

Biographies

Dr. Ellen Lacter

Dr. Ellen Lacter is a clinical psychologist In California, USA, for 23 years and has specialised in the treatment of dissociative disorders and ritual abuse and mind control trauma in both children and adults for the last 12 years. She has a number of published chapters in edited books on the subject of ritual abuse and mind control. She is program coordinator for the Play Therapy Certificate Program at University of California San Diego-Extension. She is also an activist on behalf of victims of ritual abuse and mind control, and maintains a website to educate the public and mental health community on these subjects: <http://www.endritualabuse.org/>

Orit Badouk Epstein

Orit Badouk Epstein is a member of The Bowlby Centre, where she is part of the executive, co-ordinating the publicity and writing for the journal Attachment. She works as a relational psychotherapist in private practice and has a particular interest and passion for working with individuals who have experienced extreme abuse and trauma, DID, ritual abuse and working relationally with parents. Orit describes herself as an optimist.

Professor Nigel Beail

Professor Nigel Beail is Consultant Clinical Psychologist and Head of Psychological Services for NHS Barnsley Professor and Clinical Lecturer at the University of Sheffield. Nigel is President of the European Association for Mental Health in Intellectual Disabilities, Secretary of the Institute of Psychotherapy and Disability and a Trustee of the British Institute of Learning Disabilities. He is a committee member of the British Psychological Society's Faculty for Learning Disability. In 2004 Nigel was appointed by the Minister of Health to the Mental Health Act Implementation Advisory Group at the Department of Health. Nigel's clinical work includes providing psychological interventions to meet the needs of people with learning disabilities who present with a wide range of problems. He specialises in work with clients who self injure, those that offend or have significant mental health problems. Nigel has a particular interest in the provision and evaluation of psychological psychotherapies for people who have intellectual disabilities and has pioneered outcome research in the area.

Jacqui Dillon

Jacqui Dillon is a survivor of organised ritual abuse, torture and mind control. She is the national Chair of the Hearing Voices Network, a charity which works to promote acceptance and understanding of the experiences of hearing voices, seeing visions, tactile sensations and other sensory experiences. She is a writer, campaigner, international speaker and trainer specialising in hearing voices, psychosis and trauma.

Graeme Galton

Graeme Galton is a psychoanalytic psychotherapist in the National Health Service and in private practice. He is a consultant psychotherapist at the Clinic for Dissociative Studies, a small specialist outpatient mental health service for people suffering from severe trauma and dissociation. He also works at the Parkside Clinic in London, working with individuals and groups in an NHS outpatient psychotherapy service. He is a registered member of the Bowlby Centre, where he is a training supervisor and teaches on the clinical training programme. He is also a visiting tutor at the School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Psychology, Regent's College, London. He edited the book Touch Papers: Dialogues on Touch in the Psychoanalytic Space (Karnac, 2006) and co-edited Forensic Aspects of Dissociative Identity Disorder (Karnac, 2008).

Sue Richardson

Sue Richardson is a member of The John Bowlby Centre with over 30 years experience in the helping professions. Her personal and professional attachment networks are in the north east of England from where she provides training, consultation and supervision for those working with complex trauma and dissociation. Sue is a member of the European Society for Trauma and Dissociation (ESTD) and the International Society for the Study of Dissociation (ISSTD) and a founder member of their UK networks. She belongs to the training faculty of ISSTD and is the Training Co-ordinator for ESTD UK. She is the co-editor and co-author of two books and a number of published papers concerning child abuse trauma, attachment and dissociation. Sue will share her experience of working with survivors of ritual abuse and what she has learned along the way. She will focus on ways in which both therapist and survivor can maintain a sense of agency when confronted by the manipulation of attachment needs.

Note: This presentation does not contain any specific images or descriptions of abuse which might be triggering.

Adah Sachs

Adah Sachs is an Attachment-based Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist. She is a consultant psychotherapist at the Clinic for Dissociative Studies, an NHS specialist service-provider for people suffering from severe trauma and dissociation. She has worked for many years as a psychotherapist in psychiatric hospitals, with adults and adolescents. She is a visiting lecturer and a training supervisor at the John Bowlby Centre and at the Centre for Child Mental Health. She lectures widely on different aspects of trauma, and maintains a small private practice. Her co-edited book Forensic Aspects of Dissociative Identity Disorder was published by Karnac in 2008.

Valerie Sinason

Valerie Sinason is a poet, writer, child and adult psychoanalytic psychotherapist and adult psychoanalyst. She is Director of the Clinic for Dissociative Studies, Hon Consultant Psychotherapist for Cape Town Child Guidance Clinic and President of the Institute for Psychotherapy and Disability. She has been a Consultant at the Tavistock and Portman Clinics until 1998 when she left to start the Clinic for Dissociative Studies. She has also been a Consultant Research Psychotherapist at St Georges Hospital Medical School. She specialises in trauma, disability, abuse and dissociation. In 1994 she published "Treating Survivors of Satanist Abuse" through Routledge as a result of a D.O.H.funded clinical piece of research carried out at the Portman Clinic. Her most recent book "Attachment, Trauma and Multiplicity" (Routledge) is coming out in a Revised Edition next year.

