

2019 SCIENTIFIC MEETING

PROUDLY PRESENTS:

Howard Levine, M.D.

***From the Dead Mother to a Living Discourse:
Transformations in the Work of André Green***

Saturday, November 2, 2019

UVM Alumni House – Burlington, Vermont

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Registration and Light Breakfast at 8:15 a.m.

Dr. Levine is a member of APsaA, PINE and the Contemporary Freudian Society, on the editorial Board of the IJP and Psychoanalytic Inquiry, editor-in-chief of the Routledge Wilfred Bion Studies Book Series and in private practice in Brookline, Massachusetts. He has authored many articles, book chapters, and reviews on psychoanalytic process and technique and the treatment of primitive personality disorders. His co-edited books include *Unrepresented States and the Construction of Meaning* (Karnac 2013); *On Freud's Screen Memories* (Karnac 2014); *The Wilfred Bion Tradition* (Karnac 2016); *Bion in Brazil* (Karnac 2017) and *André Green Revisited: Representation and the Work of the Negative* (Karnac 2018).

ABOUT THE DAY: André Green was a brilliant thinker and innovative contributor to our field. The fire of his ideas ignited a passion for discovery in so many colleagues: those who knew him personally as analyst, supervisor and teacher or heard his lectures and read his texts. He has been sorely missed since his death in 2012, but his thoughts continue to instruct and inspire.

Green was a leading voice in French psychoanalysis, one whose contributions sit at a crossroads, where the challenges posed and the opportunities presented by the work of Lacan, Klein, Winnicott and Bion meet the still generative insights of Freud, many of which Green reminds us have yet to be fully appreciated or developed. While Green had much to say about classical analysis and the treatment of neurosis, some of his greatest contributions were made at the points of what were once thought of as the limits of analyzability.

Like so many of us, he struggled to expand the reach of our theory and practice to patients whose difficulties lay beyond the spectrum of neurotic disturbances that classical psychoanalysis was originally intended to address. On this weekend, we will continue Green's attempts to understand and explore the work of the negative, the Dead Mother complex, the tension between presence and absence, loss and remainder, the creative, dialectical arc between them and their role in psychic development and the analytic process.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To distinguish the different levels of psychic organization between neurosis and non-neurotic structures (primitive personality disorders, psychosis, psychosomatic states, perversions, addictions, etc.).
2. To distinguish the differences in listening stance and technique required to work with and treat non-neurotic patients.
3. To understand the intricacies and subtleties of the dead mother syndrome and their implications for treatment.
4. To understand the intricacies and subtleties of the work of the negative and their implications for treatment.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

- 8:15 a.m. Registration and Breakfast Buffet
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome - Devon Jersild, Ph.D., VAPS President
Conference Overview - Claire Dumas, Psy.D., Program Co-Chair
Introduction to Dr. Levine - Mina Levinsky-Wohl, M.D., LCMHC, Morning Chair
Keynote Speaker - Howard Levine, M.D.
- Morning Paper: From the Dead Mother to a Living Discourse**
- 10:45 a.m. Morning Break
- 11:00 a.m. Large Group Discussion
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Howard Levine, M.D.,
- Afternoon Paper: An Extended Clinical Illustration**
- Robert Caper, M.D., Afternoon Chair
- 2:55 p.m. Short break to proceed to small groups
- 3:00 p.m. Small Group Meetings and Discussion Leaders:
#1 James Jacobson, M.D. and Judith Lewis, M.D.
#2 Sharon Dennett, M.S.W. and Elizabeth Flynn Campbell, M.S.
#3 Douglas Dennett, M.D. and Betsy Sprague, Psy.D.
#4 Mina Levinsky-Wohl, M.D., LCMHC and Robert Caper, M.D.
#5 Mika Barker-Hart, M.S.W. and Emma Burrous, Ph.D.
#6 Teresa Meyer, Ph.D. and Johanna Boyce, M.S.W.
#7 Polly Young-Eisendrath, Ph.D. and Mel Miller, Ph.D.
#8 William Butler, Ph.D. and Susan Alnasrawi, LCMHC
- 4:00 p.m. Afternoon Break
- 4:15 p.m. Large Group Discussion
Closing Remarks: Devon Jersild, Ph.D.
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

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Fee Schedule:

	<u>Before October 19th</u>	<u>After October 19th</u>
VAPS Member	\$175	\$200
Non-Member	\$190	\$215
Student	Free	Free

Cancellation Policy: No refunds after October 26, 2019.

Registration fee includes breakfast, lunch and refreshments.

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You will be on Main St. Follow Main St. through the set of lights at So. Prospect St.

After the lights, take the 1st left onto Summit St.

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- B Grasse Mount Lot**
GPS Address: 15 Summit Street, Burlington, VT 05401
17 parking spaces
- C Jacobs House Lot**
GPS Address: 416 Main Street, Burlington, VT 05401
10 parking spaces
- D Allen House Lot**
GPS Address: 172 S. Prospect St., Burlington, VT 05401
66 parking spaces
- E Wheeler House Lot**
GPS Address: 133 S. Prospect St., Burlington, VT 05401
42 parking spaces
- F Waterman Visitor Lot**
GPS Address: 437 College Street, Burlington, VT 05401
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