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A Statement From the Board

A Reason and Season to be Inspired

All the presentations for our Fall season of the Jung Society have arisen out of the experience of being inspired. The inspiration for the September talk comes from a dear and wise teacher from the Centre for Depth Psychology in Switzerland, the analyst Godi Isler, now deceased. I will be reprising a special and important talk by Godi to introduce him and his wisdom to our community here. The October talk is inspired by the archetypal work of Robert Moore on the King archetype, which provides valuable guidance for us all on the true nature of King and Father, and our Board member Omid Dastan Harrison will speak of his own experience of being guided and inspired by this archetypal image. The November talk focuses on the guiding dreams and drawings of our dearly departed Donna Van Hook (with her permission given before her passing), which have inspired analyst Christine Chapman to ponder over the wisdom and deep meaning of these final dreams to share with us now. And finally, for December, we will continue in that same vein and be inspired by the creativity of several additional Society members, who will share the artistic formulation – poetry, drawing, paintings - of their own dream lives and individuation, modeling for us all these methods of active imagination. A season and a reason to be inspired.

-Alan Drymala, Board President

Thursday, September 11th, 2025: 7:00pm – 9:00pm MST

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, September 13th, 2025, 10:00am – 12:00noon

The New Pope and the Animals

Article by Gotthilf Isler, Diplomate Jungian Analyst

Read and Facilitated by Alan Drymala, Jungian Analyst



In the Grimm's fairytale, "The Three Languages," a father sends his son to be taught by three different masters, but the son learns only to understand the barking of dogs, the twittering of birds, and the croaking of frogs. In a rage, his father wants to have him killed, but the boy escapes and, because he can understand the language of dogs, he is able to retrieve a hidden treasure. Finally, with the help of two doves, he is chosen to succeed the pope, who has just died. These same doves provide him with the text of the Mass he should sing. Because he understands the language of frogs, in some European versions he is able to heal someone's daughter who is ill, while on his way to Rome.

For Gotthilf Isler, this new pope is the symbol of a new religious attitude that is being sought today in the unconscious of many individuals. It is an attitude that

has made peace with the animal world—that is, with the million-year-old knowledge of human nature that is manifest in both the instincts and archetypes of the collective unconscious.

Dr Gotthilf Isler (1930 – 2022) trained as a Jungian analyst at C. G. Jung Institute in Zurich and worked for many years with Dr. Marie-Louise von Franz. He studied folklore, European folk literature, and the history of religion in Zurich. He was a founding member and past president, for 10 years, of the Research and Training Centre for Depth Psychology according to C. G. Jung and Marie-Louise von Franz. Godi died just four days shy of his 92nd birthday on Dec 1, 2022.



Thursday, October 9th, 2025: 7:00pm – 9:00pm MST

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, October 11th, 2025, 10:00am – 12:00noon

The King Archetype: Approaching Sacred Centeredness in an Age of Extremes

Lecture by Òmid Dastán Harrison

Paralleling historical developments that brought about the end of the Kingship as the chief model of political office during the Revolutions which followed the 18th century European Enlightenment, the emerging Modern notions of the rise of the Rational State lead to the subsequent de-mystification of The Sacred in the West. Once tied to covenantal mediations between the Divine and the Human, the Sacral King was the universally accepted norm for thousands of years as the central representational model of Cosmic Order – both righteous and brutal; both good and bad – which lead to the collective evolution of our consciousness. Now under the pressures of centuries' worth of intense scrutiny and suspicion, the King has suffered the fallout of the mythological stripping that comes with a profound fall from grace – and perhaps deservedly so. Still, as modern humanity continues to enjoy its newfound situation, replete with secular political reform, incumbent material prosperity, and a razor-sharp intellect that produces extraordinary scientific advancement, it's also likewise begun to struggle adjusting to an unsuspecting ghost from the unconscious which has deigned in recent times to rear its ugly head with the prospect of facing a hauntingly uncomfortable truth: that the birth of Modernity has been bought with the terrifying cost of the loss of spirit and soul.



In this presentation, we will be drawing primarily from Robert Moore and Douglas Gilette's works surrounding their titular *King, Warrior, Magician, Lover* series, as well as other important Jungian Analysts dealing particularly with Masculine Psychology. Our conclusion will not argue for a return to the Monarchy as a political form of government; instead, our response to the horrors that our previous century's Age of Nihilism brought about, followed by today's modern crisis of consciousness, will encourage us to re-discover the original intention that the impulse towards democracy affords us: that the incorporation, and not the abnegation, of the King Archetype within each individual, is sacrosanct.

Òmid Dastán Harrison, B.A., is a graduate of the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs and works currently as a local actor of stage and screen. He is driven by an obsession inspired by Jung to incorporate the great psychological work into his artistic passions and help to distribute the visions of healing in the unconscious to audiences everywhere.

