

ICP+P 29th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Erotic Dimensions in the Analytic Relationship:
Creativity in Clinical Practice
Featuring Dianne Elise, PhD

Saturday, May 6, 2023
 10:30 am - 3:45 pm ET

Virtual Zoom Event
 4.0 CEs

In this presentation, Dr. Dianne Elise will be making use of a Winnicottian formulation of the analytic field to highlight the often unspoken, implicit erotic dimensions of our work. In the morning paper, material will be presented from an analysis with a very inhibited, obsessional man, where both patient and analyst seemed to have trouble “locating” one another within the analytic field. Paradoxically, a felt sense of connection was also palpable, and possibly/impossibly erotic. Movement in the treatment required the development of what Elise came to think of as an “erotic sonar”—a “sounding” in the erotic body of each participant that could indicate the place of a creative connection. In the afternoon, clinical work with a depressed woman is used to illustrate how analytic eroticism is crucial in retaining access to the clinician’s vitality in work with deadened states and deadening dynamics.

At the conclusion of this conference, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss ways in which analytic field theory aids clinical work with transference/countertransference dynamics.
2. Describe varying expressions of sexuality that may emerge in the clinical dyad within the intersubjective analytic field.
3. Assess the extent to which a patient’s access to sexual desire reflects an important indicator of the patient’s vitality.
4. Apply the concept of eroticism in the maternal matrix to treatment of dynamics of constriction and depression.

References:

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- Elise, D. (2017). Moving from within the maternal: The choreography of analytic eroticism. *Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association*, 65, 33-60.
- Elise, D. (2015). Eroticism in the maternal matrix: Infusion through development and the clinical situation”. *fort da*, 21, 17-32.

This conference is appropriate for clinicians at all levels of experience and offers 4 CEs.

About our Presenter:



Dr. Dianne Elise is a Personal and Supervising Analyst and Faculty member of the Psychoanalytic Institute of Northern California, a Training Analyst of the International Psychoanalytic Association and has served on the Editorial Boards of the Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association and Studies in Gender and Sexuality. Her over 30 psychoanalytic publications include wide-ranging papers and book chapters on the subjects of gender, sexuality, and erotic transference. Elise’s 2019 book with Routledge, *Creativity and the Erotic Dimensions of the Analytic Field*, expands her work in innovative ways and presents her contemporary thinking on erotic life in psychoanalysis. Nationally recognized for her thought-provoking contributions to the psychoanalytic literature on gender and sexuality, she has consistently challenged conventional accounts of development. She has recently developed the concept of analytic eroticism to portray the role of libidinal vitality in clinical treatment. She is in private practice in Oakland, California.

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