The FRANCES TUSTIN Memorial Trust
and
Tel Aviv University
Sackler Faculty of Medicine
Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program

Invite you to attend
The 25th Annual
Frances Tustin Memorial Lectureship
that will take place on
Friday November 4th, 2022, between 8:00 am-15:00
(Israel time)
at Tel Aviv University, Dolfi Auditorium and through zoom

Featuring

Dr. Bianca Lechevalier-Haim (France),
Dr. Suzanne Maiello (Italy), Pam Shein (Australia)

We encourage you to participate in person

The lectureship day focuses on disturbances in early emotional development in which primitive anxieties prevail. The theoretical understanding of these disturbances and their clinical implications are important for both child and adult therapists/analysts who work with complex and challenging primitive mental states.
Program Schedule:
8:00-8:30 – Registration and refreshments

8:30-10:15 – First part – Chair: Joel Miller (Vice-chair of The Frances Tustin Memorial Trust)

Opening remarks: Alina Schellekes (Chair of The Frances Tustin Memorial Trust)
Merav Roth (PhD) (Chair of The Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program, at Tel Aviv University)

Lecture: Dr. Bianca Lechevalier-Haim: Mother-Infant Psychoanalysis – From Clinic to Theory

Abstract: Mother-infant psychoanalysis takes into consideration the unity of body and psyche and focuses on the link between mother and baby. The emphasis is on an early intervention which enables the transferential analysis of depression, of early anxieties, as described by Tustin, and of intergenerational transmissions, especially of the negative elements that have not been worked through in previous generations. The analyst's role as a third, who triggers projections and develops crossed projective identifications, is emphasized. In this multi-faceted mother-infant psychoanalysis the mother can be a meaningful co-therapist. In my understanding mother-infant psychoanalysis is the best therapy for autism, early psychosis, some psychosomatic diseases and even for prevention of psychopathic troubles in adolescence.

Discussion with the audience

10:15–10:45 – Coffee/zoom break

10:45–12:30 – Second part – Chair: Josien Gussenhoven

Lecture: Dr. Suzanne Maiello: Primary Psycho-Physical Shapes in Clinical Practice with Autistic Children

Abstract: In autistic states, the deepest experiential levels of psycho-physical awareness and development have gone astray. The autistic patient cannot re-create, but only endlessly and senselessly repeat sameness. If a bodily movement, which draws a shape in space and time, is not felt and experienced, is not “seen” at deep proto-mental levels by the infant, all potential links between outside and inside, between me and not-me, all continuously ongoing psycho-physical interweaving processes, collapse. Autistic patients are defensively frozen, because any movement would bring about change, and change is equivalent to catastrophe. Therefore, everything needs to be de-substantiated.
These children are literally no-bodies (Tustin, 1981, Maiello, 2011 F., 2014 It.), but, just as literally, they are at the same time no-minds. The autistic no-bodyness and no-mindness, which are not only difficult, but impossible to sense fully from our side of the divide, brings about the analyst’s sometimes almost unbearable, often physical countertransference experiences of feeling blank, void, non-existent ourselves, when we are on the verge of the abyss of the patient’s no-man’s land.

Discussion with the audience

12:30–13:00 – Lunch Break

13:00–15:00 – Third part – Chair: Alina Schellekes

Clinical presentation: Pam Shein

Discussants: Dr. Bianca Lechevalier-Haim and Dr. Suzanne Maiello

Discussion with the audience

Closing Remarks – Alina Schellekes
Registration for non-Israeli participants.
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Faculty of the Lectureship Day:

Joel Miller is the Vice-chair of The Frances Tustin Memorial Trust. He is a supervising clinical psychologist, a child and adult psychoanalyst at the Israel Psychoanalytic Society and institute where he has taught as well. He teaches and supervises at the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program, Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, in its core program and in the Primitive Mental States advanced track of studies. He teaches and supervises at the Winnicott Center in Israel, in the advanced studies program as well as in the new program for Educationalists. He has a private practice in Kfar Saba where he does supervision, psychoanalysis and psychoanalytic psychotherapy with children, adolescents and adults.

Alina Schellekes is the Chair of The Frances Tustin Memorial Trust. She is a supervising clinical psychologist, a training and supervising psychoanalyst at The Israel Psychoanalytic Society and a honorary member of The Polish Society for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy. She teaches and supervises at the Israel Psychoanalytic Institute; at the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program, Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University where she is the head of the Primitive Mental States advanced track of studies, which she founded in 2007. She worked as a senior clinical psychologist for more than three decades at Brill Mental Health Center (Ramat Chen), Tel Aviv. In 2006 she received the Honorary Mention of the Phillys Meadow Award in New York for excellence in psychoanalytical writing. In November 2008 she received in Los Angeles the 12th Frances Tustin Memorial Prize for her paper: "The Dread of Falling and Dissolving – further thoughts". In 2021 she was the International Guest Lecturer for The Australian Psychoanalytic Society. Her papers have been published in several journals and chapters of books. Her book “The Dread of Falling - Reflections on Primitive Mental States” was published in 2021 by Resling Publishing, Tel Aviv. Her main topics of interest, both in her publications (in Hebrew, English, Italian and Portuguese) and in her teaching, focus on the understanding of primitive mental states, void existence, unrepresented states of mind, hypochondria, psychosomatic states, day dreaming, the concept of double, therapeutic excess. She is in private practice in Qiryat Ono, Tel Aviv area, Israel.

