

# Forum 2017

## Welcome

We welcome you to the 28th annual Forum! The Alliance is dedicated to deepening our understanding of the human condition. This objective is addressed in nine presentations from several perspectives.

Jenny Gardon, Alliance president, will conduct a brief business meeting.

We wish you an enriching day.

## Continuing education

Forum 2017 has applied for approval to offer certification of 5 hours of continuing education for all mental health professionals.

*This workshop has been approved for 5 CEUs by the Washington State Society for Clinical Social Work (WSSCSW) for Licensed Social Workers, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, and Licensed Mental Health Counselors.*

*Important disclosure information for all learners:  
None of the planners and presenters of this program have any relevant financial relationships to disclose.*



## Presenters

**Daniel Benveniste, PhD**

**Robert Bergman, MD**

**Matthew Brooks, MSW, LICSW**

**Robert Campbell, MD**

**Sandra Christensen, ARNP**

**Joan Golston, DCSW, LICSW**

**Kenneth Kimmel, LMHC**

**Janae Kronbach, LMHC**

**Karol Marshall, PhD**

**Robin McCoy Brooks, MA**

**Tanya Ruckstuhl, LICSW**

**Gillian Vik, LMHC**

**Karen Weisbard, PsyD**

## Plenary Presenters

**Joseph Canarelli, LICSW**

**Katherine Weissbord, PhD**

**Sherry Nicholsen, PhD, LMHC**

**Carol Poole, MA, LMHC**

## Forum committee

David Allen, Michael Allison (chair),  
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**Saturday, April 8, 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM**

**Shoreline Conference Center**

Presented by the

**Northwest Alliance for Psychoanalytic Study**

# Forum 2017 schedule

8 - 8:20	<b>Registration and continental breakfast</b>
8:30 - 10:00 am	<p><b>Concurrent presentations:</b></p> <p><b>Intergenerational Transmission of Trauma</b>  <i>Karen Weisbard, PsyD; Karol Marshall, PhD; Janae Kronbach, LMHC</i>  Three clinicians representing three generations of training and clinical experience (early, mid, and senior career) will explore manifestations of intergenerational transmission of trauma. Two case presentations will be discussed by the senior analyst who will then facilitate audience discussion.</p> <p><b>Psychoanalytic Subject as Political Possibility</b>  <i>Robin McCoy Brooks, MA</i>  I describe a psychoanalytically conceived notion of political action that I illustrate with the emergence of Project Quest that arose in response to the AIDS crises twenty-five years ago. My theoretical influences include the works of Žižek, Badiou, and Heidegger.</p> <p><b>Transference in Psychotherapy</b>  <i>Daniel Benveniste, PhD</i>  Transference describes the way the prototypes of significant infantile relationships are re-experienced in relation to the analyst within the context of the repetition compulsion. This presentation will focus on how to recognize the transference in our work with patients.</p> <p><b>Wallace Stevens and Donald Trump</b>  <i>Robert Bergman, MD</i>  Stevens believed that we need a supreme fiction, poetry so awe inspiring that it could replace the supreme fiction of God. Humanity was suffering from too much reality and too little imagination. His correctness is shown by the election.</p>
10:15 - 11:45 am	<p><b>Concurrent presentations:</b></p> <p><b>Ski Lift Case</b>  <i>Robert Campbell, MD</i>  Case of an angry 17-year-old, withdrawn, depressed male. No school attendance since 14. Severe maternal deprivation, et al., caused silence for 16 months. Movie characters used as metaphors to work with failures of ego development, reflective function, and signal anxiety.</p> <p><b>Lessons from a Holocaust Survivor</b>  <i>Kenneth A. Kimmel, LMHC; Joan C. Golston, DCSW, LICSW</i>  A trauma expert and a Jungian psychoanalyst join to review a concentration camp survivor's testimony and consider the impact of her abject identification with the aggressor, complexities in the bearing of shame, and her rejection of the nurturing rescuer.</p> <p><b>What Happens to the Alchemist?</b>  <i>Sandra Christensen, ARNP; Tanya Ruckstuhl, LICSW; Gillian Vik, LMHC</i>  Through the alchemical vessel of writing, we will explore the therapist and client responses to collective trauma. We will put them in the pot, turn up the heat, and cook them to get the gold—the wisdom of the unconscious.</p> <p><b>Collective Trauma and Therapist Disclosure</b>  <i>Matthew Brooks, MSW, LICSW</i>  During a collective trauma—an epidemic, a shooting, an election—therapists may feel pulled to share personal reactions with clients. How does this affect the analytic process? How do we work with an ethos that requires both emotional engagement and abstinence?</p>
12:00 - 1:15 pm	<p><b>Hosted lunch &amp; annual meeting</b>  <i>Jenny Gardon, president</i> – Annual meeting of the Northwest Alliance for Psychoanalytic Study</p>
1:30 - 3:30 pm	<p><b>Plenary session: Responding Psychoanalytically to Trauma, Otherness, and the State of the World</b></p> <p>How can psychoanalysis help us as clinicians and citizens in the post-election world? A panel of presentations followed by group discussion on the political nature of psychoanalysis; projective identification as communication; the distortion of reality, time, and history; and the trauma of otherness.</p> <p>The panel will consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Joseph Canarelli, LICSW</li> <li>■ Katherine Weissbord, PhD</li> <li>■ Sherry Nicholsen, PhD, LMHC</li> <li>■ Carol Poole, MA, LMHC, moderator</li> </ul>

# registration

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<b>Conference fees</b>	<i>Postmarked by April 1</i>	<i>Postmarked after April 1 or at the door</i>
Alliance member	\$110	\$120
Nonmember	\$130	\$140
Student (Alliance member)	\$85	\$85
Student (nonmember)	\$100	\$100
Proceedings	\$15	\$15

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Questions

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Shoreline Conference Center,  
18560 1st Avenue NE, Shoreline, WA 98155

- From I-5, take the NE 175th St exit (Exit #176) for Shoreline and head west on NE 175th St.
- Turn right on Meridian Ave N.
- Turn right on N 185th.
- Turn left on 1st Ave NE. The Shoreline Center is on your right. Enter at the north entrance.

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