

# THE WASHINGTON BALTIMORE CENTER FOR PSYCHOANALYSIS, INC.

## Lacan's Heresy

October 27 - October 28, 2017

Friday, October 27 @ 6:00-8:30 PM  
Saturday, October 28 @ 9:00-11:30 AM

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According to Freud, civilization began the first time an angry person cast a word instead of a rock. From that moment forward, words became what divided us from all other sentient beings, but also divided us from ourselves. Without them, we would be unable to think. We are simultaneously affected, and constituted, by language. Everything that we think of as manifestations of the unconscious – free associations, symptoms, slips of the tongue, jokes, dreams – are language. As Lacan pointed out, symptoms have the structure of metaphors, much as desire has the structure of a metonym. Like Levi-Strauss did with anthropology, Saussure with linguistics, and Foucault with philosophy, Lacan saw a parallel in the structure of language, which he introduced to psychoanalysis. The unconscious is also structured as a language. He continued to develop his ideas with contributions from topology, logic, and mathematics (all of which are language as well).

In 1953, in his famous “Return to Freud,” Lacan reclaimed the talking cure. The lesson that Bertha Pappenheim taught us cannot be ignored: we need to listen to our patients’ signifiers, exactly as Freud was demanded to do. Lacan immerses himself thoroughly in Freud’s writings and brings revolutionary perspectives to our clinical practice. This seminar will allow us to step into this fascinating universe, following the teachings and the writings of these two geniuses. We will be making explicit the connections between their works, and presenting some of the pillars of the formation of the I, such as The Mirror Stage, and Lacan’s “heresy”: a homophony of the Real, Symbolic, and Imaginary.

**Objectives** Participants will be able to:

- describe what Lacan’s conception of the Mirror Stage is and how it operates in the construction of the “I.”
- explain the psychic apparatus (Real-Symbolic-Imaginary) described by Lacan to support the constitution and dimensions of the subject.
- distinguish the differences between the Psychic Apparatus used by Freud and Lacan.
- define some of the algebra used by Lacan, such as (SSS) Subject Supposed to Know, (A) Other.

Location:

Washington Baltimore Center of Psychoanalysis  
2120 L St. NW 6th Floor  
Wiener Room  
Washington, DC 20037

Suggested Readings:

Introduction to Narcissism, S. Freud (1914)  
Interpretation of the Dreams, Chapter 7 - S. Freud (1900)

Registration:

\$15 – Full/Life/Active Life/Voting (4 CME/CE credits)  
\$30 – all others (4 CME/CE credits)

Deadline for registration: October 20, 2017

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