dr. Sophia Richman**, psychoanalyst and author of *Mended by the Muse: Creative Transformations of Trauma*, who gave the keynote address.



*Dream Play*, 24" x 18" by Lilli Gettinger from the *Dream Voyage Series* (1971-75)



Artwork by Christof Drexel

**THE EXHIBITION FEATURED** several large reliefs in a variety of materials depicting both victims and perpetrators of torture and persecution, as well as examples from an extraordinary series of colorful pastel drawings entitled “**Dream Voyage**” which takes the viewer through a symbolic journey of descent into the underworld, psychic death, and rebirth. Ms. Llosa, author of an essay for the catalogue produced in conjunction with the show, makes connections between **Gettinger’s work in this series and the paintings in C.G. Jung’s Red Book**, which also takes the form of a psychic journey portrayed in symbolic, unconsciously-derived images. Altogether, this was a unique show for the Center and one which engendered much thought and many feelings in those who were privileged to spend some time with it.



Dr. Allan and Judith Schore; Standing: Lynn and Bonnie Irwin with Dr. Miriam Voran, psychotherapist in NH and VT and prime organizer of events with Dr. Schore.

## VSMP Co-sponsors Allan Schore Workshop

by Bonnie Irwin

ON MAY 16, 2015, the Vermont Society of Modern Psychoanalysis crossed state lines to join with the New Hampshire Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers and the New Hampshire Psychological Association in co-sponsoring a workshop with Dr. Allan Schore. An internationally known researcher, author, and psychotherapist, he brings together fields as diverse as psychoanalysis, neuroscience, psychology, and biology.

During the day-long presentation held in Manchester, New Hampshire, **Dr. Schore outlined the science behind the work of psychoanalysis.** Drawing on current neuroscientific knowledge of the brain, he made a case for talking less and working to be more open to the feelings that the patient brings into the room. Dr. Schore

insisted that much of what makes a treatment successful is the therapist's ability to engage in right brain communication with the patient rather than a more traditional left brain approach.

Dr. Schore discussed attachment theory and the need for a nurturing environment to foster brain development in the young child. He showed how attachment experiences lay down the neurobiological foundation of emotional regulation, social interaction, and sense of self. Based on this, he made recommendations for treating adults who were not provided an adequate environment for healthy development.



## Success After Long Effort: ACAP Trains Veterans Under GI Bill

by Vicki Semel

**I**N JULY 2008 THE POST 9/11 GI BILL WAS SIGNED INTO LAW, creating significant educational opportunities for service members who had completed at least 90 days on active duty since September 10, 2001. The benefits enabled vast numbers of veterans to enroll in Veteran Administration (VA)-approved schools, colleges and postgraduate degree programs. The law required that applicant schools be accredited and licensed by the State.

**Dr. Moe Freedman**, a veteran and past president of ACAP's Board of Trustees led the persistent efforts required to achieve the desired approval by the VA of the programs at **The Academy of Clinical and Applied Psychoanalysis (ACAP)**. The first application was submitted in 2009. Approval was denied because, at that time, our school was not licensed by the State of New Jersey, although a Master's Degree was offered through our affiliation with Centenary College. A second application was also denied. We persisted. Dr. Freedman continued his contacts with the VA. In 2015, we were licensed by the State of New Jersey, and were able to offer two degrees, a Master of Arts in Psychoanalysis (MAP) and a Master of Arts in Psychoanalytic Counseling (MAPC) through our collaboration with the **Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis (BGSP)** Armed with these new credentials, we applied again to the VA, had a site visit, and were approved in the spring of 2015. **Veterans may now enroll in ACAP degree programs with the full benefits of the GI Bill.**

**One goal of BGSP-NJ is to train veterans to treat veterans.** Veterans gravitate to other veterans to find understanding and compassion. Recognizing this affinity we have designed our graduate program to include psychoanalytic counseling and treatment, as necessary, as well as providing the knowledge and skills that will enable vets to treat the mental health problems of their military brothers and sisters. Vets who have a bachelor's degree are eligible to enroll. We believe that well trained vets can have a significant impact on troubled veterans and members of their families.