Join our Facebook Page

Please search for our official profile page on Facebook and give us a follow at **Jung Society of Colorado Springs** or follow the link to our profile found on our website, csjung.org (on the right side of the website's main page). We post regularly and would like to encourage discussion, not only on our regular posts, but also on our posts concerning our lectures, in order to foster further engagement in our Jung Society. The page is run by one of our very own board members: Sasha Elmore, Communications chair.

Roundtable Discussion Following Each Lecture

On the Saturday following each of our lectures, from 10:00am – 12:00noon, we will be hosting a **Roundtable Discussion** to reflect and respond to the lecture material presented.

This will be in-person at the home office of Christine Chapman and Alan Drymala, and also accessible via Zoom as a hybrid of both in-person and online participants.

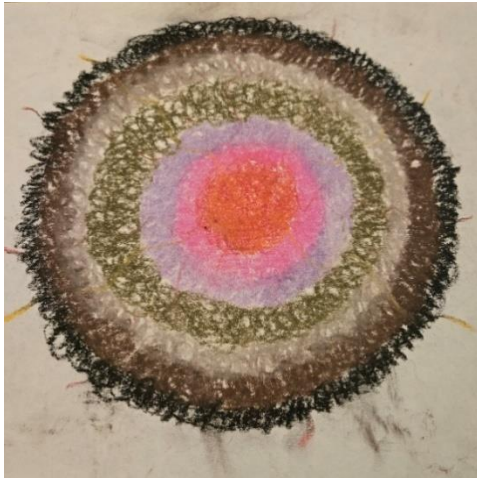
Email Alan at adrymala@gmail.com if planning to attend for directions or the Zoom

Zoom Lecture Reminder

For those who are new to the Colorado Springs Jung Society, or for those who are returning after a hiatus: our Lecture Series, which used to gather in person, now takes place over a Zoom Meeting. The link – as well as the briefings – to these meetings are sent out in an email in the weeks leading up to the event. We have chosen this route for the purpose of allowing as much access to the Lectures as can be made possible. For those craving in-person gathers, we encourage you to join our Saturday Roundtable discussions following each Lecture!

Thursday, November 13th, 2025: 7:00pm – 9:00pm MST

Roundtable Discussion: Saturday, November 15th, 2025, 10:00am – 12:00noon
self and the Self: A Lifelong Conversation on the Growth of Consciousness
Lecture by Christine Chapman, Jungian Analyst



Donna Van Hook was a valued leader and member of the Colorado Springs Jung Society for many years before her death in December 2024. Her commitment to understanding her relationship with the Self through the exploration of her dreams was a life-long interest of hers and she left behind a remarkable record of dreams and drawings from mid-life until the time of her passing. A deep and meaningful collection.

She and I spent 18 months together at the end of her life discussing her individuation themes as she prepared herself for death. She was keen to have that work shared with the Jung Society as she understood how we can support and encourage each other in the challenging process of the growth of consciousness by sharing our own material.

We will explore together a series of Donna's colored drawings and dreams from mid-life and end-of-life, which can illuminate individuation themes for us all.

Christine Chapman, Diplomat Jungian Analyst, is a graduate of the Research and Training Center for Depth Psychology according to C.G. Jung and Marie-Louise von Franz in Zurich, Switzerland. She has an analytical practice here in Colorado Springs and continues working as a clinical psychologist and analyst in Australia. She specializes in the feminine aspects of the psyche in Depth Psychology.

Thursday, December 11th, 2025: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Holiday Gathering: Saturday, December 13th, 2025, 5:00pm – 8:00pm
Our Creative Work on the Path to Wholeness: A Sharing by Society Members
Facilitated by Christine Chapman and Alan Drymala

Inspired by the spirit and creativity of our dear Donna Van Hook, we will conclude our Fall season with a sharing by invited members of their own creative expression of their inner journeys - drawings, paintings, poetry, photography, and other artistic expressions which accompany their own dream work and individuation journeys.

In preparation, consider sharing your own creative expression of your journey and contact either Christine or Alan *by the beginning of November* if you would like to present some of your symbolic work. (See contact info below.) This sharing will be done online for our full membership participation.

Holiday Gathering: And on Saturday, Dec 13th, we would like to have an Open House Holiday Gathering from 5:00pm - 8:00 pm at the home office of Alan and Christine. Those of you in the area are invited to come for an evening of time together during the holiday season. Please RSVP to adrymala@gmail.com or cchapman@senet.com.au by Dec 1st if you plan to attend and if you would like to bring any holiday treats.

Christine Chapman and Alan Drymala are Diplomat Jungian analysts trained at the Centre for Depth Psychology according to C.G. Jung and Marie-Louise von Franz in Zurich, Switzerland. Both practice in Colorado Springs and serve on the Board of the Jung Society of Colorado Springs.



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

MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$20 FOR FALL 2025 – SPRING 2026 SEASON
Lectures: \$10.00 Members, \$15.00 Non-Members; Students Free

Membership entitles you to:

- A member newsletter for both Fall and Spring terms.
- A reduced entry fee at each event per season.
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