



Eastern Group Psychotherapy Society

# THE TRAGEDY OF OBEDIENCE

AND THE STRUGGLE FOR

**AUTHENTICITY**

# IN GROUP PSYCHOTHERAPY

2018 Annual Conference

Friday, November 16th & Saturday, November 17th, 2018

The Riverside Church  
31 Claremont Avenue, New York City



## GENERAL INFORMATION

The **Eastern Group Psychotherapy Society (EGPS)**, a regional multi-disciplinary affiliate of the American Group Psychotherapy Association, was founded in 1955 to promote group approaches to the delivery of human services through teaching, training, research and collegial support. The Society welcomes members and event attendees from diverse backgrounds. EGPS offers a wide variety of benefits to their members. Please check out our website at [www.egps.org](http://www.egps.org).

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### Conference Learning Objectives:

Participants will acquire the skills to:

- identify and describe basic group concepts and processes;
- compare and contrast different methods of group intervention;
- integrate and apply newly learned group skills in their professional practice.

**2018 Conference Theme: The Tragedy of Obedience and the Struggle for Authenticity in Group Psychotherapy.** To an extent, we are all inhibited by a host of conscious and unconscious allegiances. While groups can be a wonderful breeding ground for multiplicity and authenticity, they can compel members to silence and demand compliance. Join us in exploring the ways we foster our members' unique subjectivities.

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## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

8:00 – 8:45 AM	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>	<b>Cloister Lobby</b>
8:45 AM	<b>Welcome</b> Kathie Ault, PMHNP-BC, CGP, FAGPA, EGPS President Eva Fyer, LCSW, Conference Committee Co-Chair Tzachi Slonim, PhD, ABPP, CGP, Conference Committee Co-Chair	
9:00 – 11:30 AM	<b>Plenary Session</b> <b>When the Outside Comes in and the Inside Comes Out: Transference and Countertransference Dressed as Judgments, Beliefs and Principles</b> Presenter: Nina K. Thomas, PhD, ABPP, CGP Plenary Co-Chairs: Ed Elder, MDiv, LMHC & Christine Schmidt, LCSW, CGP	
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM	<b>Large Group Experience</b> Consultants: Macario Giraldo, PhD & Mabelle Giraldo, MS	
1:00 – 2:00 PM	<b>Lunch</b> (on your own)	
2:00 – 4:30 PM	<b>"A" Sessions</b>	
4:30 – 5:00 PM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
5:00 – 7:30 PM	<b>"B" Sessions</b>	

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2:00 – 4:30 PM	<b>"D" Sessions</b>	
4:30 – 6:00 PM	<b>Closing Reception</b> All Conference attendees and faculty are invited to attend. Closing Conference Remarks: Tzachi Slonim, PhD, ABPP, CGP, Conference Committee Co-Chairs Eva Fyer, LCWS, Conference Committee Co-Chairs	

### PLENARY PRESENTATION FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 9:00 – 11:30 AM

#### WHEN THE OUTSIDE COMES IN AND THE INSIDE COMES OUT: TRANSFERENCE AND COUNTERTRANSFERENCE DRESSED AS JUDGMENTS, BELIEFS AND PRINCIPLES

Have you made the mistake of talking politics at Thanksgiving or another family celebration? This Plenary examines how the socio-political context of our lives, what has been called "identity politics," inevitably enters our therapy groups. When it does it may be as defense against affective engagement with others or the manifestation of our central identity - the judgments, beliefs and principles of this Plenary title. The question that arises is, how does this serve or do a disservice to our relationships with others? How can we relate across the socio-political divide? What are we defending ourselves against when our central ideas about ourselves, about others and the world are challenged? And how then do we engage our members' capacity for mentalization and empathy?

Through didactic presentation and a demonstration group we will explore these questions, their tangles and steps toward resolution when possible.

**Presenter: Nina K. Thomas, PhD, ABPP, CGP**, has a long career in addressing the socio-political in its intersection with psychotherapy. This commitment was recognized by the Group Foundation for Mental Health in their awarding Dr. Thomas the Social Justice award in 2017. She is the Chair of the Advanced Specialization in Trauma and Disaster Studies at the NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis and is a consultant at the Contemporary Center for Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis of New Jersey. Dr. Thomas is in private practice in New York City and Morristown, NJ

**Plenary Co-Chairs: Ed Elder, MDiv, LMHC, Private Practice & Christine Schmidt, LCSW, CGP, Private Practice**



## LARGE GROUP EXPERIENCE

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 16 & SATURDAY NOVEMBER 17**  
**11:45 AM – 1:00 PM**

The Large Group offers its members the opportunity to face aspects of their identity and to consider how it is informed by ethnicity, gender, class, religion, professional affiliation, country of origin, etc.

