



Australian Association for
Infant Mental Health
West Australian Branch

"Developmentally Informed Psychotherapy of Autism" Videoconference presented By Anne Alvarez



"The triad of symptoms of autism from the point of view of a two-person or interactional perspective: that is, the observation by the psychotherapist of first, her feelings and responses to the behaviour of the autistic child (the observer as the observed) and second, the child's response to her responses. The type of information thus gained is vital for treatment, but also provides a fuller descriptive psychology of autism than that provided by a one-person psychology. Such an approach involves a study of interpersonal relations and in particular, infantile ones, and of the stage of development of emotional communication existent in the normal, non-autistic part of the child."

Anne Alvarez, PhD, M.A.C.P is a Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist (and retired Co-Convener of the Autism Service, Child and Family Dept. Tavistock Clinic, London where she still teaches). She is author of Live Company: Psychotherapy with Autistic, Borderline, Deprived and Abused Children, and has edited with Susan Reid, Autism and Personality: Findings from the Tavistock Autism Workshop. A book in her honour, edited by Judith Edwards, entitled Being Alive: Building on the Work of Anne Alvarez was published in 2002. She was Visiting Professor at the San Francisco Psychoanalytic Society in November 2005 and is an Honorary Member of the Psychoanalytic Centre of California. Her latest book, The Thinking Heart: Three Levels of Psychoanalytic Therapy with Disturbed Children was published in April 2012 by Routledge.

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Cost: AAIMHI WA Members \$20 / Non-members \$40

Full time students (show Uni ID card): AAIMHI WA Members \$10 / Non-members \$25

RSVP: Please visit www.dramatix.com and find the seminar under "Upcoming Shows".

You will be able to purchase tickets online until 48 hours before the event. If you have queries about making the payment online, please contact aaimhiwatrainig2@gmail.com

Rural clinicians are invited to join for free via teleconference and are asked to please RSVP to Cherie Braden aaimhiwatrainig@gmail.com

5:30pm Drinks and light supper (Gluten free and vegetarian options available)

6:00-8pm Presentation VC and discussion

NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE:

The Boulevard Centre, Floreat Boulevard
99 The Blvd, Floreat

CAR PARKING: In the interest of retaining public access to the Floreat Forum Shopping Centre, there is a *three hour parking limit *

Competencies addressed :

Theoretical Foundations: Disorders of infancy/ early childhood

Direct Service Skills : Observation & Listening



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