The hard work and persistence of Dr. Freedman together with members of the ACAP family made it possible for Veterans in New Jersey to receive psychoanalytic training at ACAP and BGSP-NJ with the full benefits of the GI bill.

## VSMP: I Belong/My Belongings

by Alice Abraham

At the National Association of Senior Move Managers annual conference in Orlando, Florida, on February 27th, VSMP board members, Christina Healy and Alice Abraham gave a 90-minute workshop to 100+ senior move managers. *Senior Move Management* is the profession that assists older adults and their families with the emotional and physical aspects of relocation and/or “aging in place.” Senior Move Managers® have backgrounds in gerontology, social work, health care, nursing and psychology, others come to this industry from the corporate world of project management, technology, legal services, accounting or marketing. For NASMM’s referral directory and for more info go to: NASMM.org.

**TEN THOUSAND AMERICANS RETIRE DAILY.** By 2030 the population aged 65+ will double to about 71.5 million (*U.S. Census*). Moving is stressful. We all want to belong and have a place to call home but what do we do when our accumulation of belongings traps us in our homes? In this workshop, “**I Belong/My Belongings,**” we used modern psychoanalytic techniques to explore the emotional connections that seniors have to their possessions and to others. Right-sizing, packing, moving, modifying the home, unpacking—it’s not about boxes of stuff but about navigating the emotional roadblocks to make the process as stress-free as possible. During this transition, seniors can experience drastic change in response to losses: giving up their home and belongings, emptiness syndrome,

role reversal with their children, sickness, injury and/or death of loved ones. By dissecting the word **BELONGINGS**, several internal struggles are revealed: **BE:** *to be in the moment vs. LONGING:* *yearning for the past; BELONG:* *to be a part of a community vs. BELONGINGS:* *ownership of things*. The workshop focused on active listening through audio clips, case studies and role-playing. Included were “**Songs & Stories Saved**” an oral history project, an audio service provided by A Tempo Senior Move LLC. The client’s storytelling can be a therapeutic part of the move or right-sizing transition as their memories and sentiments are stirred up. By relaying the stories behind their stuff, seniors can give themselves permission to let go of many items that may have been a burden.

## VSMP Spring Salon: *That’s Why They Call It The Blues*

by Christina Healy

ON A BRIGHT SUNNY DAY after a severe winter, a dozen people gathered for the Vermont Society of Modern Psychoanalysis’s (VSMP) Spring Salon on April 11th at the Upper Valley Food Coop in White River Junction, Vermont. Discussant **Lynn Irwin** (*seated*) talked about the power of the human voice in music, not only in terms of lyrics but how the voice resonates and arouses so many feelings. As the title of this salon states, “**That’s Why They Call It The Blues,**” is both about a type of music and emotion called The Blues. Mr. Irwin was joined by local singer/songwriter **Lisa Piccirillo** to discuss how music makes us feel as songwriters, as performers, and as listeners. Lisa began with a warm and rich solo rendition of Willie Nelson’s “*Crazy*” followed by further group discussion, then accompanied herself on guitar for two original songs. Lisa’s first CD beautifully blends folk and pop. To hear Lisa’s stirring duet “*Sandbar*” with Patrick Thomas, go to <http://lisapiccirillo.com>. She has performed in various venues including Boston’s Club Passim, New York City’s The Bitter End, the Living Room and Rockwood Music Hall.

DURING THE PROGRAM and over a delicious luncheon, participants discussed the emotional impact of lyrics in different types of music including folk, blues, jazz, pop, and classical. For me growing up in Ireland, singing ballads was a big part of any gathering. There was always lots of laughter and tears. As my mother would say of me “her bladder is very near her eyes” – meaning a particular song can suddenly trigger tears of sadness or of joy.



BGSP Workshop:

## The Challenges of Aging

By Kathleen Henneberry

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he Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis offered two workshops designed to explore the challenges of aging this Spring. Titled: **Senior Talks**, these discussions were led by **Marjorie Goodwin, Psy.D., R.N.** and **Christina Healy, Cert. Psya., R.N.**, both faculty members at BGSP, with a combined fifty plus years experience working with elderly patients and their families, facing problems such as Alzheimer's, addictions, depression, dementia and other complicated conditions and situations brought about by entering old age.



