

AGPA Connect provides participants from diverse clinical disciplines the opportunity to advance their knowledge, skills, and training in group psychotherapy and related fields. The AGPA Connect experience includes the development of new clinical approaches, refinement of therapeutic methods, exchange of clinical and empirical knowledge with colleagues, exposure to current research and theory, and the opportunity to participate in a multidisciplinary peer support network.

AGPA Connect is divided into three sections: the One-Day Special Institute (Monday, March 6) taught by prominent clinicians, the Two-Day Institute (Tuesday-Wednesday, March 7-8) devoted to small group teaching primarily in the experiential mode, the, and the Three-Day Conference (Thursday-Saturday, March 9-11) which offers a variety of formats, including limited registration workshops as well as open session panels on special topics and original scientific paper sessions. This year we have incorporated a virtual component and are offering online sessions during both the Institute and Conference.

Who Should Attend?

Mental health professionals who have an interest in and/or currently work with groups who wish to be kept abreast of new developments and to expand the scope of their clinical practices.

Why Should You Attend?

- World-renowned faculty are available to instruct, challenge, and inspire you.
- Earn over 30 continuing education credits in your affiliated discipline.
- Learn valuable, proven strategies, and clinical techniques that can be used immediately.
- Access a full menu of diversified offerings designed to sharpen your knowledge and skills.
- Take advantage of time away from the day-today pressures of work. You'll return refreshed, stimulated, and rejuvenated — and ready for new challenges ahead.
- Create cherished memories while strengthening your professional expertise.

What You Will Learn!

After participating, attendees will be able to:

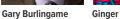
- 1. Identify, review, and integrate basic group dynamic concepts into their group practice;
- 2. Compare the theoretical underpinnings of various schools of group therapy;
- 3. Conduct groups in a variety of settings with a broad range of populations;
- 4. Apply evidenced-based practices as they relate to group therapy.

How to Register!

An online registration form is available on the AGPA website, agpa.org. You may also register by mail, phone, and email. To mail: complete the registration form on the back cover and mail it along with your payment to American Group Psychotherapy Association, c/o SunTrust Lockbox, PO Box 117572, Atlanta, GA 30368-7572. Phone registration is available by calling toll-free 877-668-AGPA (2472) or 212-297-2190. You may also email us at registration@agpa.org.

We are excited to welcome you to AGPA Connect 2023 with our theme of "Group as a Catalyst for Reimagining and Embracing the Future". We cannot tell you how glad we are to be back together this year in person in New York City. The members of our vibrant hosting society (Eastern GPS) have been working hard to assure that we will be able to enjoy the wonderful options for fun that the Big Apple has to offer. Be sure to see









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their Hospitality Guide for food and activity suggestions. It has been a long three years since we have been together, and we want to assure our in-person attendees that we are working with the hotel to ensure a safe environment. Along with our in-person offerings, we are offering a limited virtual program for those of you will not be able to be with us in New York. We hope that you will join us in-person or virtually. We have been working hard to put together a stimulating learning experience for everyone.

Our plenary speakers will be addressing timely topics such as the psychology of climate control, understanding international conflicts, and dynamics of Othering. Our two-day Institute has our very best group leaders offering a wide variety of specific topics and also our general process groups. We have reduced the number of participants in the Institutes which will provide more safety health-wise and yield a more intimate experience for you. The three-day Conference has a wide array of open sessions, workshops, and courses. We have a balance of topics that address different theoretical approaches, developmental stages, and clinical issues. Some of the topics offered are trauma, addiction, psychodrama, intersectionality around race, gender, sexuality, ethnicity and health matters, creative approaches to group, and many more.

Please be sure to read the emails you receive to stay atop this essential information, as well as checking the AGPA Connect App. And, as always, if you need help figuring out how to navigate the many meeting options, check out the FAQ section of the AGPA website. The AGPA staff and the Connect Co-Chairs are also available to assist you in any way needed.

We call our meeting AGPA Connect because it is the connections made at multiple levels which makes our meeting unique. There will be events for First-Time Attendees, New Members, and New CGPs. Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are also a great way to meet others with similar interests. There will be the usual opportunities to gather to network, renew old friendships and make new friends. The hotel offers several convenient venues for meeting with others. Of course, we will be right in the heart of Times Square and there is no shortage of restaurants, diners, and coffee shops for early morning or evening gatherings.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting and know that some of you are with us virtually. No matter how we connect, we all share in the common mission of bringing group to the world. AGPA Connect is our yearly opportunity to learn, grow, network, and share our love for group. We can't wait to see you!

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What to look for inside...

We have an exciting line-up of speaker presentations:

- Two Special Institute Presentations on Monday, March 6:
 - 1) Nina Harris & Duke Fisher will present "Restorative Circle Process: Powerful Practice for Individual and Group Transformation "
 - 2) Jeffrey Hudson, Med, LPC, CGP, AGPA-F will present "Emotional Availability in Group: Expanding the Capacity for Intimacy in Group Members and Leaders"
- Ronnie Levine, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F will present the Opening Institute Plenary Address entitled, "Finding Your Self in Group."
- Rev. Ronald Hopson. PhD will be the Conference Opening Plenary Speaker; his presentation is entitled, "Embracing the Other: The Fundamental Work of a Working Group."
- Vamik Volkan, MD, DFLAPA, FACPsa will deliver the Anne and Ramon Alonso Plenary Address entitled, "Large Group Identity Issues, Political Leader-Followers Interactions and Social Well-Being."
- The Mitchell Hochberg Memorial Public Education Event will be presented by Renée Lertzman, PhD on "Navigating the Trance of Group Delusion: Connecting the Climate and Community Dots."
- The Louis R. Ormont Event will be presented by **Ellen** Wright, PhD. It is entitled, "Humility and Transparency in the Group Leader."

Just for fun, at the end of each day there is a time to get to know each other personally at our evening social hours. You also won't want to miss two of the meeting's highlights hosted by the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health: the Friday night dance party and the Saturday luncheon.

Attendance is Affordable...

New Member Discount. If you are not currently an AGPA member and join at the time of registration, you will save more than the difference between the member and nonmember registration fee. An online membership application is available on our website and on page 19 of this program. We hope you will join us as a member.

A 35% discount is offered to Students, Early Career Professionals, Retirees, and Clinicians and Chaplains working with Active Duty Military and Veterans.

Agency/Institutional Multi-Person Registration Discount.

A special discount is available to individuals from the same agency/institution. The first registration is at the full rate with additional registrations from the same agency at a 35% discount. In order to obtain a discount code for your institution, send a listing of the names of registrants on agency letterhead stating personnel are full-time or part-time employees whose sole source of income is from the agency to registration@agpa.org. The letter should also verify the agency or institution as a non-profit. (Other discounts are not applicable when using an agency/ institutional discount.)

