

#WithUkrainianJungians

Walking alongside our Ukrainian colleagues and all those facing erasure

‘Making the Unsayable Experiential’ (BB7)

Webinar 4

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Tuesday 25th April 2023 18:00 GMT

Lionel Corbett & Olena Pozdieieva

Jung’s notion of the Self: An emerging new God-image

Chair: Alessandra di Montezemolo

All are welcome

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The monthly gathering at the #WUJ Webinars

These webinars form part of the #WithUkrainianJungians (#WUJ) Project which invites the international Jungian community to gather once a month as a community for 16 months in solidarity with our Ukrainian colleagues and any other colleagues whose people are facing erasure.

The webinars are led by eminent Jungians in collaboration with some of our Ukrainian colleagues. The purpose is to build a strong container to hold our Ukrainian colleagues - and any other colleagues whose community is facing erasure - during a time of immense trauma.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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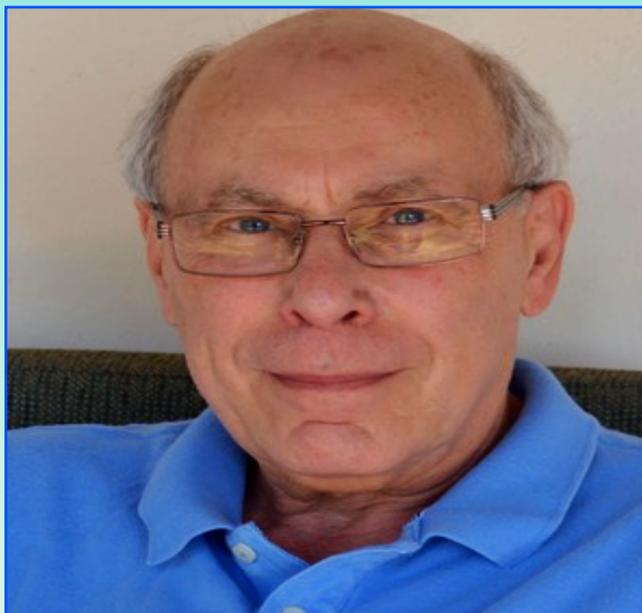
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Jung's notion of the Self: An emerging new God-image

Lionel writes:

The atrocities happening in Ukraine put me in mind of Jung's notion of the dark side of the Self. This kind of large-scale evil and suffering is almost unbearable to witness. It seems to be more than purely human evil, and it requires the response of the entire community as well as the contribution of individuals. Such collective evil is an ancient and eternal spiritual and psychological problem. I would like to contribute to a discussion about how we might try to contain and relate to this archetypal shadow, and I would like to participate in supporting our Ukrainian colleagues in the process.



Dr. Lionel Corbett trained in medicine and psychiatry in England and as a Jungian Analyst at the C.G. Jung Institute of Chicago. He is a professor of depth psychology at Pacifica Graduate Institute, in Santa Barbara, California. He is the author of six books: *Psyche and the sacred: The religious function of the psyche*; *The sacred cauldron: Psychotherapy as a spiritual practice*; *The soul in anguish: Psychotherapeutic approaches to suffering*; *Understanding Evil: A guide for psychotherapists*, and *The God-image: From antiquity to Jung*. He is the co-editor of four volumes of collected papers: *Psyche's Stories*; *Depth psychology, meditations in the field*; *Psychology at the threshold*; and *Jung and aging*. Contact email: corb@pacific.edu

Lionel continues...

This lecture will contrast Jung's notion of the Self with traditional theistic approaches to the divine. I will describe the range of ways in which the Self may appear within the psyche.

I will discuss the ways in which Jung's approach avoids the philosophical problems associated with the idea of God found in the Judeo-Christian tradition, and I will show how Jung's approach allows the development of a personal spirituality rather than one based on doctrine and dogma.

*I will discuss Jung's notion of the dark side of the Self in his *Answer to Job*, and the arguments with theologians this book produced.*

Olena Pozdieieva



Olena writes:

Before the outbreak of the full-scale war, I was thinking about God, about how this topic resonates in me, how it relates to my professional position? After the war started, I realised that this is not just an image inside me, it is my relationship, my sincere and new relationship with myself, with pain, despair and horrors of war, relationships, people, events, feelings that have been revealed in a new way. Everything becomes more obvious, but at the same time, less clear and unambiguous. What kind of God of war is he? What forces does he raise?

What becomes a point of support when all the previous verified meanings collapse?

Perhaps war is a place of transformation of our ideas about God, and perhaps enlightenment at the junction of realities?