Above: L-R, Christina Healy and Marjorie Goodwin.

**THE FIRST WORKSHOP** entitled, **POSITIVE AGING: Living the Fulfilled Life and Exploring What Makes Us Happy** focused on the ways we can examine our desires, and define the life we want to have going forward in time. Audience members shared their recent personal experiences, sometimes reaching out and joining community groups, attending events, staying engaged with church, and cultural and family life, yet oft times experiencing loneliness and continued feelings of isolation. Dr. Goodwin and Ms Healy shared recent experiences that clarified the importance of friendship, and spending time with people one cares about and enjoys being with, as well as staying connected with family and loved ones in the face of losses and geographical distances. The group was given "homework" in the form of a questionnaire about the different aspects of their lives that might need attention, bring satisfaction, or both; areas such as finance, health, work, interests and hobbies, and new things to learn or experience

**THE SECOND WORKSHOP** entitled, **Work vs. Retirement, the Value of a "Bucket List," Affection and Intimacy.** Having reviewed the assigned topics from the previous week, the group seemed to come together around the idea that "we must figure out both what we want, and how to get it" in order to have some satisfaction and happiness in the later stages of life. Staying connected to friends, family, co-workers, and meaningful careers, and sexual and intimate relationships; whatever it is we feel helps us to age gracefully, will keep us in touch with the life drive.



## BGSP offers Hospital In-service Education

**FAYE NEWSOME, M.A., Cert.Psya., NYS Licensed Psychoanalyst, Senior Faculty at BGSP and CMPS, and Co-Director of the Clinical Studies at BGSP** presented at the **Social Work In-Service** at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Brigham and Women's Cancer Center in Boston. **Phoebe Souza, MPH, MSW, LICSW**, a Clinical Social Worker on the **In-service** Committee contacted BGSP after hearing of Ms. Newsome's BGSP Continuing Education presentation on **Countertransference** last year. Ms. Newsome presented on this topic on June

10th to forty medical social workers who work in a variety of venues in the hospital system. These clinicians also presented a variety of cases for discussion, focusing on the complex and intense feelings that are aroused in this challenging work. BGSP Department of Continuing Education is thrilled to have Ms. Newsome represent our school and Modern Psychoanalysis at this world-renowned venue.

# SMP 2015 Fall Calendar

Please submit all articles and Calendar dates for the Winter/Spring Analyst to  
Charlotte Melnik at [melnikcs@hotmail.com](mailto:melnikcs@hotmail.com)

**July 28, 2015- July 31, 2015 • 9:00 AM to 12:15 PM**

**BGSP Annual Cape Cod Summer Conference:** *Becoming an Analyst: Treatment and Training.* The Cape Conference this year offers an extended learning experience where faculty and students can explore the concepts behind the process of psychoanalysis and discuss the nuance to the practice. Every day from 9:00am to 12:15pm. For more information, BGSP 617-277-3915/[www.bgsp.edu](http://www.bgsp.edu).

**Thursday, September, 10th • 6:00 PM**

**BGSP Informational Open House:** This information session offers a valuable introduction to BGSP's many programs. Learn about the BGSP experience, academic programs, modern psychoanalytic training, the admissions process, financial aid, and much more. For information: [admissions@bgsp.edu](mailto:admissions@bgsp.edu) or call BGSP: 617-277-3915.

**Friday, September 18, 2015 • 5:30-6:30 PM**

**ACAP and BGSP-NJ Informational Open House Events:** What Psychoanalytic Studies Can Do for You! Come to 301 South Livingston Avenue Livingston, NJ. For more information about our new Master's degrees and other ACAP programs • 973-629-1001 • [events@acapnj.org](mailto:events@acapnj.org).