AGPA Connect Scholarships are also being offered by the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health, Details on Awards and Scholarships for attendees as well as application information can be found on our website.

Please consider a donation to the Scholarship Fund to support the scholarship program; you can include a gift on the website or on the registration form found on the last page of this program.

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ONE-DAY SPECIAL INSTITUTE	TWO-DAY	INSTITUTE		THREE-DAY CONFERENCE		
Monday, March 6	Tuesday, March 7	Wednesday, March 8	Thursday, March 9	Friday, March 10	Saturday, March 11	
7:30 AM-5:00 PM Registration	7:30 AM-5:30 PM Registration	8:00 AM-5:00 PM Registration	7:00 AM-5:00 PM Registration	7:00 AM-5:00 PM Registration	7:00 AM-3:00 PM Registration	
			7:00-8:00 AM Early Bird Open Sessions	7:00-8:00 AM Early Bird Open Sessions	7:00-8:00 AM Early Bird Open Sessions	
			Breakfast for New Member & CGP; First-Time Attendees Spouse & International Guest Breakfast	Fellows Breakfast		
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon Special Institute	8:00-9:00 AM Institute Opening Plenary		8:15-9:30 AM Conference Opening Plenary	8:15-9:30 AM Anne & Ramon Alonso	8:15-9:15 AM Mitchell Hochberg Memoria	
Presentations: "Restorative Circle Process: Powerful Practice for Individual and Group Transformation"	"Finding Your Self in Group" Ronnie Levine, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F		"Embracing the Other: The Fundamental Work of a Working Group" Rev. Ronald Hopson, PhD	"Large Group Identity Issues, Political Leader- Followers Interactions and	Public Education Event "Navigating the Trance of Group Delusion: Connecting the Climate	
Duke Fisher & Nina N. Harris OR "Emotional Availablity	9:30 AM-12:30 PM General and Specific Focus Process Group Experience Sections 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon General and Specific Focus Process Group Experience Sections			Social Well-Being" Vamik Volkan, MD, DFLAPA, FACPsa	and Community Dots" Renée Lertzman, PhD	
in Group: Expanding the Capacity for Intimacy in Group Members and Leaders" Jeffrey Hudson, MEd, LPC,			10:00 AM-12:30 PM Workshop & Open Sessions	10:00 AM-12:30 PM Workshop & Open Sessions	9:30 AM-12:00 Noon Workshop & Open Sessions	
CGP, AGPA-F						
12:00 Noon-2:00 PM Lunch	12:30-2:30 PM Lunch	12:00 Noon-2:00 PM Lunch	12:30-2:30 PM Lunch	12:30-2:30 PM Lunch	12:00 Noon-2:00 PM Group Foundation Luncheon & Performance	
2:00-5:00 PM Special Institute Presentations	2:30-5:30 PM General and Specific Focus Process Group Experience Sections	2:00-5:00 PM General and Specific Focus Process Group Experience Sections	2:30 -5:00 PM Workshop & Open Sessions	2:30 -4:00 PM Workshop & Open Sessions	2:00 -4:30 PM Workshop & Open Sessions	
Continue	Sections	Sections			4:45-5:30 Conference Participant Evaluation Meeting	
				4:30-6:00 PM Workshop & Open Sessions	5:45-6:45 PM 12-Step Recovery Meeting	
5:30-6:30 PM 12-Step Recovery Meeting	6:00-7:00 PM 12-Step Recovery Meeting	5:30-6:15 PM Institute Participant Evaluation Meetings	5:30-6:30 PM 12-Step Recovery Meeting		5:45-7:00 PM Closing Reception	
5:30-7:00 PM Reception		5:30-6:30 PM 12-Step Recovery Meeting	5:30-7:00 PM Reception	6:30-7:30 PM 12-Step Recovery Meeting		
	6:00-7:30 PM Reception	5:30-7:00 PM Reception	6:00-7:30 PM Membership Community	6:30-7:45 PM Memorial Session		
	7:00 PM No Host Dinner for New Members & CGPs and First-Time Attendees	7:00-8:30 PM Tri-Organizational Awards Ceremony	Meeting	9:00 PM Group Foundation Dance Party		

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Special Institute Presentations Monday, March 6, 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon & 2:00-5:00 PM

SI-1 Restorative Circle Process: Powerful Practice for Individual and **Group Transformation**

Duke Fisher and Nina Harris

The emerging field of restorative practices offers new opportunities for how we engage groups in finding connections and shared values, identifying, and meeting individual and collective needs, and repairing and transforming harm. The facilitators provide support and guidance, not through the lens of neutrality, but engaging in multi-partiality – a practice that facilitates access and equity. In this experiential session we will use circle practice to explore the philosophy, methodology and facilitation of restorative circles and their power to transform.



Nina Harris serves as the Restorative Resolution Coordinator in the IDHR Office. Nina facilitates adaptable resolution processes - such as facilitated dialogue, mediation, and restorative conferencing as alternative resolution pathways to investigation/adjudication for addressing concerns of bias, discrimination, harassment, and misconduct based on protected classes. Bringing the lens of restorative practice, she works to expand opportunities for holistic

solutions to individual and community harm beyond just disciplinary action. Nina has provided crisis and resource counseling for hundreds of survivors of gender-based interpersonal/sexual violence and identity-based harm and harassment. Her practice anchors around frameworks of anti-racism/anti-oppression, restorative/transformative justice, strength and resiliency building and trauma-informed praxis.



Duke Fisher is a trusted facilitator and mediator who facilitates meaningful conversation in schools, universities, and organizations worldwide. He is committed to building bridges to all of his participants and ensuring their needs are honored. Duke has been a New York State Certified Mediation Trainer since 1989. As a lead trainer for the University of San Diego Center for Restorative Justice, Duke frequently trains community agencies

and educational institutions in restorative practices that help build community, respond to incidents of crime or misconduct, and successfully reintegrate students after suspension.

SI-2 Emotional Availability in Group: Expanding the Capacity for **Intimacy in Group Members and Leaders**

Jeffrey Hudson, MEd, LPC, CGP, AGPA-F

As psychotherapists we routinely work with our patients' availability for emotional engagement. Our success depends, in part, on our own emotional availability. During this Special Institute, we will examine openness and resistance to emotional involvement in groups and discuss common sources of resistance for members and leaders. As we deepen our understanding of resistance, we can more readily welcome both positive and negative transferences. Additionally, we will explore Modern Psychoanalytic approaches to working with resistance, such as joining, emotional communication, and contact functioning.



