

# IFPE

International Forum for Psychoanalytic Education

30th Annual Interdisciplinary Conference

**CALL FOR PARTICIPATION**

## **BORDERS**



**Joshua Levy, Ph.D.**

Hans W. Loewald Memorial Award

**Bandy X. Lee, M.D.**

Distinguished Psychoanalytic Educator

**Laura Cameron, Ph.D.**

Distinguished Psychoanalytic Educator

**University of Toronto  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada**

**October 17 – 19, 2019**

**[www.IFPE.org](http://www.IFPE.org)**

Psychoanalysis has always been interested in borders. We explore the space between consciousness and unconsciousness; the self and other; id, ego, and superego; phantasy and reality; psyche and soma; inside and outside; the individual, the family and the collective. We recognize both the salutary aspects of borders as when we talk about separation and individuation and the more threatening ones as in cases of traumatic violation. The consultation room can be thought of as another border where questions of boundaries and crossing of lines are played out.

Border crossings create movement and change—a kind of traveling both visible and invisible. To travel one's mind and the minds of others is an imaginative process. Geographical migration adds a visual dimension. Scattering of populations due to politics, religion, economics are frequently stories of displacement and exile. There are also stories of those who cross borders following their desires.

Countless questions can emerge from thinking about borders from political, psychological, sociological and spiritual perspectives. Humanity traveling through a broken landscape, these tensions and differences are subject to their historical context and manifest in particular ways.

*How might we analyze the historical time in which we live with the new maladies of the soul, as Julie Kristeva names them?*

In this conference we invite you to use a broad psychoanalytic lens through multiple registers, including the office space, body, geography, media, politics and art.

As IFPE crosses the border, and returns to beautiful Toronto, we welcome your proposals on the theme of borders.

*Thought starters and potential topics:*

- ❖ Thresholds
- ❖ Transitional space
- ❖ Margins
- ❖ Social trauma and nostalgia
- ❖ Diaspora
- ❖ The treatment frame
- ❖ Historical geography/ Can geography be destiny?
- ❖ Dividing lines
- ❖ Inclusion and exclusions
- ❖ Body as border
- ❖ The narcissism of small differences
- ❖ A line in the sand

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

IFPE encourages full attendee participation as we allot sufficient time for discussion. Presentations may take a variety of forms, and those with related themes may be combined into panels.

The conference booklet will contain brief abstracts and basic biographical information of all conference presenters and moderators, as well as the IFPE Membership Directory. We will also post descriptive summaries of the presentations on IFPE's website. The conference is conducted in English. Bilingual or multilingual proposals must be accompanied by an English translation.

IFPE's mission as a forum for new ideas and personal experience does not allow for CEUs.

Certificates of attendance will be emailed to attendees after the conference.

# PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS

We invite proposals for individual papers and panels that explore the theme of Borders. IFPE is an interdisciplinary conference – we invite ideas from literature, literary criticism, history, politics, sexuality, psychology, querying queerness, biography, art, and different psychoanalytic perspectives. We encourage new hybrid thinking -- arts mixed with science, fiction laced with psychoanalysis.

Download the proposal submission form: [www.IFPE.org/2019-conference](http://www.IFPE.org/2019-conference). Or to have a copy emailed to you, contact [Admin@IFPE.org](mailto:Admin@IFPE.org). Please provide your name, and email address.

Submit the form electronically no later than **May 1, 2019**. All sections must be filled out and include your contact information, presentation title, a 200-500 word abstract, a 50-word summary abstract for the conference booklet, permission to use your summary on our website, a request for audio-visual equipment if appropriate, and a brief biographical statement.

If submitting a proposal for a panel, please use the Panel Proposal form and submit the panel presentation as one proposal, on behalf of all panel participants.

To learn more about IFPE, including information on becoming a member and to read *Other/Wise*, the journal of the International Forum for Psychoanalytic Education, go to [www.IFPE.org](http://www.IFPE.org).

## Hotel Room Block Information

DoubleTree by Hilton Toronto Downtown, 108 Chestnut Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (located directly across the street from the Chestnut Conference Center at the University of Toronto).

Hotel room rates: Single \$199 or Double \$209 Canadian/Single \$145.89 USD or Double \$153.22 USD per night, plus local taxes, reserved prior to September 24<sup>th</sup>, and based on room block availability.

Questions? Contact Lois Ehrlich, Administrator:

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**FOUNDED IN 1991, IFPE IS AN INCLUSIVE ORGANIZATION WHOSE MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ANYONE WITH A SELF-DEFINED INTEREST IN THE VARYING DISCOURSES OF PSYCHOANALYSIS: CLINICAL, ACADEMIC, ARTISTIC, LITERARY, PHILOSOPHICAL.**

**IFPE SEEKS TO CREATE AN ALIVE SPACE FOR UNDERSTANDING PSYCHOANALYSIS WHERE EACH PERSON CAN EVOLVE.**

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AND CREATIVE PERSPECTIVES, THE THREADS OF WHICH ARE WOVEN  
INTO THE FABRIC OF OUR GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE  
AND THE PRACTICE OF OUR ANNUAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCES.**