

Kramer-Mahler Lecture

The Development of the "False Object" and Transformation in Mental Representations

Friday, January 25, 2019

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

EVENT DESCRIPTION: This presentation will make use of a unique set of data about an adult psychotherapy patient across her life span and within three generations. The adult patient, as a child, and her mother were studied at Mahler's Masters Children's Center using observational notes, interviews, and psychological testing. Follow-up study included videos and detailed assessments of the patient, her mother, and her daughter. There will be a focus on the intergenerational transmission of defenses for managing affects within the context of attachment. Process from the patient's adult psychotherapy will link early relationships to the present, especially how aggression influences defense and memory. This is an unusual opportunity to evaluate central constructs of Mahler's work and their relationship to contemporary perspectives. A focus will also be on the role of the parent in the development of the "false object," in contrast to Winnicott's "false self."

PRESENTER: Wendy Olesker, PhD

Dr. Olesker is a Training and Supervising Analyst at the New York Psychoanalytic Institute and is on the Faculty at the NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy. She is a Senior Editor of *The Psychoanalytic Study of the Child* and is on the Editorial Board of *The International Journal of Psychoanalysis*.

DISCUSSANTS: Ruth Fischer, MD; Fayez El-Gabalawi, MD

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An optional dinner will be held at Rockland at 6:00 pm before the forum.

The dinner is \$25 (\$20 for PCOP trainees).

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the end of this program, participants will be able to:

1. Articulate the process of development and transmission of coping mechanisms, specifically as they relate to aggression across generations.
2. Describe the development of internalized "false objects" and the implications for the creation of character pathology and its treatment.
3. Describe clinical correlations with Margaret Mahler's theories regarding separation and individuation, mode of attachment, formation and transformation of internal representations.

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