

EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2009

- 6:00p - 6:30 Registration
- 6:30 - 8:30 Overview of Group Relations Work, the Dynamics of the Large Group Experience, the Experience of Otherness, Alterity and the Large Group

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2009

- 9:00a - 10:15 Here and Now I
Break
- 10:45 - 12:00 Here and Now II
- 12:00p-1:30 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:30 - 2:45 Here and Now III
Break
- 3:15 - 4:30 Here and Now IV
Break
- 5:00 - 6:30 Review and Discussion
- 6:30 - 7:00 Social and Book Table

All Sessions will be held at:

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FALL 2009 TAVISTOCK EVENT

THE LARGE
GROUP: ALTERITY
AND THE EXPERIENCE
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7 CEUs will be provided for Social Workers,
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THE LARGE GROUP: ALTERITY AND THE EXPERIENCE OF THE OTHER

Large Groups: Large groups function, psychologically, socially and logistically very differently than small- and medium-sized groups. Threats to members' sense of individuality and cognitive functioning, as well as sub-grouping and diversity dynamics all can take on heightened dimensions. Yet, there are few opportunities to purposefully experience and train in this format.

The Tavistock Method: Group dynamics from the Tavistock, or Group Relations, tradition places particular importance on understanding and utilizing large group formats to learn about non-traditional authority and leadership, scapegoating, diversity, power, privilege, role, and task dynamics. This is done primarily through participatory or experiential learning opportunities. This is also done by focusing attention on the Group-As-a-Whole, instead of on the individual members of the group.

"In the treatment of the individual, neurosis is displayed as problem of the individual. In the treatment of a group it must be displayed as a problem of the group." - W. R. Bion

Alterity and the Experience of the Other: Alterity, the experience of the other, is a concept that is fundamental to psychological theory. It means the state or quality of being "other" or not being of the self. It is likely that there are multiple forms of alterity and that these various forms, along with qualities that are attributed to self and other are affected by multiple variables: developmental, cultural, social and situational. In addition it is likely that individuals migrate from one condition of alterity to another, depending on these many factors. Conditions of "radical alterity" and "radical totalization" represent polar ends of a continuum of alterities, and these seem to be related to trauma, insofar as these conditions of alterity are both in and of themselves potentially traumatic and, furthermore, constitute aspects of the reactions individuals and social systems marshal in order to defend against trauma. One's being itself, and by extension, one's social system, thus stand in a paradoxical relationship towards the Other. On the one hand, the Other is often seen as a threat to one's being, on the other hand one's being, without the other, is impossible.

"...The Ego needs the Thou in order to become a Self..." Otto Rank

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