Jeff Hudson has been a group psychotherapist in private practice in Austin, Texas for over 30 years. His practice includes solo and co-leadership of therapy and training groups in Austin, ongoing training groups in Nashville, and online groups of clinicians from a wide variety of backgrounds. Jeff is a graduate of the Center for Group Studies in New York, and a fellow of AGPA. He has served as President of the Austin Group Psychotherapy Society

and, for 14 years, as a Board Member of the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health, including two terms as the Vice Chair. A frequent presenter on group treatment locally and nationally, Jeff's training and consultation focuses on transference, countertransference, developing fluency with one's emotional experience, and helping clinicians achieve their professional goals.

Institute Opening Plenary -Tuesday, March 7, 8:00-9:00 AM ET

Finding Your Self in Group

Ronnie Levine, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F

For many years I have been studying love and hate and how to become comfortable with uncomfortable feelings with varying degrees of success in myself and with others. What I have learned is this: it is vital to develop an in tune, stable self, not only for our own sense of well-being, but for the sake of our relationships, for our clinical work, and for a healthy society. In the Institute Opening Plenary, I will underline the value of experiencing, expressing, and becoming comfortable with a range of feelings, including uncomfortable ones.



Ronnie Levine received her BS at Cornell University and her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology at the Derner Institute, Adelphi University. She is a clinical psychologist and an individual and group psychoanalyst. She has been a long-time member of AGPA and has presented many times at AGPA Connect. She was a Harvard Fellow at Mclean Hospital and a graduate of the New York University Postdoctoral

Program in Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis. Ronnie has been practicing for over 35 years in individual, couples and group psychotherapy and individual and group supervision. She has been influenced by Lou Ormont, Modern Psychoanalysis, Object Relations and Relational theories. She enjoys teaching and has been on a number of medical schools and group training program faculties and was the Director of the Psychology Internship at Rockland Psychiatric Center for 10 years. In 2004, Dr. Levine was awarded Fellow of AGPA. In 2011, Ronnie was honored by the Eastern Group Psychotherapy Society for her outstanding contributions to the field of group psychotherapy. Her group articles include, "Treating Idealized Hope and Hopelessness" (2007); Modern Psychoanalysis and Leslie Rosenthal (2008); Progressing While Regressing in Relationships (2011); A Modern Psychoanalytic Perspective on Group Therapy (2017) all published in the International Journal of Group Psychotherapy (IJGP).

The Two-Day Institute is designed for clinical professionals who meet the requirements of at least a Master's degree in a mental health profession and who have clinical psychotherapy experience. However, many sections of the Institute welcome psychiatric residents and graduate students in mental health degree programs as well as mental health workers who work in a range of human service settings. Please register for a section consistent with your experience.

The Institute is scheduled over two full days: Tuesday, March 7, 9:30 AM-5:30 PM and Wednesday, March 8, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM (Eastern). Registration will only be accepted for the full two days and registrants will be expected to attend both days, including the Institute Opening Plenary Session on Tuesday. Continuing Education credit will not be awarded for partial attendance. Devoted to small group experiential teaching, these two-day groups are led by carefully selected experienced instructors. The secure environment of these small groups allows for rich cognitive and emotional learning about group processes and oneself as well as an opportunity for personal and professional renewal. The Institute consists of two sections:

- General Process Group Experience Sections: These small groups provide participants an environment in which to obtain, expand, and retain their skills in conducting group therapy. The group psychotherapy skills gained are important in conducting any group, regardless of its theoretical orientation, time parameter or patient population. PGE sections are essential training and benefit the participants, both personally and professionally. A portion of each PGE will be didactic. Registration maximum of 8-10 registrations will be accepted per group.
- Specific Focus Process Group Experience Sections: These groups offer intensive learning about specific theories and approaches in group treatment. Registrants can pursue current interests in greater depth or learn ways of integrating new approaches and methods into their private practice, clinic, or agency work. Most of the Specific Interest Sections have extensive experiential components. Registration maximum (14-16 registrants) has been set by each instructor.

Observation and Evaluation: Institute sections will be observed by Institute Committee members. Registrants will be asked to complete evaluation questionnaires, designed to aid us in continuing to provide high quality meetings, upon conclusion of their attendance at events.

Continuing Education for Two-Day Institute Sections: 12.5 credits/1.25 units



Below are the listings of the two types of Institutes: Process Group Experiences (PGE) and Specific Interest Sections. The PGE participants acquire general therapy skills relevant to leading groups by participating in a process-oriented group. Specific Interest Sections offer participants a chance to explore a particular theme in greater depth or to learn a new theoretical approach. For Specific Interest Sections, previous participation in a PGE is recommended but not required. Members agree to attend the entire group, to participate actively, and to respect the privacy of the other members. After attending an Institute, participants will be able to identify various aspects of group process and dynamics. These groups provide an important opportunity for experiential learning and growth. Please Note: Dual relationships can hinder learning and could impact the experience for you and others. Those with dual relationships should consider NOT registering for the same Institute.

GENERAL PROCESS GROUP EXPERIENCE SECTIONS

I-A. GENERAL PROCESS GROUP EXPERIENCE **Entry Level**

Less than 4 years of group psychotherapy leadership experience Instructors:

- 1. Claudia Arlo, LCSW-R, CGP, AGPA-F
- 2. Paul Berkelhammer, MA, LMHC, CP, CGP
- 3. Rita Drapkin, PhD
- 4. Gaea Logan, LPC-S, CGP, AGPA-F
- 5. Leonardo (Leo) Leiderman, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F
- 6. Paul LePhuoc, PhD, CGP
- 7. Greg MacColl, LCSW, CGP, AGPA-F
- 8. Barry Wepman, PhD, CGP, AGPA-LF

Intermediate Level

4-9 years of group psychotherapy leadership experience Instructors:

- 9. John Caffaro, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F and Sophia Chang-Caffaro, PsyD, CGP
- 10. Carlos Canales, PsyD, CGP, AGPA-F
- 11. Phillip Horner, LCSW, CGP
- 12. Art Raisman, PhD, CGP
- 13. Marcee Turner, PhD, CGP

Advanced Level

10+ years of group psychotherapy leadership experience Instructors:

- 14. Shari Baron, MSN, CNS, CGP, LFAGPA
- 15. Robert Berley, PhD, CGP, AGPA-LF
- 16. Darryl Pure, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F
- 17. Robin Good, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F

I-B. PROCESS GROUP EXPERIENCE SECTION WITH MIXED **LEVELS OF EXPERIENCE**

Instructors:

- 1. Karin Bustamante, PsyD, LPC, CGP
- 2. Michelle Collins-Greene, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F
- 3. Donna Harris, MA, LCSW, CGP
- 4. Jennifer Joseph, PsyD, CGP

I-C. PROCESS GROUP EXPERIENCE SECTION FOR SENIOR **LEVEL THERAPISTS**

Limited to prior AGPA Institute instructors or registrants who have participated in four or more AGPA Institutes.