Merav Roth (PhD) is a clinical psychologist, a training and supervising psychoanalyst at the Israel Psychoanalytic Society and a researcher of psychoanalysis and culture. She is the chair of the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program, Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel-Aviv University, and the former chair of the interdisciplinary doctoral program in psychoanalysis and the founder and former chair of the post graduate Klein studies, both belonging to the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program at Tel-Aviv University. Together with Joshua Durban, Roth edited and wrote the preface and introductions to the book “Melanie Klein – essential papers II” (Tel Aviv: Book-Worm, 2013) and she edited the Hebrew editions of Irma Brenman Pick’s “Authenticity in the Psychoanalytic Encounter” (Carmel, 2021) and Melanie Klein’s “Psychoanalysis of Children” (Bookworm, 2022). Roth has also published various chapters in books and papers (both in English and in Hebrew) on psychoanalysis, literature and trauma, as well as a book titled “Reading the Reader – a Psychoanalytic Perspective on Reading Literature" (London and New-York: Routledge books, 2020).
Dr. Bianca Lechevalier-Haim, MD was born in Istanbul into a sephardic family. She studied in Paris after the Second World War. She is a Training Child and Adult Psychoanalyst of the Paris Psychoanalytical Society (SPP). She is a former Senior Registrar in Neuro-Psychiatry at Paris University Medical School, a former Senior Lecturer of Psychopathology at the University of Caen (Normandy, France), and a former Medical Director of the CMPP of the University of Caen. She has been a training analyst for PSIKE Group of IPA since 2004. In 2003, she was awarded the Frances Tustin Memorial Prize. Since 1965 she has been treating autistic children psychoanalytically. She is the author of numerous papers and chapters in books, in French and in English, about psychosomatics, autism, dreams, and descendants of Shoah survivors. She is an author or co-author of four books: Le corps et le sens (The Body and the Sense), a dialogue with her husband, a professor in neurology and neuropsychology (Delachaux & Niestlé, 1998); Les Contes et la Psychanalyse (The Stories and the Psychoanalysis) (2001); Traitement psychanalytique mère-enfant (The Mother-Child Psychoanalytic Treatment) (2004, also translated into Turkish); Le Souffle de l’Existence, (Breath of Existence) (2016).

Dr. Suzanne Maiello is a Psychoanalyst and Psychoanalytic Child Psychotherapist. She is a founder member and Past President of AIPPI (Italian Association of Psychoanalytic Child Psychotherapy); a member of the AIPA/IAAP (International Association of Analytical Psychology) and of the ACP (Association of Child Psychotherapists, Tavistock Section, UK). She is on the Faculty of the AIPPI Postgraduate Training in Psychoanalytic Child Psychotherapy, Rome and Milan, of the Master’s program in Psychoanalytic Observational Studies, Tavistock/University of Essex and of the Postgraduate Training in Psychoanalytic Child Psychotherapy, Istanbul. Between 1978-1980 she was in supervision with Frances Tustin (treatment of an autistic child). In 1997 she was the recipient of the first International Frances Tustin Memorial Prize. She is editor and co-author of books and author of over 100 publications in the leading journals of psychoanalytic child psychotherapy and psychoanalysis. She is a member of the International Advisory Boards of European psychoanalytic journals. She lives and practices in Rome, Italy.

Josien Gussenhoven is a training psychoanalyst of the Dutch Psychoanalytic Society who works with adolescents and adults in Holland, in different cultures. She worked for 10 years in polyclinical services and has been in private practice for 30 years. After graduating from the University of Amsterdam, she first taught psycholinguistics and children’s development of speech. In the transition from teacher to psychotherapist and then to psychoanalyst she experienced the reliving of the child in the grown up as the core of the analytic relationship and experience. She was supervised by Joyce Mc Dougall, Judith Mitrani, Maria Rhode and Rachel Blass, took part in intervision-groups throughout Europe and values long-lived readings groups of the work of Melanie Klein, Wilfred Bion and Frances Tustin. As a member and training analyst of the Dutch Psychoanalytic Society, she founded a working group on Frances Tustin in Holland. She teaches on narcissism and her focus in her supervisions is on the autistic core and on primitive mental states. From January 1st, 2022 Josien has become a board member of The Frances Tustin Memorial Trust.

Pam Shein is Child and Adult Training Analyst with the Australian Psychoanalytical Society. She is a Visiting Professor and the Infant Observation Coordinator to the Psychotherapy Training Program in the Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan. She is the Chair of the National Education and Training Committee (NEAT) for the Australian Psychoanalytical Society. She is the Chair of the Child and Adolescent Standing Committee for the Australian Psychoanalytical Society. She is a member of COCAP- the Committee for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalysis for the IPA and she is the COCAP representative of the Asia Pacific Region. She is in private practise in Sydney, Australia.
The Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program, Sackler Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Israel was established in 1971 and since its foundation provides deep and comprehensive training in psychodynamic psychotherapy for psychologists, psychiatrists and social workers. The program is comprised of a 3-year core program; eight tracks of advanced studies (Self psychology; Primitive Mental States; Winnicott, Bion and the Independant radical breakthroughs; Group psychotherapy; Relational studies; Kleinian studies; Contemporary Freud studies, Couples psychoanalytic psychotherapy) and a special program for an interdisciplinary PhD studies in psychoanalysis and its interfaces; as well as a one-year study framework in psychodynamic psychotherapy for professionals in the medical and para-medical fields. Head of the Program: Merav Roth (PhD).

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