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A Statement From the Board

Greetings from the Board as we begin 2024! We wish you all a good year, even as the coming months will present grave challenges to our collective and individual psyches. Jung's prescient essay, "The Undiscovered Self," is well worth re-reading and pondering at this moment in time as we deal with the powerful collective forces here and around the world. His prescription in the face of pervasive collective influences is to find and maintain one's own individual standpoint and relationship to the Self.

Our monthly presentations this Spring will continue on Zoom, as attendees for our sessions join in from various locales. But we would like to encourage you to join our **in-person Roundtable meetings** on the Saturdays following each of the monthly meetings. These have already proven to be a most meaningful experience for those who attend.

And we want to gather in person at some point, perhaps a summer event and certainly a Christmas in-person gathering so that we can have that community experience together again. We welcome your ideas and assistance on this!

Finally, the recurring Zoom link for all our session is posted on our website, www.csjung.org, and the link will also be emailed out the day prior to each session. You can also use the PayPal link on our website to send in dues or presentation fees. Thank you all for your support in furthering Jungian wisdom and community!

Thursday, February 8th, 2024: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, February 10th, 2024, 11:00am – 1:00pm

The Tree in the Petri Dish: Symbol, Science, and Ecology

Lecture by Christine Chapman, Jungian Analyst



A woman faces certain unique challenges on her individuation path. Although her own feminine nature leads her to a deeply meaningful relationship with the symbolic depths, her modern animus can keep her separated from these depths, using up her life energy in endless meaningless distractions. Women tend to get stuck in analysis at certain, predictable points along the way. Both the distracting cultural animus, who holds her in the Spirit of the Times, and the repressed dark chthonic mother can keep her in stasis and pain, preventing a full crossing into relationship with the life-giving symbols of the archetypal depths.

I will be using a dream of an Australian woman to illustrate these difficult psychic dynamics, while also drawing a parallel with the extremely difficult problem we face objectively in climate change. As we talk about the Great Mother and nature, both inner and outer, we might also be able to recognize that inner work is truly impactful in an objective ecological sense as we all hope for a solution to the natural disasters that surround us.

Christine Chapman, M. Psych Clin (Australia), is a Jungian analyst with a private practice in Colorado Springs. She is a graduate of the Research and Training Centre for Depth Psychology According to CG Jung and Marie Louise Von Franz. She serves as program director for the C.G. Jung Society of Colorado Springs, and previously served as the vice president of the C.G. Jung Society of South Australia. She can be contacted at cchapman@senet.com.au.

Thursday, March 14th, 2024: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, March 16th, 2024, 11:00am - 1:00pm

The Abduction of Kore: Transformation and Birth of a Queen

Lecture by Sheila Langston, Jungian Analyst

The ancient myth of Demeter and Kore is an enduring tale of loss and return within the realm of the feminine. It links us to the cycle of death and rebirth, marked for hundreds of years by the archaic ritual of the Eleusinian Mysteries. The motif of the abduction of Kore by Hades, and the ensuing devastation resulting from Demeter's rage and grief at the loss of her daughter, is a potent and timely story, relating to our individual, personal lives as well as to the outer world. In this lecture we will hone in on the experience of the abduction of Kore, imagine into the transformation which occurs in the underworld, and celebrate her return. We will ponder the deep meaning found in the archetypal figures and events of the tale, thereby developing a greater understanding of our own individual abductions, as well as the widespread loss of the feminine in our world.



Sheila Langston, Diplomat Jungian analyst, lives and practices in the Pacific Northwest, in Vancouver, Canada. Trained in Zurich, she works with an international clientele via Zoom, as well as in-person with clients who are closer to home. Sheila's background in theatre, specifically voice and body work, informs all her work both directly in an analytic session or workshop, and indirectly as a foundation in her lectures, teaching and practice. Sheila is a trained leader and instructor in Marion Woodman's BodySoul Rhythms work, and co-taught BodySoul intensives for many years in Ireland, Switzerland and Mexico. She also leads study groups, locally and online. Myth and dreams, creativity and the expressions of the soul are the cornerstones of her work and of her life.