This experience may stimulate anxieties related to the discomfort each individual feels as s/he reflects upon the challenge of these larger societal forces. The group members' task is to engage in this experience by sharing their thoughts and feelings while remaining open to learning about their own prejudices and vulnerabilities. Ideally, the participants may discover difficult but transforming truths about the human condition.

The consultants' role is to maintain the capacity for dialogue by identifying common themes and anxieties. Their comments are designed to create a space – a symbolic umbrella protecting the task of the group—where both reflection and a degree of regression are possible.

**Consultants: Macario Giraldo**, Ph.D. Faculty, Washington School of Psychiatry. Founding member of the Lacanian Forum of Washington, DC.  
**Mabelle A. Giraldo**, MS in Sociology from Catholic University and MS I Art Therapy from George Washington University.

Complete Workshop Descriptions can be found on the EGPS website at [www.egps.org](http://www.egps.org).

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16**  
**ALL-DAY WORKSHOPS**  
**5:00 – 7:30 PM**

### All-Day Workshop A1/B14

#### **Obedience vs Authenticity: A Full-day Process Group**

**Shoshana Ben-Noam**, PsyD, CGP, LFGA, Pace University; Private Practice & **Darryl Pure**, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University; Private Practice, Chicago, Illinois

[Participants must register for both sessions of this all-day workshop.](#)

*Open to those with over 10 years experience – Experiential*

### All-Day Workshop A2/B15

#### **Authenticity & Discovery: Therapeutic Word, Deed, and Presence**

**Richard Billow**, PhD, ABPP

[Participants must register for both sessions of this all-day workshop.](#)

*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16**  
**"A" WORKSHOPS 2:00 – 4:30 PM**

### WORKSHOP A3

#### **The Play's the Thing! Developmental Use of Theater Games in Adolescent Group Psychotherapy**

**Diana Feldman**, LCAT, RDT-BCT, ENACT, Inc. & **Emilie Ward**, LCAT, RDT, ENACT, Inc.

*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience/Self-Reflection*

### WORKSHOP A4

#### **Authenticity versus Compliance in Group Discussions of Race**

**Chris Dolin**, LCSW, Private Practice; The Center for Group Studies & **Kevin Gillette**, PsyD, Postgraduate Psychoanalytic Institute Group Therapy Training Program

*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP A5

#### **Feast or Famine: Opportunity and Peril in Process Groups**

**Jeff Muller**, PhD, Private Practice

*Open to all – Experiential*

### WORKSHOP A6

#### **Systems-Centered™ Couples' Groups**

**Nina Klebanoff**, Ed.M, LCSW, CGP, Licensed Systems-Centered Practitioner, Private Practice

*Open to all levels – Didactic – Experiential – Group Practicum*

### WORKSHOP A7

#### **Religious Affiliation: Conflicts Of Authenticity to Self vs. Community**

**Yair Kramer**, PsyD., Private Practice

*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP A8

#### **THOU SHALT NOT...!**

**Chera Finnis**, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA, Private Practice; Maria Droste Counseling Services

*Open to all – Experiential with Pause-Play Exercise – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP A9

#### **Restoring the Curious Mind in Group**

**Andy Eig**, PhD, ABPP, Derner Institute for Advanced Psychological Studies, Adelphi University; Private Practice

*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP A10

#### **Choosing One's Self: Beckoning and the Power of the Therapist's Being**

**Robert B. Karen**, PhD, Private Practice

*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP A11

#### **Moving Toward What Matters: Using Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) to Make the Moments Count in Group**

**Michael Althuler**, LCSW, CGP, Private Practice & **Hilary Levine**, PhD, CGP, Private Practice, City University of New York

*Open to those with over five years experience – Didactic – Experiential – Discussion*

### WORKSHOP A12

#### **A Fine Balance: Finding Independence While Staying Connected In Group**

**Teresa Solomita**, LCSW-R, Private Practice; The Center for Group Studies

*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP A13

#### **To Raise Your Voice or Not: Exploring the Tension Between Fitting In and Standing Out**

**Mary Sussillo**, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; The Center for Group Studies

*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic*



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Open to all – Experiential – Didactic

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16**  
**“B” WORKSHOPS 5:00 – 7:30 PM**

#### WORKSHOP B16

##### **Playing with Traditional Masculine Perceptions: Deconstructing Toxic Masculinity**

**Wayne Ayers**, PhD, Brooklyn VA Medical Center; Private Practice

Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic

#### WORKSHOP B17

##### **Vicissitudes of Obedience: Between the Law, the Will, and the Ethics of the Act**

**Macario Giraldo**, PhD, FAGPA

Open to all – Didactic – Experiential – Sharing of Experience

#### WORKSHOP B18

##### **Trusting and Cultivating Authenticity in Group Work**

**Anthony Patterson**, LMHC, CRC, Private Practice; Callen-Lorde Community Health Center

Open to all – Didactic – Sharing of Experience – Experiential

#### WORKSHOP B19

##### **The Political is Personal**

**Nina Thomas**, PhD, ABPP, CGP, NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis; Center for Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis of New Jersey

