The 42nd Annual IAPSP International Conference: “Engaging Difference and Sameness: Pathways to Empathic Dialogue” will be held in Vancouver, Canada, from Thursday, October 17 to Sunday, October 20, 2019.

We look forward to welcoming you to beautiful Vancouver for this year’s conference. This city is a dynamic, multi-cultural part of Canada’s Pacific Rim, founded on the unceded, territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations whose peoples have inhabited, honoured, and cared for this land since time immemorial. Within this context we will continue our search for a Psychoanalytic Self Psychology that can provide a meaningful and relevant response to our increasingly troubled, traumatized and traumatizing world.

Our Conference’s contribution to this search entails a rigorous inquiry into our constitutive multi-dimensional contextuality including contexts of politics, culture, history, race, gender, class, and sexual orientation. We therefore hope that the conference will open pathways to empathic dialogue and transformation not only for the therapeutic dyad, but also potentially in the surrounding political/cultural environment. Furthermore, by attending to the multiple dimensions of difference and sameness, as they emerge in the therapeutic process, we hope to put a definitive end to the comforting illusion that our consulting rooms can be kept separate from our troubled world.

The conference will begin with a keynote address by Philip Cushman, noted author of Travels with the Self: Interpreting Psychology as Cultural History, who will provide a challenging hermeneutic perspective whereby even our most treasured psychological theories and practices are disclosed to be historical artefacts reflecting the larger moral understandings and political arrangements of our time, arrangements that could preserve the very inequalities of power and privilege our community purports to deplore. An exciting and diverse array of plenaries will continue the dialogue: A quartet of respondents to Cushman’s Keynote address; Complementing Cushman’s hermeneutic analysis with a compelling dynamic systems understanding of the political; The historical trauma of Indigenous residential schools conveyed through a First Nation son of a survivor and an archivist’s heart-wrenching research; The Cushman’s hermeneutic analysis with a compelling dynamic system’s understanding of the political; The historical trauma of Indigenous residential schools conveyed through a First Nation son of a survivor and an archivist’s heart-wrenching research; The challenge of working with culturally based assumptions embedded within our theories; A moving clinical case where mutual empathic connection is negotiated amidst a complex background of power, gender, cultural, and political differences.

We invite you to join us for what promises to be a clinically relevant, enriching educational experience and to feel at home in our vibrant, supportive international community. Small discussion groups led by seasoned clinicians follow each plenary, offering the opportunity to discuss thoughts, ideas and questions in an intimate and supportive setting. There will also be Workshops and Original Paper Presentations. IAPSP invites all interested professionals to submit papers to be considered for inclusion in the Original Paper Sessions at this conference. You must be a member of IAPSP to present at the conference. Papers must be relevant to Self Psychology and Psychoanalysis, the conference theme, and submitted in English. These paper sessions are scheduled for 1.5 hours, which will include the actual presentation and a discussion by a faculty member and the audience. Paper submissions may be up to 15 pages, double-spaced, with the font to be no smaller than 12 point, with 1¼ inch margins on all four sides, and approximately 3,600 words. If your paper is accepted, we will ask that the final presentation be limited to 25-30 minutes.

*** SUBMISSION PROCESS ***

The deadline for submitting your paper is Monday, March 4, 2019. No names are to appear on your paper. You may send your submission as an email attachment ONLY to: nilou@km-direct.com. In addition to your paper, please submit the following:

1. One Paragraph Abstract AND Three Learning Objective for your presentation (“At the conclusion of my presentation, the participant will be able to: (verbs to use: list, describe, recite, write, compute, discuss, explain, predict, apply, demonstrate, prepare, use, analyze, design, select, utilize, compile, create, plan, revise, assess, compare, rate, critique). Items should be on the same page and must be typed.

2. Curriculum Vitae AND a one-paragraph Biography of your current professional work.

Due to continuing education application requirements, all of these materials must be submitted in order for your paper to be reviewed. We regret that papers submitted without all of the above items cannot be considered for review. Authors will be notified of the Paper Committee’s decision by May 2019. Paper sessions are limited by space availability. Should your paper be accepted, you will need to register for the conference and be a member of IAPSP in order to present your paper. Conference Registration is not complimentary for paper presenters.
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