Instructor:

1. Cindy Miller Aron, MSW, CGP, AGPA-F

I-D. TWO-YEAR CONTINUOUS SECTION

Registration for this section assumes attendance at two consecutive **AGPA Connect Meetings.**

Instructors:

- 1. Michael Frank, MA, LMFT, CGP, AGPA-LF
- (This is the second year of this group; new participants will not be accepted.)
- 2. Jamie Moran, LCSW, CGP

(This is the first year of this group; new participants will be accepted.)

SPECIFIC FOCUS PROCESS GROUP EXPERIENCE **SECTIONS**

- Ancestors' Influence on Our Lives: An Exploration Through Group Process,
 - **Exercises and Epigenetics**
 - Elaine Cooper, LCSW, PhD, CGP, AGPA-DF
- Becoming Who We Are In Groups: A Jungian Approach to Group Psychotherapy III. Justin Hecht, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F
 - Being Bombarded Managing Existential Concerns by Staying Connected
- Maryetta Andrews-Sachs, LICSW, CGP, AGPA-F IV. Farooq Mohyuddin, MD, CGP, AGPA-F, FAPA
- Being With Each Other: Building Relationships in an Evolving and Diverse World Jeanne Bunker, LCSW, MSSW, CGP, AGPA-F
- Coming Alive: Vitalization, Deadness, and Unfolding in Group Process VI. Angelo Ciliberti, PsyD CGP AGPA-F
- **Cultivating Freedom and Pleasure in Group** VII.
- Alyson Stone, PhD, CGP
- Cultivating the Internal Secure Base: Treating Insecure Attachment in Group VIII. Therapy
 - Aaron Black, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F
 - Groups as Cultures of Liberation: Unpacking Intergenerational Trauma, Historical Trauma and Addiction
- Marcia Nickow, PsyD, CADC,CGP Joe Whitlock, BA, CADC, CGP
- Handle With Care: Intergenerational Trauma, Ambivalence, and Avoidance In **Group Dialogue**
- Karsten Kueppenbender, MD,CGP Mendel Horowitz, MS, CGP
- Leadership Development: Utilizing Group Therapy Skills in Corporate Culture Rick Tivers, LCSW,CGP
- Longing for Home: Past Attachments and Reparative Re-attachments in the Group Myrna L. Frank PhD, CGP
 - Love Thwarted/Love Bites: Enacting and Resolving Sado-Masochistic Dynamics in Group
- XIII Karen Goren, LCSW, CGP Judith Schaer, LCSW, CGP, AGPA-F, ATR
- Reconnecting Masculinity: Reworking the Terms of Manhood
- XIV. David Joseph Dumais, LCSW, CGP Craig Haen, PhD, RDT, CGP, LCAT, AGPA-F
 - Rupture and Repair in Relational Group Psychotherapy
- Haim Weinberg, PhD, AGPA-F, CGP Martha Gilmore, PhD, CGP, AGPA-LF
- Safety, Dignity and Belonging through Somatic Awareness in a Black, Brown,
- Indigenous and Other People of Color (BBIPOC) Group XVI. Kavita Avula, PsyD, CGP
 - Sean LeSane, MSW, LICSW, CGP

 - Shall We Meet Again? Working with Deadened Self States Through Vitalizing **Enactments**
- Sharon Sagi Berg, MA,CGP Ido Peleg, MD,CGP
- Social Identities, Power and Privilege: How Difference is Essential for Group XVIII. Cohesion
 - Paul Gitterman LICSW
- Systems-Centered Training (SCT): Developing Groups that Transform Our Social XIX. **Brains**
 - Susan Gantt, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-DF

VIRTUAL EVENT

XVII.

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- Joseph Acosta, MA, CGP, AGPA-F
 - Katie Griffin, MA, LPC, CGP, AGPA-F

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The Conference is held on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, March 9-11 and includes courses, open sessions, limited registration workshops and special presentations on a variety of topics.

Conference Opening Plenary -Thursday, March 9, 8:15-9:30 AM ET

Embracing the Other: The Fundamental Work of a Working Group

Rev. Ronald Hopson, PhD

This presentation is focused upon the resistance to diversity manifest in "othering." The denial of death is offered as a means for understanding the persistence of "othering" and the possibilities for overcoming "othering." Perspectives are offered on the costs of "othering" and how embracing the other, though portending death of the familiar well bounded self, may both support vitality (Bion: passion), and protect against the self/other destructiveness, and despair at the root of much scapegoating, "othering" and bigotry.



Ronald Hopson is a licensed Clinical Psychologist. He is a graduate of Indiana University and Michigan State University. He completed the pre-doctoral internship at Northwestern University Medical School and attended Garrett-Evangelical Theological seminary at Northwestern University. He currently holds a joint faculty appointment in the School of Divinity and the Department of Psychology at Howard University. He has served as Interim

Associate Dean in the School of Divinity, and as Director of Clinical Training in the Department of Psychology. He teaches courses on Group and Individual Psychotherapy, the Psychology of Religion, Pastoral Care, and Sexuality and Race. He is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and has served in pastoral positions in churches in the Washington, D.C. area. Ronald received training in Tavistock model group relations at Northwestern University. He also worked extensively with M. Scott Peck and the Foundation for Community Encouragement, conducting large and small groups on diversity, inclusion, conflict management and resolution, and intergroup relations. He is currently on the Group faculty of the Washington School of Psychiatry and a member of the Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Culture at the Washington School. Ronald has presented his professional work at national and international conferences. Ronald has published in the areas of Psychotherapy, Alcoholism, Christian Fundamentalism, Pastoral Care, Sexuality and the Black church, and Theology and Race. He is completing a book with two colleagues on theology and sexuality. His most current research is on the psychological implications of atonement theology.