Open to all – Experiential – Didactic

#### WORKSHOP B20

##### **Discovering Your Voice in Groups & Systems Using a Group Relations/Tavistock Model**

**Howard A. Friedman**, PhD, NY Center/AK Rice Institute; Private Practice & **Mineko (Anne) Legendy**, PhD, NY Center/AK Rice Institute; Private Practice

Open to all – Experiential – Didactic

#### WORKSHOP B21

##### **What Are We Not Talking About? Two Perspectives on the Here-and-Now**

**Jacob Winkler**, LCSW, CAMS-II, Insight Psychological Group; Private Practice

Open to all – Experiential

#### WORKSHOP B22

##### **The Therapist’s Role in the Family of Origin and Its Impact on Authenticity and Individuation in Groups**

**Alice Byrne**, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA, Private Practice

Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic

#### WORKSHOP B23

##### **Choice and Authenticity in Substance Use: An Introduction to Integrative Harm-Reduction Psychotherapy (IHRP) Groups**

**Adam Frankel**, PhD, CGP, Center for Optimal Living; Private Practice

Open to all – Didactic – Sharing of Experience – Experiential

#### WORKSHOP B24

##### **Directions: Explore the Past? Stay in the Present? When to Follow? When to Lead?**

**Dominick Grundy**, PhD, CGP, FAGPA, Private Practice

Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17**  
**ALL-DAY WORKSHOPS**  
9:00 – 11:30 AM & 2:00 – 4:30 PM

#### ALL-DAY WORKSHOP C25/D38

##### **From Being at Risk to Taking a Risk**

**Ronnie Levine**, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; The Center for Group Studies

Participants must register for both sessions of this all-day workshop.

Open to those with over 20 years experience – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience

#### ALL-DAY WORKSHOP C26/D39

##### **Introduction to the Basics of Group Psychotherapy**

Morning Session: **Robin Good**, PhD, CGP, FAGPA, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; Private Practice & **Leah Slivko**, LICSW, PsychA, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; NJ Institute for Psychoanalysis;

Afternoon Session: **Alan Shanel LCSW**, CGP, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; Private Practice; & **Phyllis Wright**, LCSW, BCD, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; Private Practice

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Open to those with less than 3 years experience in group therapy – Morning session – Didactic; Afternoon session – Experiential

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17,**  
**“C” WORKSHOPS 9:00 – 11:30 AM**

#### WORKSHOP C27

##### **The Aging Therapist: Some Considerations**

**Bruce Bernstein**, PhD, ABPP, FAGPA, NYU Postdoctoral Program & **Lita Moses**, CSW, FAGPA, Private Practice, Great Barrington, Massachusetts

Open to those with over 10 years experience – Sharing of Experience – Experiential – Didactic

#### WORKSHOP C28

##### **Group Work with a Heterogeneous Mix of Learning Disabled Adolescents**

**Stephen Friedman**, LCSW, William Alanson White Institute; Private Practice

Open to all – Didactic – Sharing of Experience

#### WORKSHOP C29

##### **Welcoming Vulnerability Through the Portal of Understanding COLORISM**

**Ericka Echevara Adams**, LCSW, JD, Columbia University School of Social Work & **J. Rudy Lucas**, LCSW, CASAC, SAP, Private Practice

Open to all – Sharing of Experience – Experiential – Didactic



### WORKSHOP C30

#### **Why is this Group so Boring? A Systems-Centered Perspective on Compliance in Groups**

**Susan Beren**, PhD, Licensed Systems-Centered Practitioner, Private Practice  
*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP C31

#### **Countering Mental Health Stigma in a Depression Support Group with Positive Psychotherapy**

**Heather Holtman**, EdD, The City College of New York, **Jennifer Stewart**, MS Ed, Fordham University & **Serena Tchania**, MA, The Graduate Center, City University of New York; The City College of New York  
*Open to all – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP C32

#### **Screw Ups Don't Have to be Knock Outs: Managing Therapist's Mistakes as an Opportunity for Connection**

**Judith Schaer**, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA, Long Island Center for Group Training  
*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP C33

#### **Motivational Interviewing with Individuals and Groups**

**Jonah Schwartz**, LCSW, Private Practice  
*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP C34

#### **Trading Short Term Safety for a Life of Wonder in the "Aesthetic Moment"**

**Lena Friedman**, MPS, ART-BC, LCAT, CGP, EGPS Training Program in Group Psychotherapy; Bellevue Hospital Center & **Neil Friedman**, MsEd, Retired  
*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP C35

