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Conference Themes:

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Exploring Global Consciousness

Linking Ecology, Psychology and Spirituality

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Call for Proposals

You are invited to submit proposals online for the conference program. Presentations on the conference themes are encouraged, as well as other transpersonal psychology topics. Following are the formats for presentations:

Paper Presentations: 1 hour 15 minutes

Workshops: 2 hrs. Workshops should be experiential

Panels: 1 hour 15 minutes.

Poster Session: 1 hour

Proposal Deadline: August 31, 2009



Visit www.atpweb.org for information about the conference and to submit proposals

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Soul Psychology & the True Therapist

The Healing Power of the Living Field

The Diamond Approach® is a path of inner work that for decades has explored and articulated the psychodynamics of the living field of the person, or the soul. Concurrently, new developments in psychotherapy – including contemporary developmental psychology, object relations theory, intersubjective psychology, and attachment theory – as well as in transpersonal and Buddhist psychologies, and nondual therapy, all point toward a profound discovery: We are beginning to glimpse the nature of the true therapist.

In this course we focus on bringing into view the true therapist, that living presence which actually heals, so we may discern the process by which the client's experience of herself becomes increasingly open and free. In this course we work with that knowledge, learning to:

Increase our openness and objectivity, accessing increasingly subtle awareness and presence;

Recognize the field of the holding environment as it shifts, touching both therapist and client;

Track the moment-to-moment dynamic transformations in the field;

Understand the relationship between the identity of the self in object relations structures and the flow of the whole field of the client;

Recognize countertransference – the responses brought forth in the therapist – both as barrier and as guidance;

Expand the parameters of the therapist's empathic endeavor.

This course presents for the first time the powerful psychological understanding of the Diamond Approach for the benefit of psychologists, psychotherapists and teachers and practitioners of inner work. The Diamond Approach, developed by A.H. Almaas and now practiced by nearly 4,000 students

Course Sequence

I. Empathy, Presence and Openness: September 17-20, 2009

In Course I we address questions of empathy and detachment in therapy. We explore methods of increasing the openness of the therapist's field, which allows precise and vivid recognition of the presence in the intersubjective field. This field supports the revelation of unconscious material, whose articulation can unify thought, feeling and presence. We also explore suffering and confusion as doorways to the impulse of the soul toward wholeness.

II. Identity and Self-Knowledge: January 14-17, 2010

In Course II we explore pathologies of identity and the loss of the sense of wholeness of the living field, the soul. We work with issues of self-rejection, dissociation, and emptiness. We address methods of accessing physical and instinctual resources to provide new levels of support for the patient's self-healing. We learn to discriminate levels of self in the attuned therapeutic field, and to support the client in recognizing them.

III. The Living Field: May 6-9, 2010

In Course III we explore the matrix of the living field on the personal, intersubjective, transpersonal and nondual levels. We will also identify ways of differentiating these dimensions of the self, and explore how attunement, mirroring and self-recognition operate at these different levels.

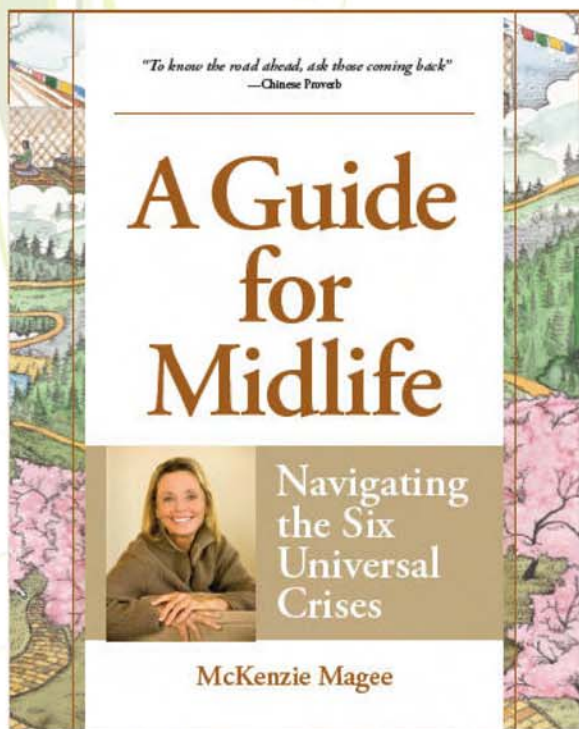
Teacher

All three courses are taught by Alia Johnson, a senior teacher of the Diamond Approach who leads groups in Europe and the United States as well as groups of teachers in training. She is also the editor of many of A.H. Almaas' books.

Location

This series of trainings will be held at Guest House.

For cost and other information visit www.guest-housecenter.org/html/programs.html#soul

New Book:***"A Guide for Mid-Life: Navigating the Six Universal Crises"*
by McKenzie Magee**

McKenzie Magee, counselor, teacher, and astrologer, guides the reader through the six passages of midlife that are universal to all people: Authenticity, Power, Clarity, Stature, Balance and Beliefs, and Contribution.

This guide, useful for those born between 1936 and 1979, describes when these “crises-as-opportunities” occur and how to best navigate them.

Drawing from the “life is timing” cycles of the astrological birth chart, she leads you on your midlife journey, from age thirty-five through fifty-six, with user friendly information, her own personal journals, insightful parables, and inspiring stories of others. Best of all, you don't have to understand the science of astrology in order to benefit from the experience. Just follow McKenzie's guide and discover how the six universal crises are meant to help you thrive for the rest of your life!

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