Anne & Ramon Alonso Plenary -Friday, March 10, 8:15-9:30 AM ET

Large Group Identity Issues, Political Leader-Followers Interactions and Social Well-Being

Vamik Volkan, MD, DFLAPA, FACPsa

In this presentation, Dr. Vamik Volkan will answer the question "Why War?" with new psychological knowledge related to the personality organizations of political leaders, the inflammation of the shared images of ancestors' traumatic pasts and the dehumanization of the Others. By Large Group, he means the tens, hundreds of thousands, or millions of individuals, most of whom will never meet, and identify with each other through their ethnicity, religion, nationality, or ideology. Their identity with each other is defined as Large Group Identity and is the subjective experience of multitudes of people who are linked by a persistent sameness while also sharing some characteristics with others who belong to foreign groups. The reparative leader tries to increase the followers' narcissistic investment in large-group identity without



malignantly devaluing or hurting Others. A destructive leader aims to enhance or modify the large-group's identity by oppressing or even destroying an opposing or devalued large group. In this vein, he will refer to the invasion of Ukraine.

Vamik Volkan is an Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Virginia; an Emeritus Training and Supervising

Analyst at the Washington Baltimore Center for Psychoanalysis and an Emeritus Senior Erik Erikson Scholar at the Erikson Institute of the Austen Riggs Center. He is the Emeritus President of the International Dialogue Initiative and a former President of the Turkish-American Neuropsychiatric Society, the International Society of Political Psychology, the Virginia Psychoanalytic Society and the American College of Psychoanalysts. He was also a board member of the Freud Foundation in Vienna and a member of the Working Group on Terror and Terrorism, International Psychoanalytic Association. Vamik is the author, coauthor, editor or coeditor of over 60 psychoanalytic and psychopolitical books. He has written hundreds of published papers and book chapters. He is a recipient of the Nevitt Sanford, Elise Hayman, Bryce Boyer, Hans Strupp, Sigmund Freud (given by the city of Vienna), Mary Sigourney and the Gradiva 2021 Best Book awards and the Margaret Mahler Literature Prize. He was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize five times; letters of support were sent from twenty-seven countries

Mitchell Hochberg Memorial Public Education Event -Saturday, March 11, 8:15-9:15 AM ET

Navigating the Trance of Group Delusion: Connecting the Climate and **Community Dots**

Renée Lertzman, PhD

Confronting climate change - as well as the intersection of justice, equity, biodiversity and ecological concerns - is daunting for us as humans. The dots between human health, climate change, and mental health are now connecting in vivid ways. What are the conditions that can enable us to truly face, and engage meaningfully with what is at stake? In this session, we look at the integral role of mental health clinicians and particularly group work, in fostering "islands of sanity" for processing and facing these difficult realities, so we can move into an uncertain future with capacity and courage.



Renée Lertzman is a researcher, educator and eco-engagement strategist who uses psychological insights to change our approach to the environmental crisis. Applying her training as a psychosocial researcher specializing in deep human insights, she uses frameworks and methods that empower people to take action and create impact on climate and sustainability issues. She works with companies and organizations looking to strengthen

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climate and sustainability initiatives, develop more effective campaigns, and harness the creativity and innovation needed to solve big problems.



EVENT FORMATS

COURSES: These courses are designed to cover a variety of topics in-depth. One-Day Courses meet in two sections for one full day. Participants must attend all sessions in order to receive continuing education credits. Course manuals are available for purchase in advance in the AGPA online store.

Continuing Education: One-Day: 5.0 credits/.5 units

HALF-DAY OPEN SESSIONS: These meetings will be presented in a variety of formats, including panels, papers and demonstrations. Audience participation and exchange with the presenters is encouraged.

Continuing Education: 2.5 credits/.25 units

ONE-HOUR OPEN SESSIONS: These presentations and discussions will be presented on specialized areas of interest for the group therapist on Friday afternoon.

Continuing Education: 1.0 credit/.1 unit

WORKSHOPS: All-day and half-day meetings provide a context in which participants exchange information among themselves and with the chairperson. These meetings are designed for varying levels of experience including master workshops for senior clinicians and usually include both didactic and experiential learning. Check designations for beginning and master levels (for senior clinicians).

Continuing Education: All-day: 5.0 credits/.6 units; Half-day: 2.5 credits/ .25 units

90-MINUTE EVENTS: These sessions will be presented as open sessions and workshops on Friday afternoon..

Continuing Education: 1.5 credits/.15 units

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7:00-8:00 AM	201	When the Group is Stuck in NOTHINGNESS (A Suggestion for a 7th Basic Assumption) Daphna Bahat, MA			
	202	The Therapeutic Inclusion Program: Groups in School Laura Balogh, Med; Michael Murray, LMHC, MEd	N/L		
	203	Playing in Prison: Group Therapy Using Play for Self-Repair with Prison Populations Kevin Hull, PhD, CGP	N/L		
Virtual Event 7:00-8:00 AM	204v	DBT and Modern Group Analysis Claudia Arlo, LCSW-R, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L		
Conference Opening Plenary Session	Session #	Title & Presenter	Instructional Level		
8:15-9:30 AM	P-TH	Embracing the Other: The Fundamental Work of a Working Group Rev. Ronald Hopson, PhD	N/L		
All-Day Courses	Session #	Title & Presenter			
10:00 AM-12:30 PM &	C1	Core Principles of Group Psychotherapy Part II Mikhail Bogomaz, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F; Karen Cone-Uemura, PhD, CGP; Annie Weiss, LICSW, CGP, AGPA-F; Tevya Zukor, PhD, LCP, CGP			
2:30-5:00 PM	C2	Integrative Group CBT Greg Crosby, MA, LPC, ICGP, AGPA-F			
All-Day Workshops		Title & Presenter			
	1a	Longing to Belong: Exploring Barriers to Connection and Closeness Allan Sheps, MSW, RSW, CGP, FCGPA; Joan-Dianne Smith, MSW, RSW, FCGPA	4+		
10:00 AM-12:30 PM &	2a	Therapists as Racial Beings Leading Groups with People of Color Across the Lifespan Robin Dean, PsyD, MSEd; Kathleen Isaac, PhD, CGP; Archandria Owens, PhD; Rachelle Rene, PhD, BCB, HSMI, CGP			
2:30-5:00 PM	3a	Mentalizing in Groups: A Creative Experience Valorie George, LCSW, CGP; Jennifer Markey, PhD, MEd, CGP			
	4a	Decodir CANCELLED ing the Core Blueprints for Immediacy in Group Psychotherapy Khleber CANCELLED ing the Core Blueprints for Immediacy in Group Psychotherapy Khleber CANCELLED ing the Core Blueprints for Immediacy in Group Psychotherapy	N/L		