#### **Sexual and Romantic Infidelity: From Betrayal of Others to Betrayal of Self**

**Michael Crocker**, DSW, LCSW, Sexuality Attachment & Trauma Project; Private Practice & **Andrew Erdman**, LCSW, Sexuality Attachment & Trauma Project; Private Practice  
*Open to all – Didactic – Discussion/Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP C36

#### **Introverts Unite!: How a Group Challenges the Status Quo and Revolutionizes Therapeutic Work**

**Michael Alcee**, PhD, Private Practice; Manhattan School of Music  
*Open to all – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP C37

#### **The Struggle for Forgiveness: Holding On and Letting Go**

**Patti L. Cox**, PhD, CGP, Private Practice  
*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience*

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### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, "D" WORKSHOPS 2:00 – 4:30 PM

### WORKSHOP D40

#### **A Person is a Person Through Other People**

**April Harvin**, LCSW, Racial Literacy Consultation Group; MPG Consulting & **Christine Schmidt**, LCSW, Private Practice  
*Open to all – Blended Didactic – Experiential*

### WORKSHOP D41

#### **'99 Unconventional Interventions in Group Psychotherapy**

**Robert Pepper**, LCSW, PhD, FAGPA, Long Island Institute for Mental Health; New York Institute for Technology  
*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP D42

#### **Coercive Trauma: The Annihilation of Authentic Selfhood and the Path to Recovery**

**Robert H. Klein**, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA, Yale School of Medicine; Private Practice, Westport & Milford, Connecticut, **Suzanne B. Phillips**, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA, Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program, LIU Post & **Victor Schermer**, MA, LFA GPA, Private Practice, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
*Open to all – Sharing of Experience – Didactic – Sharing of Experience*

### WORKSHOP D43

#### **The Group Leader's Desire to Cure: From Historical Solution to Authentic Responsiveness**

**Lisa Stern**, PhD, ABPP, Private Practice; Derner Institute, Adelphi University  
*Open to all – Experiential – Sharing of Experience – Didactic*

### WORKSHOP D44

#### **Negotiating Boundaries in Therapy Groups**

**Daniel J. Cook**, LMHC, Embodied Mind NYC  
*Open to all – Experiential*

### WORKSHOP D45

#### **Finding Authenticity through Somatic Experience**

**Joan Wittig**, MS, BC-DMT, LCAT, Pratt Institute; New York Center for the Study of Authentic Movement  
*Open to all – Experiential*

### WORKSHOP D46

#### **The Unobtrusive Relational Group Analyst and The Emergence of Authenticity and Narrative**

**Robert Grossmark**, PhD, ABPP, NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychoanalysis  
*Open to all – Didactic – Experiential*

### WORKSHOP D47

#### **The Promise of Being Big / the excitement in remaining small**

**David Rothauer**, MA, MST, Private Practice  
*Open to all – Experiential – Didactic – Sharing of Experience*



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### A. WORKSHOP SELECTIONS – List your selections by number & indicate alternate choices. Assignments are made in order of receipt and no selections are guaranteed.

"A" Session	Friday	1st _____	2nd _____	3rd _____
"B" Session	Friday	1st _____	2nd _____	3rd _____
"C" Session	Saturday	1st _____	2nd _____	3rd _____
"D" Session	Saturday	1st _____	2nd _____	3rd _____

### B. FEE SCHEDULE – For Friday and Saturday. Please circle payment amount.

	Before November 1st	After November 1st and On-Site
	<u>One Day / Two Days</u>	<u>One Day / Two Days</u>
EGPS Members	\$225 / \$325	\$275 / \$375
Non-Members	\$275 / \$425	\$325 / \$475
Graduate Students & Residents*	\$135 / \$210	\$160 / \$235

\*To qualify for this rate, registration must be accompanied by a current bursar's receipt or letter showing full-time enrollment in a graduate degree program. Conference scholarships are available. For information: email info@egps.org.

**Cancellation Policy:** Cancellations received prior to November 1st will be assessed a fee of \$50; there will be no refund on cancellations received after November 1st.

**Group Rates:** Discounted rates are available to agencies and institutions that register 3 or more registrants prior to November 1st. Registrations must be received together accompanied by a letter from the agency listing those attending. For further information call 631-385-0763 or email info@egps.org.

**Continuing Education Credits:** For those requesting CEUs there is an additional \$30 fee.

### C. PAYMENT:

Registration Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Check enclosed  Pre-Paid Faculty

**Contribution to the Conference Scholarship Fund:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Credit Card (complete all information below)

CEUs: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

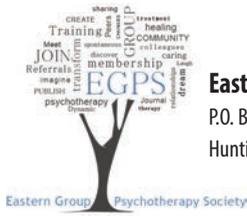
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Credit card payments must provide the following information:

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