**Friday, September 18, 2015 • 7:00–9:00 PM**

**ACAP Workshop: *Psychoanalysis: Then and Now***—Presenters: Gerald Fishbein, PhD, Paul Geltner, PhD, Stanley Hayden, PhD, Vicki Semel, PsyD. Workshops are CE approved for Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Art Therapists, and Marriage and Family Therapists. For more information: ACAP: 973-629-1001 or [events@acapnj.org](mailto:events@acapnj.org)

**Friday, September 25, 2015 • 7:30-9:30 PM**

**CMPS Extension Division:** Jasmin B. Cowin, PhD, presents: *Emancipated Woman or Femme Fatale: Bizet's Carmen.* Through excerpts of the staged opera, this presentation explores the behaviors and underlying motivations of this female protagonist. For information contact: CMPS: 212-260-7050/[www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu)

**10 Tuesdays: September 29 - December 7, 2015,  
7:30-9:00 PM**

**CMPS Semester Course: Introduction to Modern Psychoanalysis.** This course is designed to introduce major psychoanalytic and modern psychoanalytic techniques to those curious about or considering psychoanalytic training. Open to clinicians and the public. 15 APA CE credits; 15 NYSED CE credits-social work (*provisional*). For information: CMPS 212-260-7050 or [www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Tuesday, September 29, 2015 • 5:30-6:30 PM**

**CMPS and NYGSP Open House** – Join us for an informational session led by faculty members about the programs of study offered at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies and the New York Graduate School of Psychoanalysis. Information: [www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu) or: 212-260-7050.

**Thursdays, October 1, 15, & 29, 2015 • 7:00-9:00 PM**

**BGSP Continuing Education: “Good-enough” Parenting: Overcoming the Emotional Obstacles.** Presenter: Eugene Goldwater, MD, Cert. Psya. **Three Workshops:** 10/1: Emotional obstacles to caring for your child; 10/15: Emotional obstacles to helping your child grow up. 10/29: Emotional obstacles to teaching your child how to live in the world. Information: BGSP: 617-277-3915/[BGSP.edu](http://BGSP.edu)

**Friday, October 2, 2015 • 7:30-9:30 PM**

**CMPS Extension Division Event: *Educator’s Workshop:*** Managing students’ behavior is a constant concern of most teachers. Join these psychoanalytically trained NYC teachers, as we describe our experiences and strategies to secure successful outcomes for students. Lisa Alvarez, LCSW, Mark Buenzle, MFA, MS, LP, Robin Jones, MA, LP, Mary Landers, MA. Information 212-260-7050/[cmeps.edu](http://cmeps.edu).

**Saturday, October 3, 2015 • 9:00 AM to 12:15 PM**

**BGSP Continuing Ed – *Unconscious Dynamics in Coaching: How to Gain Access to Unspoken Resistances.*** Presenters: Melissa Fristrom, Psya.D., MBA, Julia Moore, MBA, M.A., Mara Wagner, Psy.D. Cert.Psya. For more information contact BGSP: 617-277-3915/[BGSP.edu](http://BGSP.edu)

**Saturday October 3, 2015 • 12:30 PM**

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**Saturday, October 10, 2015 • 10:00 AM to Noon**

**BGSP Continuing Education: *The Addict's Family: What Do We Do?*** Presenter: Sherry Ceridan, Psya.D. For more information contact: BGSP: 617-277-3915 or [BGSP.edu](http://BGSP.edu)

**Friday, October 16, 2015 • 7:00–9:00 PM**

**ACAP Workshop: *Reciprocal Resilience: Surprising Clinical Advantage of Trauma Work.*** Presenter: Patricia Bratt, PhD. All workshops are CE approved for Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Art Therapists, and Marriage & Family Therapists. ACAP: (973) 629-1001 or [events@acapnj.org](mailto:events@acapnj.org).

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**Friday, October 16, 2015 • 7:30-9:30 PM**

**CMPS Extension Division Seminar: *Countertransference:*** Presentation and Discussion. Faye Newsome, MA, LP. Distinguishing between countertransference and countertransference resistance occupies much of what we study in treatment. Discussion of case material that elucidates interventions. 2 APA CCE credits - psychologists; 2 NYSED CE credits – social workers (provisional) For information: contact CMPS: 212-260-7050/ [www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Saturday, October 17, 2015 • 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

**BGSP Continuing Ed: *The Use of Self-Help Groups in Work with Addicts.*** Presenters: Russell Lowe, Psya.D and Sherry Ceridan, Psya.D. For more information please contact BGSP: 617-277-3915/[BGSP.edu](http://BGSP.edu).