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Morning Open Sessions (2.5 Hour Open Sessions)	Session #	Title & Presenter	Instructional Level		
	301	Ouch. I Wish I Had(n't) Said That!": Common Group Therapist Mistakes and How To Repair Them Aziza Belcher-Platt, PhD; Oona Metz, LICSW, CGP, AGPA-F; Janice Morris, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F; Joseph Shay, PhD, CGP, AGPA-LF	N/L		
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	302	Dutch Design: Growing Resilience and Compassion in Group Therapy; Group Dynamic Theory and a Learning Lab Anne-Marie Claassen, MSc; Willem de Haas, MSc, NVP, NVGP; Charles Huffstadt, MSC; Silvia Pol, MA; Laura van Groenendael, MD	N/L		
	303	Beyond the Gender Binary: Group Work with Trans and Gender Diverse Clients Natalie Haziza, PhD; Capi Landreneau, MSW, LCSW-BACS, CGP; Ari Pehkonen, LICSW, MSW; Charles Zeng, MA, LMFT, LPCC, CGP; Katherine "Kat" Zwick, MA, LPCC, CGP	N/L		
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Virtual Event 10:00 AM-12:30 PM	11V		N/L		
	12		N/L		
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	13	Interventions	4+		
Virtual Event 10:00 AM-12:30 PM	14V	Back to the Future: How Clients Move Along Time in the Four-Step Model of Group Psychotherapy Mohamed Taha; Jehan Elturky, MSc; Refaat Mahfouz Mahmoud, MBBCh, MD; Mohamed Ayman Abdel- Hameed, MD,PhD; Hoda Refaat Mahfouz, MSc	N/L		

Lunch Break - 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

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Afternoon Open Sessions (2.5 Hour Open Sessions)	Session #	Title & Presenter	Instructional Level		
,	304	This Other World: Identity and Difference in Group Psychotherapy Sophia Aguirre, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F; Francis Kaklauskas, PsyD,AGPA-F,CGP; Miguel Lewis, PsyD, CGP, ABPP; Shunda McGahee, MD, CGP; David Songco, PsyD, LP, CGP	N/L		
2:30-5:00 PM	305	Group - A Modern Analytic Video Training Series John Caffaro, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F; Elliot Zeisel, PhD, LCSW, AGPA-DF	N/L		
	306	Women and Aggression: History, Healing and Power Shemika Brooks, PsyD, CGP; Jeanne Bunker, MSSW, CGP, AGPA-F; Elizabeth Olson, PsyD, LCSW, CGP; Alexandra (Sasha) Watkins, LMHC, EdD Candidate, ABD	N/L		
Afternoon Workshops (2.5 Hour Workshops)	Session #	Title & Presenter	Exp Level		
	15	Uniting Groups by Working Through Destructive Anti-Group Tendencies Rena Pollak, LMFT, CGP	N/L		
	16	Surfacing Hidden Financial Trauma in Group in a Nanosecond Jennifer Joseph, PsyD, CGP; Richard Kahler, MS, CFP®, CFT-I™, CeFT®			
	17	Creatively Tracking the Stages of Group Development Through Art Deborah Sharp, LCSW-S, CGP, AGPA-F			
	18	Am I My Siblings Keeper? An Exploration of Sibling Dynamics and How They Influence the People We Become and the Roles that We Take in Groups Brett Kociol; Yair Kramer, PsyD, CGP; Terri Lipkin, PsyD; Benjamin Mueller, PsyD, CGP			
2:30-5:00 PM	19	Integrating Group Analysis and Modern Group Theory Joan Coll, MD			
	20	The Power and Effectiveness of Psychodrama: Using Action Techniques in Process Group Psychotherapy Sue Barnum, MA, LPCC, CGP, TEP; Shelley Firestone, MD, AGPA-F, CGP, CP, PAT	N/L		
	21	Re-visioning Group Psychotherapy for Parents & Youth Through a Multi-Cultural and Anti-Racist Lens: The ParentCircle Model David Flohr, PhD, CGP			
	22	A Circle of Men: Developing and Sustaining Men's Interpersonal Process Groups Andrew Susskind, LCSW, SEP, CGP	N/L		
	23	Compassion Focused Therapy in College Counseling Centers Kristina Hansen, PhD, CGP; Klinton Hobbs, PhD; Natalie Kirtley, PhD; Hiu Wai Yoko Caldwell, PhD			
Virtual Event 2:30-5:00 PM	24v	Your Professional Will: The Ethical Care of Your Practice and Yourself Ann Steiner, PhD, MFT, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L		
6:00-7:30 PM		Membership Community Meeting Presiding: Gary Burlingame, PhD, CGP, AGPA-DF, AGPA President			

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	LG-2	Large Group in Transition Joshua DeSilva, PsyD, CGP (lead), Diana Casaneda, MA, LCPC, Jackie Darby, PsyD, CGP; Kathleen Isaac, PhD, CGP	N/L			
	205	The Oneness Framework: Getting to Know MeGetting to Know You Paula De Franco, MBA, PhD	N/L			
7:00-8:00 AM	206	Inspired Integration: Harnessing Your Creativity to Develop New Group Experiences Matthew Tomatz, MA, LPC, LAC, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L			
	207	SPACE Treatment Groups for Parents- A Promising Approach to the Treatment of Anxiety in Children and Adolescents Thomas Hurster, MSS, LCSW, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L			
Virtual Event 7:00-8:00 AM	208v	Somatic Embodiment in Group Psychotherapy Boaz Feldman	N/L			
Anne & Ramon Alonso Plenary Session						
8:15-9:30 AM	P-FR	Large Group Identity Issues, Political Leader-Followers Interactions and Social Well-Being Vamik Volkan, MD, DLAPA, FACPsa	N/L			
All-Day Courses		Title & Presenters	Exp Level			
10:00 AM-12:30 PM &	C3	Psychodrama: The Magic of Growth and Change Shelley Firestone, MD, CGP, CP, PAT, AGPA-F; Guy Taylor, PhD, LICDC, LPCC				
2:30-5:00 PM	C4-1	DBT from a Group Therapist Perspective (Day One) Stacy Graves, PhD; Amy Black, PhD, CGP; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, MHA, CGP, ABPP				
All-Day Workshops		Title & Presenters	Exp Level			
	25a	Work Smarter Not Harder: Building a Thriving Practice Jill Lewis, MA, LCSW, CEDS-S, CGP; Lisa Wolcott, MSW, LCSW, CGP, CDWF	N/L			
10:00 AM-12:30 PM & 2:30-5:00 PM	26a	An Expressive Arts Therapy Journey: An Individual and Group Experience Through Creative Connection Between Arts Modalities, Oneself, and Other Daniella Bassis, PsyD; Marcia Honig, PsyD; Orit Even Shoshan - Reshef, PsyD; Idit Tevet, PsyD				
	27a	Dungeons and Therapy: A Theoretical Justification for Tabletop Roleplaying Group Therapy for Interpersonal Growth Vincent Malik Dehili, PhD, CGP, ABPP; Matt King, PhD; Meara Thombre, PhD				
Virtual Event 10:00 AM-12:30 PM & 2:30-5:00 PM	28av	The Psycho-Social Citizenship Dream Group as a Generative Pathway to Reflective and Deliberative Citizenship George Bermudez, PhD, PsyD	N/L			
Morning Open Sessions (2.5 Hour Open Sessions)		Title & Presenters	Instruction Level			
	307	When the Individual Therapist is also the Group Leader: The Challenges and Benefits of Combined Treatment Maryetta Andrews-Sachs, LICSW, CGP, AGPA-F; Aaron Black, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F; Justin Hecht, PhD, CJA, CGP, AGPA-F; Kenji Kuramitsu, LCSW, M.Div; Annie Weiss, LICSW, CGP, AGPA-F; Ellen Wright, PhD, NCPsyA	N/L			
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	200	Group Psychotherapy Research for Practitioners Gary Burlingame, PhD, CGP, AGPA-DF; Gabriel Hoose; Joseph Miles, PhD; Tate Paxton; Steven Sandage; Giorgio Tasca, PhD				
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	308					

