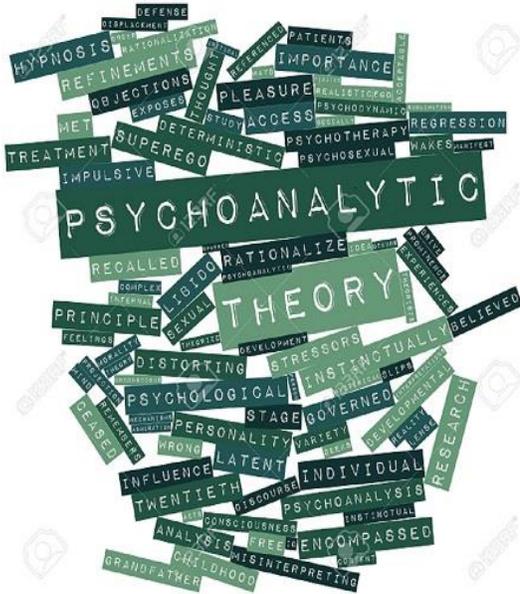


## Presents

## WHAT'S NEW IN PSYCHOANALYTIC THEORY? IS IT RELEVANT?



Susann Wolff, Ph.D.

Saturday May 12, 2018

Registration & Continental Breakfast: 9:00 – 9:30am

Lecture and Discussion: 9:30am – 3:45pm

Mountain Oyster Club  
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### Program Description

As a philosophical-psychoanalytic introduction to the day, Susann Wolff will discuss how we can imagine free thinking while being convinced that we are determined by the unconscious.

Outgoing from her last book, Susann Wolff will then link new psychoanalytic concepts to some contemporary ideas about forms of sexuality in order to better understand trans-gender phenomena. From a traditional psychoanalytic perspective such sexualities can only be considered as pathological. However, because of our clinical experience with transgender people, we do not agree automatically with such an evaluation. We then have two options. We can get “pragmatic” and renounce these “strong” theories or we can submit some of our psychoanalytic key-concepts, such as the classical oedipal complex and genital sexuality, to constructive criticism. We will see that this attempt allows us to take part in the “me too” debate. Until now psychoanalysis has been astonishingly absent from this debate. Dr. Wolff will discuss the specificity of human sexuality—namely, the crucial difference between fantasy and (genital) reality. In this way she will highlight and illuminate the current misunderstanding between what is new “prudism”, gallantry, seduction, and domination. Such criticism leads us to a more theoretical investigation of the specific conditions under which psychoanalysis had originally emerged and its contemporary developments. Namely, from traditional nuclear family to new constellations, from case reports to structural concepts.

### About the Presenter

Dr. Wolff received her doctorate in philosophy in 1986. She studied in Jerusalem, Frankfurt and Paris. She publishes frequently in French, German, and English. Dr. Wolff is a former training analyst at the Belgian Society of Psychoanalysis (IPA) and Professor of Clinical Psychology at both the University of Louvain-La-Neuve and the Free University of Brussels. She is also in private practice in Belgium.

**Cost** (includes a continental breakfast, buffet lunch and afternoon beverages)

\$120 clinicians and non-clinician attendees

\$80 candidates and residents

\$40 students

### **Agenda**

The day will be divided into 3 parts among the following blocks of time, as determined by group need.

9:00	Registration
9:30	Part 1: Free thinking and the power of the unconscious
10:45	Break
11:00	Part 2: How do we become a man or a woman and why is this not evident? – Transgender phenomena.
12:15	Lunch
1:30	Part 3: The infantile and the genital sexuality – Deep misunderstandings in the #metoo debate and how psychoanalysis can help.
2:45	Break
3:00	Wrap Up
3:45	Adjourn

### **Learning Objectives**

1. Identify and distinguish the core of what keeps being the originality of the Freudian discovery.
2. Differentiate infantile, polymorphous – human – sexuality. from what we call with Freud “genital” sexuality and “instinct”.
3. Identify the historical and epistemological conditions for the emergence of psychoanalysis.

### **Continuing Education**

This program meets criteria for 5.0 hours of credits for Psychologists.

Participants must attend the entire program to receive CE credit. Upon completion of the activity and an evaluation form, a certificate of attendance will be provided.

### **Suggested Readings**

For those of you who would like to do some preparatory reading, the following articles are in English. Contact [azswpsych@gmail.com](mailto:azswpsych@gmail.com) if you would like copies emailed to you.

Heenen-Wolff, Susann ; Raphaël-Leff, Joan. *Dialogue on psychoanalysis and the female today*. In: *Oedipus : biannual Greek psychoanalytic journal*, Vol. 10, p. 332-389 (2013).

Heenen-Wolff, Susann. *Infantile bisexuality and the ‘complete oedipal complex’: Freudian views on heterosexuality and homosexuality*. In: *The International Journal of Psychoanalysis*, Vol. 92, no. 5, p. 1209-1220 (October 2011).

Heenen-Wolff, Susann. *From symbolic law to narrative capacity. A paradigm shift in psychoanalysis?.* In: *The International journal of psycho-analysis*, Vol. 88, no. Pt 1, p. 75-90 (2007).

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