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**CMPS Extension Division Seminar: *Senior Modern Psychoanalysts: "Modern Psychoanalysis: Past, Present, and Future."*** Stanley Hayden, PhD, Paul Geltner, DSW, Gerald Fishbein, PhD, Valerie Frankfeldt, LCSW, PhD, and Robert Marshall, PhD, examine modern psychoanalysis, its prior accomplishments, and future promise. Information: CMPS: 212-260-7050/[www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Saturday, October 24, 2015 • 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

**BGSP Continuing Ed: "Using Music to Explore Theoretical Concepts in Addiction Treatment."** Presenter: Sherry Ceridan, Psya.D. For more information, contact: BGSP: 617-277-3915 or [www.BGSP.edu](http://www.BGSP.edu).

**Tuesday, October 27, 2015 • 5:30-6:30 PM**

**CMPS and NYGSP Open House:** Join us for an informational session led by a faculty member. Learn about the programs of study offered at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies and the New York Graduate School of Psychoanalysis. For more information call: CMPS: 212-260-7050 or visit [www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Friday, October 30, 2015 • 7:30-9:30 PM**

**CMPS Extension Division Event: "The Iron Law of Oligarchy: Can Psychoanalysis Escape it?"** Presentation by Arnold Richards, MD on the current crisis in psychoanalysis and its fall from public favor. Considering the ideology of the European founding analysts, of Marxist ideology, and the optimistic belief of these early analysts that patients could be changed. 2 APA CCE credits-psychologists; 2 NYSED CE credits-social workers (provisional). CMPS: 212-260-7050/[www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Sunday, November 1, 2015 • 1:00–3:00 PM**

**ACAP Workshop: *That was Then, This is Now: Changes in Psychodynamic Technique.*** Presenter: Demetria DeLia, PHD, LCSW. All workshops are CE approved for Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Art Therapists, Marriage & Family Therapists. For information: call or email: ACAP: (973) 629-1001/[events@acapnj.org](mailto:events@acapnj.org).

**Friday November 6, 2015 • 9:30-11:00 AM**

**CMPS Extension Division: Social Workers: *Is Psychoanalytic Training for You?*** Join us for a complimentary breakfast and explore the ways that modern psychoanalytic training can expand your clinical insight and strengthen your clinical and supervisory skills. Kindly RSVP. Presenters: Raul Plasencia, LCSW, and Theresa Solomita, LCSW. CMPS: 212-260-7050/[www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Friday, November 6 • 7:30-9:30 PM**

**CMPS Extension Division *Psychoanalysis & the Arts Event.*** Sam Schacht edits and directs Harold Pinter's, *A Kind of Alaska*—first performed in 1982 on the London stage and based on Oliver Sacks' (1973) compelling book that chronicles a group of patients he treated. Sam Schacht, MA, LP, is the former Dean of Actors Studio Drama School, New School University and currently is a producer, actor, academic and instructor at the Stella Adler Studio of Acting. For information: CMPS: 212-260-7050 or [www.cmeps.edu](http://www.cmeps.edu).

**Wednesday, November 11, 2015 • 1:30-2:30 PM**

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**Saturday, November 14, 2015 • 10:00 AM to Noon**

**BGSP Continuing Ed – Dealing With Negative Feelings Transference and Countertransference in Clinical and Work Settings.** Discussant: Jane Snyder, PsyD., Cert. Psya. For information: **BGSP: 617-277-3915 or BGSP.edu.**

**Saturday, November 14, 2015 • 12:30 PM**

**BGSP Informational Open House** – This information session offers a valuable introduction to BGSP's many programs. Learn about the BGSP experience, academic programs, modern psychoanalytic training, the admissions process, financial aid, and much more. For information contact admissions at **admissions@bgsp.edu.**