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	29	"Talkin' 'Bout My Generation": Exploring Intergenerational Dynamics in Group Shemika Brooks; Jacquelin Darby, PsyD, CGP	N/L			
	30	100 Unconventional Interventions in Group Psychotherapy Robert Pepper, LCSW , PhD, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L			
	31	A "Race" toward Understanding: Neuroscience and Instinctual Bias Lorraine Wodiska, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F, FABPP	N/L			
10.00 AM 12.20 DM	32	Managing Client Suicide Risk for Group Therapists Tony Sheppard, PsyD, CGP, AGPA-F				
10:00 AM-12:30 PM	33	Life Staging® – Using Group Sculpting for Creative Supervision and Group Work Elisabet Wollsén, MSc	N/L			
	34	Promoting our colleagues' wellbeing: Group work during the pandemic with healthcare providers Molyn Leszcz, MD, FRCPC, CGP, AGPA-DF	N/L			
	35	Working with Aggression in Group Therapy: A Modern Analytic Approach Laura Kasper, PhD, CGP; Shanon Sitkin, MA, LMFT, CGP				
	36	Present Centered Group Therapy for Trauma: Embracing Today and Reimagining Tomorrow Daniel Gross, LICSW; Barbara Niles, PhD; William Unger, PhD; Melissa Wattenberg				
		Lunch Break - 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM				
Afternoon Open Sessions (1.5 Hour Open Sessions)		Title & Presenters	Instructiona Level			
·	209-5	Support Group During Ukraine Crisis Mikhail Bogomaz, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F; Irina Derkacheva, MPS, LCAT, ATR-BC; Olga Fridman, LCSW, CGP, CCTP; Nadia Greenspan, LCPC, NCC, CGP; Tamara Roth, MS, CADC				
	210-5	Becoming The Toronto Institute of Group Studies Aida Cabecinha, Reg. OT (Ont.) Dip.CGPA, FCGPA; Susan Farrow, HBA, B.Sc.(O.T.), O.T. Reg (Ont), FCGPA; Maureen Mahan, MEd, BA, RN; Allan Sheps, MSW, RSW, CGP, FCGPA; Terry Simonik, Med	N/L			
2:30-4:00 PM	211-5	Training, Clinical Supervision, & Teaching: Preparing the "New Generation" of Therapists on How to Run Adolescent Groups Leah Niehaus, LCSW, CGP	N/L			
	212-5	Evidence-based Group Treatment Website: A Resource for Group Clinicians and the Public Gary Burlingame, PhD, CGP, AGPA-DF; Bernhard Strauss, PhD				
	213-5	Roles and Strategies for Group Coordinators in University Counseling Centers and Other Settings Kristina Hansen, PhD, CGP; Niki Keating, PhD, CGP; Markie Silverman, PhD, LP	N/L			
Afternoon Workshops 1.5 Hour Workshops)		Title & Presenters	Exp Level			
	37-5	Dungeons & Dragons therapy Groups: Therapeutic Application of Tabletop Role Playing Games in College Counseling Centers Samuel Chun	N/L			
2:30-4:00 PM	38-5	Integrating One's Own Spiritual/Religious Journey with Training, Supervision, and Leading Group Therapy Lorraine Mangione, PhD	N/L			
	39-5	Embracing Connection and Wellbeing: A Curriculum Based Group for Medical Residents Brenda Boatswain, PhD, CGP	N/L			

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Virtual Event 2:30-4:00 PM	40-5v	Virtual Teen Groups: 8 Virtual Interventions to Promote Connection, Awareness, and Process the Here and Now More Effectively Sara Schreiber, LCSW	4+		
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Evening Open Sessions (1.5 Hour Open Sessions)		Title & Presenters	Instructional Level		
	213-5	Roles and Strategies for Group Coordinators in University Counseling Centers and Other Settings Kristina Hansen, PhD, CGP; Niki Keating, PhD, CGP; Markie Silverman, PhD, LP	N/L		
4:30-6:00 PM	214-5	Plentiful, Enough and None-At-All: Case Examples of Resource Allocation to Group Psychotherapy Training in Psychiatry Residency Seamus Bhatt-Mackin, MD, FAPA, CGP, AGPA-F; Niloufar Farid, MBBS; Syeda Razia "Ray" Haider, MD; Mariam Rahmani, MD; Joseph Wise, MD, CGP			
	215-5	Rolling for Recovery: Therapeutically Applied Role-Playing Game Group Therapy Allison T. Battles, PhD, LP; Robert Curland, PhD; Thomas Quinlan, PhD			
	216-5	The Power of Experiential Group Supervision When a Ukrainian Member Faces Russian Invasion Kavita Avula, PsyD, CGP; Polina Udodenko, Mpsych	N/L		
Evening Workshops (1.5 Hour Workshops)		Title & Presenters	Exp Level		
	41-5	Hindsight is 2020: Reflecting on Connect 2020 and the pandemic Lindsey Randol, PsychD, LPC	N/L		
4:30-6:00 PM	42-5	Creating Safe Spaces for Marginalized Populations at University Counseling Centers and Other Settings Markie Silverman, PhD, LP; Olivia Scott, PhD	N/L		
	43-5	Rehearsing a Future with Recovering Addicts from Compulsive Abuse to Creative Relationship Sigal Flint, MA; Rinat Kedmi Rinski, MA	N/L		
Virtual Event 4:30-6:00 PM	44-5v	Working with Diverse Personalities, Experiences and Modalities Using Process Group Dynamics to Cultivate Emotionally Creative Communities Elizabeth Stahl, MA	N/L		
6:30-7:45 PM		Memorial Session A time to commemorate members of the AGPA family we have lost this past year.			
9:00 PM		Group Foundation Dance Party: DJ Tendryl			