Newsletters in the Digital Age

In these changing times, The CS Jung Society Board has elected to move to a digital means of publishing our Newsletter through our website and through email. We will, however, continue to distribute through traditional mailing services if requested. If in the future you would still like to receive the Newsletter in physical print, please email us at info@csjung.org so that we can place you on that list.

Thursday, April 11th, 2024: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, April 13th, 2024, 11:00am - 1:00pm

Liber Secundus: "The Adventures of the Wandering"

Lecture by Alan Drymala, Jungian Analyst



The first part of the *Red Book*, called *Liber Primus*, describes Jung's descent into the unconscious via active imagination, and his eventual meeting with the inner figures of Elijah and Salome and the black serpent. This was his powerful encounter with what he would later call the anima (soul) and the Self (or God-image) and the spirit of the earth.

Following this initial descent, he continued the journey through the unconscious, described in the second portion of the *Red Book*, called the *Liber Secundus* or "Second Book". Encountering a variety of inner figures - such as the Red One, the Anchorite, and Philemon and the Magician - he becomes conscious of further depths and dynamics of the collective unconscious.

And it is *Liber Secundus* where one finds some of the most striking paintings of Jung's *Red Book*.

This presentation will provide the key for entering into the meaning of *Liber Secundus* and will follow along on Jung's journey through the collective unconscious, as he comes to realize the "new myth" for modernity along with the new God-image for our time.

Alan Drymala is a Diplomate Jungian Analyst and a graduate of the Research and Training Center for Depth Psychology according to C.G. Jung and Marie-Louise von Franz, Zurich, Switzerland. He is licensed in Texas and Colorado as a Licensed Professional Counselor and is president of the Board of the Jung Society of Colorado Springs.

Thursday, May 9th, 2024: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, May 11th, 2024, 11:00am - 1:00pm

Encounters with the Greater Personality: The Ego's Experience of the Self

A Recorded Lecture presented by Edward Edinger, MD, Senior Jungian Analyst

Edward Edinger, the premier American Jungian analyst up until his death in 1998, was a great expositor of Jung's writings, perhaps second only to Marie-Louise von Franz in this regard. He gave us deeply insightful commentaries on many of Jung's important works, as well as worked out his own meaningful insights in books like *Ego and Archetype* and *The New God-Image*, among many others.

For tonight's presentation, we will listen to a lecture given by Dr. Edinger on the numinous experience of the Self. Many of us have had moments or periods within our inner life when the numinous or mystical or even ecstatic experiences of the unconscious broke through and changed us forever - perhaps through a dream, an illness, a dramatic life event, a revelation of Something Greater. Others of us have more quietly come to know the Greater Personality within (another term used by Jung to refer to the Self), that Divine Presence in our lives who sends us our dreams and guides our unfolding destinies and individuation.



The lecture will be supported by PowerPoint images, and the important quotes from Jung referenced by Edinger will be provided onscreen throughout, so that we can enter more fully into this most important psychological theme.

Edward F. Edinger Jr. (1922-1998) earned his Doctor of Medicine at Yale School of Medicine in 1946 and became a military doctor in the U.S. Army Medical Corp, stationed at Fort Sam in San Antonio and later in Panama. In 1951 he began Jungian analysis with Mary Esther Harding in New York and made several trips to Zurich to further his studies. He was a founding member of the C.G. Jung Foundation in Manhattan and the CG Jung Institute in New York. In 1979, he moved to Los Angeles and was a senior analyst with the CG Jung Institute of Los Angeles.

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"The very fact that through self-knowledge, that is, by exploring our own souls, we come upon the instincts and their world of imagery should throw some light on the powers slumbering in the psyche, of which we are seldom aware so long as all goes well. They are potentialities of the greatest dynamism, and it depends entirely on the preparedness and attitude of the conscious mind whether the irruption of these forces, and the images and ideas associated with them, will tend towards construction or catastrophe."

-C.G. Jung, "The Undiscovered Self", paragraph 582

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