

Panel 6A: Failure as Depicted in the Arts and Literature

11:00 - 12:45

- Renee Cherow-O’Leary**, *Columbia*
Failure as Represented in the Arts and Humanities
- Mark Egit**, *Toronto*
Failure as Development
- Henry Seiden**, *Division 39 of the APA*
You Can’t Go Home Again
- Sara Weber**, *Psa Soc*
Free Fall: Spaciousness or Madness?

Panel 6B: Winnicott, the Middle Group and Failure

11:00 - 12:45

- Ionas Sapountzis**, *Adelphi*
The Failure to Understand as a Transitional Experience
- Graham Clarke and Paul Finnegan**, *Toronto*
Disillusions and Endopsychic Structure: Winnicott, Suttie, Macmurray and Fairbairn
- Frances Clark**, *Scotland*
Whatever Happened? A Clinical Evaluation of the Relationship between Humpty Dumpty and the Wall
- Valentina Harrell**, *White*
Winnicott’s Empathic Failure vs. Enactment Communication: Discussion of Clinical Examples

Panel 7A: The Specter of Failure in Treatment

1:45 - 3:15

- M. Kim Sarasohn**, *Psa Soc*
Rendering Me Helpless: Making Sense of Chronic Depression and Its Treatment
- Linda Bergman**, *Adelphi*
A Failed Treatment, or Was It?
- Jenny Kaufmann**, *White*
The Failure of the Idealized Object and the Success of Being Real

Panel 7B: Shame and the Sense of Failure

1:45 - 3:15

- Sally Swartz**, *University of Cape Town*
Shame, Envy and Gratitude: Some Reflections on Failure and the South African Psychoanalytic Community
- Amira Simha-Alpern**, *Adelphi*
“Dora” and the Bathwater: A Relational Perspective on Psychoanalytic Failure
- Peter Shabad**, *Chic. Inst. for Psa.*
Through the Mind Darkly: The Transformation of Tragedy into Shame and Self-Pity

Panel 8A: The Personal Experience of Failure

3:45 - 5:15

- John Sloane**, *Toronto*
Psychoanalytic Identity, A View from Purgatory: Reflections on the Experience of Being Judged Unacceptable as a Training Analyst
- Gerald Gargiulo**, *NPAP*
Through the Lens of Hope
- Robert Besner**, *Toronto*
How I Lost My Life and Found it Again—Sort of: A Personal Journey of Loss and Adaptation

Panel 8B: Failing our Children

3:45 - 5:15

- Stephen Hyman**, *Adelphi*
Whose Report Card is it Anyway? Working with Parents Whose Self Worth is Determined by Their Child’s Achievement
- Elizabeth Allured**, *Adelphi*
Blind Spot in the Analytic Lens: Our Failure to Address Environmental Uncertainty
- Brent Willock**, *Toronto*
The Man Who Mistook His Daughter for His Ex-Wife

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday:

- 6:30 Registration
- 7:00 Welcoming Remarks
- 7:15 Dinner
- 8:15 Keynote Address
- 9:15 Small Group Activity



Saturday:

- 7:30 - 8:45 Breakfast
- 8:45 - 10:30 Panels 1A and 1B
- 10:30 - 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00 - 12:45 Panels 2A and 2B
- 12:45 - 1:45 Lunch
- 1:45 - 3:30 Panels 3A and 3B
- 3:30 - 4:00 Coffee Break
- 4:00 - 5:30 Panels 4A and 4B
- 6:00 Scenic Drive to Glenturret Distillery
- 7:00 - 11:00 Dinner, Music and Dancing



Sunday:

- 7:30 - 8:45 Breakfast
- 8:45 - 10:30 Panels 5A and 5B
- 10:30 - 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00 - 12:45 Panels 6A and 6B
- 12:45 - 1:45 Lunch
- 1:45 - 3:15 Panel 7A and 7B
- 3:15 - 3:45 Coffee Break
- 3:45 - 5:15 Panels 8A and 8B
- 5:30 - 7:00 Closing Cocktail Party

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PSYCHOANALYTIC
EXPLORATIONS**



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- Lori Bohm, White
- Frances Clark, Scotland
- Amanda Cornish, Scotland
- Rebecca Curtis, White & Adelphi
- Michael O’Loughlin, Adelphi
- Michael Stern, Psa Soc
- Brent Willock, Toronto
- Ionas Sapountzis, Adelphi, chair

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

- 6:30 Registration
- 7:00 Welcoming Remarks:
Amanda Cornish, *Scotland*
Ionas Sapountzis, *Adelphi*
- 8:15 *Keynote Address: Richard Holloway, Former Bishop of Edinburgh*
Fail Better
- 9:15 Small Group Activity: Exposure to Failure in Our Own Lives