Olena Pozdieieva is a Jungian analyst, Vice President of the Ukrainian Jungian Association and former President of PADAP (Professional Association of Child Analytical Psychologists), a member of UGR (Ukrainian Development Group), a member of the Czech Association of Psychotherapy and author of articles on Jungian analysis. She likes to explore the intersection of analytical psychology and art. Olena comes from the northern Black Sea region of Ukraine and loves the history of her land, which has always been a place of intersection of different cultures, starting from the C16 & C11 BC. Each culture brought its own values and works of art, that enriched our culture, but what has always remained unchanged for Olena is the free wind of the Ukrainian steppes.

Alessandra di Montezemolo

Alessandra writes:

I am honoured to join this significant webinar as moderator, within this courageous initiative together with our Ukrainian Colleagues, especially on this very special date. April 25th is a National Liberation day in Italy. On this precise day, in 1945, my country recovered its freedom from the nazi-fascist regime, and it is important to remember freedom from oppression and tyranny is always possible then and today...

I will continue to engage side by side with our Ukrainian colleagues, in our common and continuous quest for deep meaning and freedom in these thought-defying times. In preparing for April 25th, I would like to honour our colleagues with the words of a great German woman and philosopher that I have always recognised as having parallel relevant reflections to those of CG Jung on Self and Evil:

You are quite right, I changed my mind and do no longer speak of “radical evil.” ... It is indeed my opinion now that evil is never “radical,” that it is only extreme, and that it possesses neither depth nor any demonic dimension. It can overgrow and lay waste the whole world precisely because it spreads like a fungus on the surface. It is “thought-defying,” as I said, because thought tries to reach some depth, to go to the roots, and the moment it concerns itself with evil, it is frustrated because there is nothing. That is its “banality.” Only the good has depth that can be radical.(letter to Scholem December 1964)” Hannah Arendt



Alessandra di Montezemolo is a clinical psychologist and a training analyst at the CG Jung Institute in Zurich. She recently published several articles in French and Italian in Analytical Psychology journals.

Alessandra, is Italian but lived in seven countries in four different continents. She speaks and works clinically in four different languages and as a multi-cultural psychoanalyst actively engaged in today's world, she is particularly interested in building bridges between humanities, social sciences, and the different psychological approaches.

Money Matters:



Sally Arthur, from the #WUJ Organising Committee

Sally writes:

Thank you to everyone who has already donated. We have received donations from all around the world.

What the money is used for

With this money we have been able to support our Ukrainian colleagues in, to name a few examples: food and housing; making bomb-damaged homes safe; transport costs to leave dangerous zones in Ukraine; essential supplies for families who find themselves refugees outside their country; medical bills; ongoing costs of training and supervision to colleagues who continue to work with their Ukrainian clients for free.

Money raised so far

The Ann Ulanov event in money raised £35,000 which went directly to our Ukrainian colleagues. So far the Webinars have raised £8,628. The Webinars are free to those from Ukraine. Everyone else is invited to make a donation. We have suggested a sliding scale based on the World Bank's country wealth ratings, to give donors an idea of how much they might contribute.

Tracking the money

The money that you donate is paid by GoFundMe (less their commission) directly to GAP's bank account. GAP is an IAAP Member and a charity registered in the UK. GAP transfers the money to two Ukraine bank accounts, one connected to UDG and the other to UJA. From there the money is paid out on #WUJ's instruction into Ukrainian colleagues' bank (or PayPal) accounts. Our colleague then acknowledges receipt of funds to #WUJ. All the money can be traced.

The only people being paid by #WUJ are our Ukrainian interpreters. The cost of the Zoom licence and two hours of technical support is being paid separately by generous sponsors. Everyone else is working for free. We are very grateful to everyone for their generosity.

Who is eligible?

Any Ukrainian colleague suffering financial hardship who can be vouched for by the UJA or UDG may apply for funds. Please email #WUJ at wuj@citypsychotherapy.org

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- **German**
- **Spanish**
- **Italian**
- **French**
- **Portuguese**
- **Ukrainian**

With thanks to our 29-strong team of volunteer professional interpreters, who are offering this as their contribution to Ukraine.



Booking

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2.

