

2024 Seminar

Dreaming of an Inclusive Psychoanalysis

Presented with Casa de Salud's Mental Health Collaborative

with Patricia Gherovici, PhD;
Harold Braswell, MSW, PhD and
Juliana Varela, LCSW

March 27, 2024 | 1-4 p.m.

- ZOOM
- Mental health professionals fee: \$25
- Student fee: \$0
- 3 DEIB Credit Hours
- Beginner

Registration

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boundaries of traditional psychoanalysis with two maverick psychoanalysts: Jimmy P: Psychotherapy of a Plains Indian, a 2013 French film by Arnaud Desplechin and Adieu Lacan a 2022 film by Richard Ledes. We will see how classical psychoanalytic concepts can open up to absorb radically different cultural modes: Blackfoot myth, AfroBrazilian legend, and Arabic narratives.

Second Presentation: Case Presentation

with Harold Braswell, MSW, PhD

A summary of a psychotherapy case will be presented to the group for discussion. The case presentation will bring together themes from the keynote presentation through clinical material.

The case discussion will be cofacilitated by Juliana Varela, LCSW and Patricia Gherovici, PhD.

Course Description

First Presentation:

**Dreaming of an Inclusive Psychoanalysis:
George Devereux & Betty Millan—two
cures across languages and cultures**

with Patricia Gherovici, PhD

Patricia Gherovici will compare two films documenting actual cures that push the

Course Objectives:

Patricia Gherovici's:

1. Learn about the pioneering psychoanalytic-anthropological framework of George Devereux when psychoanalyzing a traumatized WWII veteran and Blackfoot native American with inexplicable somatic symptoms.
2. Learn about a psychoanalysis successfully conducted by Jacques Lacan in Paris with a Brazilian analyst who integrates innovative psychoanalytic techniques, AfroBrazilian legend, and Arabic narratives.
3. Become familiar with the practice of psychoanalysis across cultures.

Biography:



Patricia Gherovici, Ph.D. is a psychoanalyst, analytic supervisor, and recipient of the 2020 Sigourney Award for her clinical and scholarly work with Latinx and gender variant communities. She is co-founder and director of the Philadelphia Lacan Group and Associate Faculty, Psychoanalytic Studies Minor, University of Pennsylvania (PSYS), Honorary Member at IPTAR the Institute for Psychoanalytic Training and Research in New York City, and Founding Member of Das Unbehagen, co-founder and trustee Pulsion: The International Institute of Psychoanalysis and Psychoanalytic Psychosomatics, New York. Her single-authored books include *The Puerto Rican Syndrome* (Other Press: 2003) winner of the Gradiva Award and the Boyer Prize, *Please Select Your Gender: From the Invention of Hysteria to the Democratizing of Transgenderism* (Routledge: 2010) and *Transgender Psychoanalysis: A Lacanian Perspective on Sexual Difference* (Routledge: 2017). She edited three volumes with Manya Steinkoler: *Lacan On Madness: Madness Yes You Can't* (Routledge: 2015) and *Lacan, Psychoanalysis and Comedy* (Cambridge University Press: 2016) and *Psychoanalysis, Gender and Sexualities: From Feminism to Trans** (Routledge: 2023) and with Chris Christian *Psychoanalysis in the Barrios: Race, Class, and the Unconscious* (Winner of the Gradiva Award for best edited collection and the American Board and Academy of Psychoanalysis Book Prize; Routledge: 2019.)



Harold Braswell, MSW, PhD is an associate professor of health care ethics and a clinical trainee and analytic candidate at the Saint Louis Psychoanalytic Institute. He is the author of *The Crisis of US Hospice Care* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2019) and various articles in both academic and popular publications; his most recently published article, «Denying Nothingness,» addresses the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on US long-term care, was published in *Parapraxis*.



People seek therapy for variety of reasons, ranging from difficulties with a specific life event or a general pursuit for greater purpose and connectedness. Psychotherapy offers an arena for self exploration unlike any other and can prove to be a profoundly moving experience. **Juliana Varela** works with individuals affected by trauma, difficulties in relationships, depression/post-partum depression, infertility, adoption, parenting, struggles in cultural adaptation and immigration, identity, self-esteem, sexuality, etc. Often she finds that the most meaningful change comes from those who are open and willing to engage in the journey. The change you seek comes from you and will be our guiding force.

Varela's work pivots around the basic premise that in order to reach a deeper understanding of oneself and grow through challenges, a space of safety and respectful reflection must be attained. She aims to define a unique relationship where together we can nurture curiosity and harvest increasingly satisfying ways for you to live your life.

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