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7:00-8:00 AM	217	To Treat or to TeachThe Clinical and Ethical Consequences of Dual Relationships at Group Psychoanalytic Training Institutes Robert Pepper, PhD, LCSW, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L				
	218	Group Approaches to Sexual Behavior Dysregulation and Erotic Conflicts Adam Fisher, PhD, ABPP; Adam Scalese, PhD; Kersti Spjut, PhD					
	219	Finding Common Ground in Divergent Approaches to SUD Treatment Greg Greer, MSW, LAC, CGP; Rivkah Lapidus, PhD, LMHC, CGP; Barney Straus, MSW, MA, AGPA-F, CGP	N/L				
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8:15-9:15 AM	P-Sa	Navigating the Trance of Group Delusion: Connecting the Climate and Community Dots Renée Lertzman, PhD	N/L				
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All-Day Workshops		Title & Presenters	Exp Level				
9:30 AM-12:00 Noon & 2:00-4:30 PM	45a	Exploring Interpersonal Sub-Types in Focused Brief Group Therapy: How to Maximize Outcomes and Minimize Harm Martyn Whittingham, PhD, AGPA-F	N/L				
	46a	From Narrativity to Self-Discovery Richard Billow, PhD, ABPP, CGP					
	47a	Integrating ISTDP into Modern Analytic Training Groups to Deepen Experiential Learning William Watson, PhD					
	48a	Addictions: Disorders of Self-Regulation Stacy Nakell, LCSW, CGP	N/L				
Morning Open Sessions (2.5 Hour Open Sessions)		Title & Presenters	Instructional Level				
	310	Louis R. Ormont Event: Humility and Transparency in the Group Leader Ellen Wright, PhD	N/L				
9:30 AM-12:00 Noon	311	Tabletop & Therapy (TNT): Dungeons and Dragons Based Group Intervention for Adolescents with Anxiety and Social Skills Deficits Robin Dean, PsyD, MSEd; Anthony Gobbo, MD; Vincent Wong, MD	N/L				
Virtual Event 9:30 AM-12:00 Noon	312v	Violence, Systemic Racism and Trauma in America: The Impact on Groups and Communities Leonardo (Leo) Leiderman, PsyD, ABPP, FAACP, CGP, AGPA-F; Robert Klein, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-DF; Rachelle Rene, PhD, BCB, HSMI, CGP; Suzanne Phillips, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-DF	N/L				
Morning Workshops (2.5 Hour Workshops)		Title & Presenters	Exp Level				
	49	Difficult People, Defensive Process, and Countertransference: Using the Unique Properties of Group Kenneth Pollock, PhD, CGP	4+				
0.20 4M 42.00 No.	50	RACE RELATIONS writ small Robert Hsiung, MD; Teresa Lee, MD	N/L				
9:30 AM-12:00 Noon	51	When Worlds Collide!: Navigating Dual Relationships in Training Settings Gianna Viola, LCSW-S, CGP; Christine Winston, LCSW-S	N/L				
	52	The Spirituality of the Here-and-Now Wayne Ayers, PhD	N/L				

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	53	Group Process and the Creation of a More Peaceful and Loving Community through Mutual Understanding and Meditational Consciousness Allen Levy, PhD, LCSW, NcPsya, CGP	N/L		
	54	LGBTQ+ Providers' Affinity Group Angelynn Hermes, MSW, LCSW, CGP; Jordyn Serwin, MA, AMFT; Charles Zeng, MA, LMFT, CGP	N/L		
9:30 AM-12:00 Noon	55	The Rules of Engagement: Applying Couple Therapy Techniques to Group Lee Kassan, MA, LP, LMHC, CGP, AGPA-LF	N/L		
	56	Knowledge, Empathy, and Action: Addressing Racial Equity in the Workplace Through Group Work Christina Douyon, PhD; Amanda Weber, PhD	N/L		
	57	Bringing Shared Fun and Adventure to Therapy Groups Through Using Team Building Activities Barney Straus, MSW, MA, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L		
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Afternoon Open Sessions (2.5 Hour Open Sessions)		Title & Presenters	Instructional Level		
,	313	The Mystery and Charm of Online Training Process Groups for Therapists Carlos Canales, PsyD, CGP, SEP, AGPA-F; Martha Gilmore, PhD, CGP, AGPA-LF; Nathaniel Page, PhD, CGP; Haim Weinberg, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F	N/L		
2:00-4:30 PM	314	Chaos, Terror, Rage, Despair: Groups as Agents for Harmony Amid the Collective Traumas of COVID-19, War, Systemic Racism, Mass Shootings, and Political Upheaval Stephanie Friedman, MD; Rachael Kaplan, LMSW; Nelly Katsnelson, MD, CGP; Marcia Nickow, PsyD, CADC, CGP			
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	58	Out of this World and Into Group: Using Group-as-a-Whole to Build Community and Cohesion Nancy Wesson, PhD, CGP, AGPA-F	10+		
	59	"Container-Contained": Exploring Bion's Theory in a Group Setting Carolyn Ehrlich, LCSW-R, CGP	N/L		
	60	The Role of a Time-Limited Psychoeducational Group on Shame as a Feeder for Process Groups Carmen Burlingame, LCSW	N/L		
	61	Trauma-Informed Principles in Group Work, Psychodrama, and Leadership Scott Giacomucci, DSW, LCSW, BCD, CGP, FAAETS, TEP	N/L		
2:00-4:30 PM	62	"Hall of Mirrors" Revisited: Psychotherapeutic Playback Theatre as Group Analytic Drama Therapy Ronen Kowalsky, MA			
	63	Integrating Mindfulness Meditation within Racial and Social Justice: A Group Wellness Model Mansi Brat, PhD, CGP; Michael Buxton, PhD, MFT	N/L		
	64	Lacerations: How Group Agitates Early Wounds Tzachi Slonim, PhD, ABPP, CGP			
	65	Shame and Pain: Addressing the Sticking and Breaking Points that Inhibit the Anti-Racist Practice We Proclaim Aziza Belcher-Platt, PhD; Craig Haen, PhD, RDT, CGP, LCAT, AGPA-F	N/L		
	66	Using Restorative Groups to Build Community within Juvenile Justice Settings Ashley Powell, MS, PhD, CGP	10+		
Virtual Event 2:00-4:30 PM	67v	Fear of Falling Apart: Therapist Reactions to Group Member Terminations Alissa Kimmell, LCSW,CGP	N/L		

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