**Saturday, November 14, 2015**

**NAAP Annual Conference "Assaults on the Psyche: from within/without."** At the New York Law School, 185 West Broadway. **NAAP@ NAAP.org. or call: 212-741-0515**

**Sunday, November 22, 2015 • Noon-2:00PM**

**CMPS Extension Division Event: *Modern Psychoanalysis in Russia.*** In 1991, on a visit to St Petersburg, Russia, Dr. Harold Stern, invited to lecture a group of psychiatrists and psychologists, was then persuaded to develop ongoing training with them. Dr. Stern recounts experiences. **CMPS: 212-260-7050 or cmeps.edu.**

**Tuesday, December 1, 2015 • 6:00 PM**

**BGSP Informational Open House:** An introduction to BGSP's many programs. Learn about the BGSP experience, academic programs, modern psychoanalytic training, the admissions process, financial aid, and much more. Contact admissions at **admissions@bgsp.edu.**

**Tuesday, December 1, 2015 • 7:00-9:00 PM**

**BGSP Continuing Ed: Film Discussion: "Ex Machina, What Does It Mean to be Human?"** Mara Wagner, Psy.D., CerPsya. **BGSP: 617-277-3915/bgsp@bgsp.edu.**

**Friday, December 4, 2015 • 9:30–11:30 AM**

**CMPS Workshop: *Modern Psychoanalytic Approaches to Understanding Compulsive Gambling:*** Raul Plasecia, LCSW. Gambling is an expression of narcissistic pathology rooted preverbal period of development. Explore what patients may be communicating with such behaviors. **2 APA CE credits-psychologists; 2 NYSED CE credits-social workers (provisional); 0.2 CEU credits-CASC-G compulsive gambling counselors..CMPS 212-260-7050/www.cmeps.edu.**

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**Friday, December 4, 2015 • 7:00–9:00 PM**

**ACAP Workshop: *The Liberation of Aging: How to Treat the Older Patient.*** Presenter: Vicki Semel, PsyD. All workshops are CE approved for Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Art Therapists, and Marriage and Family Therapists. **ACAP: (973) 629-1001/events@acapnj.org**

**Tuesday, December 8, 2015 • 1:30-2:30 PM**

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**Wednesday, January 6, 2016 • 5:30-6:30 PM**

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**Sunday, January 24, 2016 • 1:00 –3:00 PM**

**ACAP Workshop: *Gender Issues on Campus: 2015 Transgender Youth.*** Presenter: Karen J Lazar, PhD. All workshops are CE approved for Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Art Therapists, and Marriage & Family Therapists. Held at ACAP: For more information please call: **(973) 629-1001 or visit: events@acapnj.org**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2016 • 5:30-6:30 PM**

**CMPS & NYGSP Open House** - Join us for an informational session led by a faculty member about the programs of study offered at the Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies and the New York Graduate School of Psychoanalysis. For information: **212-260-7050/www.cmeps.edu.**

**Friday, February 5, 2016 • 7:00-9:00 PM**

**ACAP Workshop - *Against All Odds: Couples Living in or Working Through Conflict.*** Presenter: Annette Vaccaro, LCSW, ATR-BC. All workshops are CE approved for Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Art Therapists, Marriage & Family Therapists. **For information: call/email ACAP: (973) 629-1001/events@acapnj.org.**

## 2016

**Saturday, March 12, 2016**

**Adam Phillips** is the presenter at The Center for Modern Psychoanalysis Annual Conference on **Saturday, March 12th, 2016** at the New York Academy of Medicine. Look for more information and brochure this fall or call **CMPS: 212-260-7050** or visit **www.cmeps.edu.**

**Blogging @ BGSP:  
Recent Films and the Unconscious**

Faculty members have blogged from a psychoanalytic perspective on two recent films, *American Sniper* and *Birdman*. Dr. Theodore Laquercia, is faculty emeritus at BGSP. His blog on *American Sniper* describes how the film reminded him of his own training as a Marine and offers a psychoanalytic explanation of the sniper's motivations and behavior.

Dr. Mara Wagner's *Birdman* blog discusses the film's relationship to **Raymond Carver's book**, with references also to Greek mythology, Shakespeare, and psychoanalytic theory.

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