Book your ticket

- **Webinar 4: Lionel Corbett & Olena Pozdieieva**
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Social Dreaming Matrix

Tuesday 12th September 2023 18:00BST

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Simultaneous translation into Ukrainian

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Webinar Recordings

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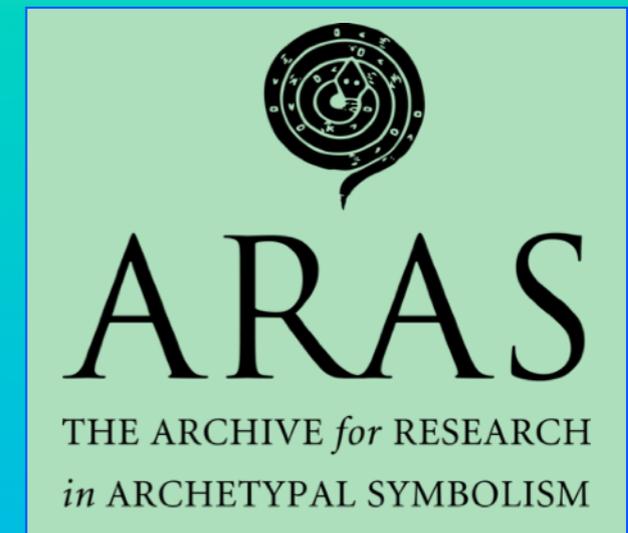
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Webinar 1: Joe Cambray & Inna Kyryliuk
'Synchronicity and Trauma'

Webinar 2: Sonu Shamdasani & Svitlana Shevchenko
'Jung's New Cure of Souls: Reflections on Jung's practice and later shifts in Analytical Psychology.'

Please feel free to share the link and to make a donation:

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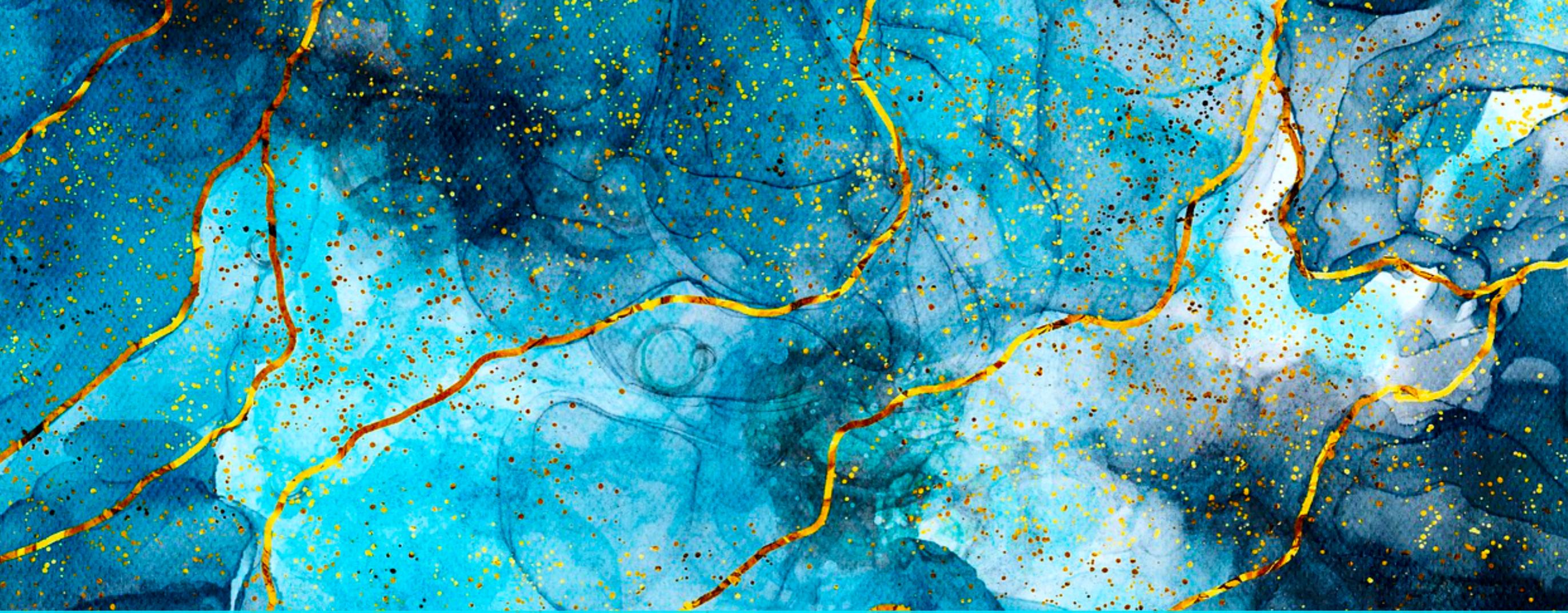
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Marilyn Mathew writes:

*This background image resonated with me after hearing **Joe Cambray & Inna Kyrlyuk's** beautiful & moving webinar on '**Synchronicity and Trauma**'. Synchronistically I then found that Joe had posted a photo of a Japanese **Kintsugi** bowl on the **ARAS Gallery** website - an image of a shattered blue ceramic bowl repaired using the Kintsugi art form, which uses gold to mend the cracks, creating luminescence and greater value through repair than was original present.*

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