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

Panel 1A: Facing Mortality/ Life Appraisal

8:45 - 10:30

- Joan Yager**, *Psa Soc*
Embracing Who I Am Now: Working Through Issues with Older Adults
- J. Gail White and Michelle Flax**, *Toronto*
Failure of the Body: Perseverance of the Spirit
- Robert Langan**, *White*
Brief Candle
- Rhonda Sternberg**, *Psa Soc*
"What If I Had Only a Year To Live?" Reflections on Feelings of Failure, Regret and Working Through

Panel 1B: Impossible Mourning and the Limits of Therapy

8:45 - 10:30

- Michael O'Loughlin**, *Adelphi*
When Speech and Reason Falter: Working with Impossible Mourning
- Marilyn Charles**, *Austen Riggs Center*
Falling Through the Rabbit Hole: Bearing the Unbearable with Victims of Unspeakable Trauma
- Estelle Rapaport**, *Adelphi*
Growing Up in the Shadow of the Holocaust: Addressing the Struggle to Mourn Across Generations
- Sharron Kaplan**, *Adelphi*
Failure. Limitations. Exploring the Worst

Panel 2A: Fear of Failure/ Self Destruction

11:00 - 12:45

- Robert Mendelsohn**, *Adelphi*
Clutching Defeat from the Jaws of Victory: Failure, Self-Destruction, and the Icarus Myth
- Mark Borg**, *White*
Failing Better: Working Through Chronic System/ Personal/ Treatment Failures in Psychoanalysis
- Christopher McIntosh**, *Toronto*
Standing Tall: Bodily Metaphors in a Case of Self-Defeating Personal Failure
- Rivka Greenberg**, *Psa Soc*
Fear of Failure as a Defense against Separation Anxiety

Panel 2B: Bodily Failure

11:00 - 12:45

- Patricia Vitacco**, *Psa Soc*
When the Body Fails Us
- Maureen O'Reilly-Landry**, *Psa Soc*
Failed Organs, New Relationships: Whose Kidney Is It Anyway?
- Judith Levene**, *Toronto*
The Big Hit: How Adult Illness Can Recapitulate Childhood Trauma and Fears of Failure
- Joy Dryer**, *Psa Soc*
Failure: A Clinical Reassessment of the Concept

Panel 3A: Defining Failure

1:45 - 3:30

- Harold Davis**, *Psa Soc*
What Fails in Failure and Whose Failure Is It?
- John O'Leary**, *White*
The Forty % Theory: Failure as a Matter of Interpretation
- Janet Benton**, *White*
Success and Failure: Definers or Constrainers?
- Michael Stern**, *Psa Soc*
The Challenge of Obsolescence

Panel 3B: Issues Contributing to Therapeutic Failure

1:45 - 3:30

- Bruce Herzog**, *Toronto*
Second-Hand Rose: Attempting a Second Analysis as Second Best Analyst
- Barbara Waxenberg**, *Psa Soc*
The Perils of Perfidy: An Odyssey Through a Psychoanalytic Failure
- Jani Klebanow**, *Adelphi*
The Analyst as Failure: Making Meaning Out of One's Mistakes
- Jean Principe**, *Psa Soc*
Termination: Separating Failure from Success

Panel 4A: Suicide

4:00 - 5:30

- Ronald Ruskin**, *Toronto*
The Tragic Impact of Failure and Dread: Therapists Whose Patients Suicide
- Marsha Hewitt**, *Toronto*
Thinking through Therapeutic Failure with the Suicide Patient
- Rebecca Curtis**, *White*
Fame, Fortune and Failure: Trying to Understand the Suicides of Celebrities and Successful People

Panel 4B: Theoretical Concepts of Failure and Forgiveness

4:00 - 5:30

- Paul Finnegan and Graham Clarke**, *Toronto*
A Fairbairnian Perspective on Failure in the Analysis of the Wolf Man
- Ann Baranowski**, *Toronto*
Otto Rank's Notion of the Neurotic as "Artiste Manque" ("Failed Artist")
- Karl Loszak**, *Toronto*
Failing with Grace: How a Golden Thread of Forgiveness Runs through Psychoanalysis

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

Panel 5A: Learning from Failure/ Resilience

8:45 - 10:30

- Sandra Buechler**, *White*
Bouncing Back: Therapeutic Resilience
- Lori Bohm**, *White*
Failure as a Spur to Growth
- Sue Wallace**, *Scotland*
Very Small Steps: Maintaining Resilience and Compassion in the Face of 'Failure' in Working with Homeless People
- Melinda Blitzer and Heather Perrin-Boyle**, *Adelphi*
Struggling with a Struggling Group: Transforming Failure into Professional Growth

Panel 5B: Failures in Couples/Failures of Intimacy

8:45 - 10:30

- Jeffrey Rubin**, *Westchester Institute*
Failures of Intimacy and Their Transformation
- Molly Ludlum**, *Scotland*
Relationship Breakdown: What Role for the Couples Psychotherapist?
- Alison Ross**, *Psa Soc*
Failed Marriages: Two Husbands in Treatment
- Maria Gurevich**, *Toronto*
"Desperately Seeking a Love Object": Dissociated Desires and the Failure to Sustain Mutual Recognition

