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FREUD CONFERENCE BLOG

Between now and the conference, we will be posting articles and media relevant to the conference as they arise. The blog allows you to engage in the conversation by posting comments or a reply: we look forward to your input.

The Freud Conference blog also provides detailed CVs and publication lists of the speakers, with links to their publications and sources.

<http://freudconference.blog>

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

cut-off date: Wednesday March 25, 2020

BOOKING ENQUIRIES

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detail from a painting by Anita Kuhnell
Heart, mixed media 1994

woodblock engraving:

Romeo visiting Juliet on her balcony
by Frank Dicksee, circa 1890

CANCELLATION POLICY

Refunds (less \$50.00 administration fee)
will only be given for cancellations received by
Wednesday 6th May, 2020. No refunds after this date.

LOVE

in a hostile environment

*Thoughts on the young adult, the couple
and society in the world we live in*



KEY SPEAKERS

PHIL STOKOE and MARY MORGAN, UK

8.30 – 18.00 Saturday 23rd May

The Melbourne Brain Centre
Kenneth Myer Building
30 Royal Parade, Parkville

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08.30 Registration & Coffee/Tea

09.00–9.10 Introduction and Welcome:
Dr Christine Hill

MORNING SESSIONS

09.15 – 10.45 Chair: Dr Timothy Keogh

MARY MORGAN

**LOVE, HATE AND OTHERNESS
IN INTIMATE RELATING**

I suggest that love, hate and curiosity about these emotions are part of a loving relationship and give life to the relationship. Hate arises from many sources: being with another who challenges our perceptions, facing the limitations of knowing and being known and understood by another and the painful disillusionment that can sometimes follow the ‘in love’ state. Not being able to bear the hate that is part of love can lead to hate going underground and having an insidious effect on the relationship, including a loss of intimacy.

10.45 – 11.15 Morning tea

11.15 – 12.45 Chair: Ros Webb

PHIL STOKOE

**CLIMATE CHANGE, NATIONALISM, ACADEMIC
PRESSURE AND SOCIAL MEDIA; WHAT’S THE
IMPACT ON ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT?**

In the UK, Europe and the USA there has been an increase in reported MH problems in adolescence. I shall describe the process of adolescent development to show the necessary environmental factors for successful achievement of adult state of mind. Then I shall demonstrate how modern, first world society creates an environment that actually harms adolescent development by creating an atmosphere that diminishes both love and curiosity.

12.45 – 14.00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

14.00 – 15.30 Chair: Dr Peter Smith

PHIL STOKOE

LOVE THROUGH THE EYES OF SHAKESPEARE

In this presentation, I want to pick up the importance of love as an organising drive in the mind. I shall do this by a quick review of some of Shakespeare’s best known plays to think what it reveals about the importance of love or its absence in times of crisis. I hope to show that the bard and I agree that love is crucial to human growth and the development of a civilised society.

15.30 – 15.50 Afternoon break

15.50 – 17.00 Chair: Dr Rob Gordon

PANEL DISCUSSION

Phil Stokoe and Mary Morgan will discuss, and then lead, an open forum on issues raised from all three presentations.

17.00 – 18.00 Drinks & finger food

Readings Bookstall will be available at the Conference

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

PHIL STOKOE is a psychoanalyst, Fellow of the Institute of Psychoanalysis, Training Analyst with the British Psychotherapy Foundation and in private practice working with adults and couples, and an organisational consultant, providing consultation to a wide range of organisations.



Phil worked as a consultant social worker and senior lecturer in the Adult Department of the Tavistock & Portman NHS Foundation Trust from 1994 to 2012 finishing as clinical director. He writes and teaches on a wide range of topics including Psychoanalytic understanding of society and politics. Phil is also a regular contributor on David Morgan’s *Political Mind* radio/podcast.

MARY MORGAN is a psychoanalyst, consultant couple psychoanalytic psychotherapist and Fellow of the British Psychoanalytical Society. Until very recently she was Reader in Couple Psychoanalysis and Head of the MA in Couple Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy at Tavistock Relationships.



She has written many key articles in the field of couple psychoanalysis and teaches internationally. Mary is also the European member of the IPA Committee in Couple and Family Psychoanalysis (COFAP).

Her book *‘A Couple State of Mind: Psychoanalysis of Couples – the Tavistock Relationships Model’* was published recently by Routledge.