Rachel Wingfield

Rachel Wingfield is a UKCP Registered Psychotherapist and is the Chair of the Bowlby Centre (formerly Centre for Attachment-based Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy), where she is also a training supervisor and teacher. Rachel has a wide range of clinical experience in a variety of settings including schools and prisons, and specialises in working with survivors of trauma and abuse, including sexual abuse, rape, domestic violence, war, state terror, ritual and cult abuse. Rachel has been working with ritual abuse survivors since 1993 and is passionately committed to ending the disbelief and silence surrounding this issue. Rachel is also a psychotherapist with the Clinic for Dissociative Studies.

Information

Venue

London Voluntary Sector Resource Centre
Holloway Road
London

Dates

Friday 25th and Saturday 26th September 2009

Refreshments

Tea/coffee and light lunch

Transport

Holloway Road Tube Station – Piccadilly Line

Access

The building is wheelchair accessible

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Present

Ritual Abuse and Mind Control: The Manipulation of Attachment Needs

Keynote speaker: Ellen Lacter

Other speakers include:

Orit Badouk Epstein
Nigel Beail
Jacqui Dillon
Graeme Galton
Sue Richardson
Adah Sachs
Valerie Sinason
Rachel Wingfield

London Voluntary Sector Resource Centre, Holloway Road, London
Friday 25th - Saturday 26th September 2009

About the Conference

Hosted by **The Bowlby Centre (formerly the Centre for Attachment-based Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy)** and the **Clinic for Dissociative Studies**.

Ellen Lacter will be the key note speaker from the US at a forthcoming conference which will explore the contemporary state of affairs with regards to the understanding and treatment of ritual abuse and mind control and will propose a new relational and attachment orientated paradigm for the 21st century. Valerie Sinason will present a Key note speech from the UK perspective.

People who have survived ritual abuse or mind control experiments have often been silenced, accused of lying, mocked and disbelieved in society. Clinicians working with survivors often find themselves isolated, facing the same levels of disbelief and denial from other professionals within the mental health field. This conference aims to provide an opportunity to share knowledge and experience from both clinicians and survivors, building links between the UK and the US in moving forward to promote understanding and recovery from organised and ritual abuse, mind control and programming. This field is only just beginning to grow and develop, and we have a great deal to learn from one another. The conference also aims to provide space for debriefing, so that there is an opportunity for small groups to meet to process some of the dysregulating and painful issues which will be explored by speakers at the conference. The conference will combine clinical presentations, survivors' voices, and research material and will be the first conference in the UK to address the ways in which we can work clinically with mind control and cult programming from the perspective of relational psychotherapy. This is also a unique opportunity to hear Ellen Lacter bring up-to-date knowledge from the US on treatment for the impact of mind control experiments and approaches to deprogramming.

Programme

Friday 25th

9.00 am	Registration
10.00 am	Introduction: Fay Maxted CEO 'The Survivors' Trust
10.15 – 11.00	Rachel Wingfield 'An Evil Cradling'? Cult Practices and the Manipulation of Attachment Needs in Ritual Abuse Chaired by Kate White, Co-founder of The Bowlby Centre
	Coffee Break
11.15 – 12.15	Ellen Lacter Torture-based Mind Control: Psychological Mechanisms of "Installation" and continued control Chaired by Joseph Schwartz, Editor of ATTACHMENT
12.15 – 12.45	Discussion
12.45 – 1.30	Lunch
1.30 – 2.15	Jacqui Dillon Love Is My Religion!: Surviving Ritual Abuse Chaired by Dr. Joan Coleman, Founder of RAINS
2.15 – 2.45	Graham Galton "Just Leave Out the Word Ritual" Chaired by Dr. Joan Coleman, Founder of RAINS
	Debriefing groups
	Tea break
3.45 – 4.15	Orit Badouk Epstein Working With The Incredible Hulk Chaired by Dr. Pat Frankish, Consultant Clinical Psychologist

4.15 – 4.45

Sue Richardson

Maintaining Agency: A Therapist's Journey

Chaired by Dr. Pat Frankish, Consultant Clinical Psychologist

4.45 – 5.00

Discussion

Saturday 26th

10.00 a.m.

Introduction: **Sir Richard Bowlby**

Valerie Sinason

20 Years of Work with Ritual Abuse: Where Are We Now?

Chaired by Emerald Davis, Vice Chair, The Bowlby Centre

Coffee break

11.30 – 12.30

Ellen Lacter

Psychotherapeutic Approaches to Overcoming Mind Control Programming

Chaired by Joseph Schwartz, Editor of ATTACHMENT

12.30 – 1.00

Discussion

1.00 – 1.45

Lunch

1.45 – 2.30

Debriefing

2.30 – 3.10

Adah Sachs

The RA Family: an attachment perspective on a forensic relationship

Chaired by Kate White, Co-founder of The Bowlby Centre

3.10 - 3.40

Nigel Beail

Ritual Abuse and Learning Disability

Chaired by Dr. Pat Frankish, Consultant Clinical Psychologist

3.40

Plenary and discussion

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