
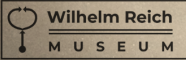


Getting to
the Core:
Wilhelm Reich's
Therapeutic
Principles

A 5-DAY CONFERENCE
JULY 24-28, 2023
ONLINE AND IN RANGELEY, MAINE

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Morning Sessions Broadcast Over Zoom Video
In-person and Online 9:00 am to 12:00 noon ET

Afternoon/Evening Activities
in Rangeley, In-person Only

This conference will focus on the therapeutic theories and techniques developed and taught by Wilhelm Reich, M.D., originally a psychoanalyst and pupil of Freud who is regarded as the father of body-psychotherapy. On each day of the conference there will be talks broadcast over Zoom video for all participants, both in-person and online, with simultaneous English-Spanish translation provided. These talks will occur during the morning hours, Eastern Daylight Time.

For those who attend the conference in-person, there will be additional afternoon and evening activities. In-person attendees may be asked to wear masks during some indoor activities, subject to current conditions. All Zoom sessions will be recorded and made available for later viewing by approximately mid-August.

SCHEDULE OF TALKS BROADCAST OVER ZOOM VIDEO
(times are Eastern Daylight)

MONDAY – JULY 24 - THE LIVING CONNECTION



Xavier Serrano

Bioenergetic Pulsation and Vegetative Currents

9:00 am - 10:30 am EDT

Xavier Serrano Hortelano is Director of the Spanish School of Reichian Psychotherapy (Es.TeR). Clinical psychologist and Europsy Psychotherapist (CV-00141) since 1985. Sexologist of the E.F.S. and the F.E.S.S. Orgontherapist and clinical supervisor of the S.E.Or (Scuola Europea di Orgonoterapia). Character-analytic psychotherapist, supervisor and international teacher at EsTeR (Spanish School of Reichian Psychotherapy). Author of dozens of articles and several specialized books, in preventive intervention and clinical intervention.



Peter Moore

Breathing

10:45 am - 12:15 pm EDT

Peter Moore was granted scholarships to study at Oxford University and pursue graduate work in philosophy at both Oxford and Harvard. He emigrated to the USA in 1980 and switched to somatic psychotherapy starting in 1982. He had many years of training in group therapy, Gestalt, Core Energetics, levels I and II of Postural Integration, as well as Pelvic-Heart Release, before coming to classical Character Analytic Orgone therapy with Drs Blasband, Schwartzman, Herskowitz, and Hugh Brenner, PNP. He has published over 80 lay articles on various aspects of bodymind healing, and, with over 40 years of experience, conducts group consultation and trainings, and continues to feel immense satisfaction in his pursuit of the practice of therapy.

TUESDAY – JULY 25 - THEORETICAL INNOVATIONS



Marilena Komi

Character Defenses and Muscular Armor

9:00 am - 10:30 am EDT

B.A. in Phil-Edu-Psychology, Psychotherapist, ECP holder, has been trained in Characteranalytic Vegetotherapy (Clorida Lubrano-Kotoula), in Gestalt Therapy (European Gestalt Institute - EINA). She is an accredited supervisor (Genovino Ferri-SIAR) and trauma therapist (EMDR, Greek Institute of Trauma Therapy). She also has a BA, MSc in Architecture and Urban Planning (Universita di Firenze). Since 2010 she has been Director (with Despina Markaki) and Honorary President of the Wilhelm Reich Center in Athens, where she is a trainer in Character Analysis, Vegetotherapy and Supervision. She is a member of the International Scientific Committee (I.S.C.). Author of the book "The Group, the Body and Psychotherapy" (co-author Clorida Lubrano-Kotoula, Thimari ed.), and numerous essays and articles.



Hugh Brenner

Emotional Contact - A Neurophysiological Reexamination of Awareness

10:45 am - 12:15 pm EDT

SN, CRNP. Raised in an organomically oriented family, Hugh has spent a lifetime involved in Orgonomy and has practiced Psychiatric Orgone Therapy for about 30 years. He earned a M.S., Nursing from the University of Pennsylvania (Family Psychiatric CNS) and trained at Rutgers University as a Psychiatric Family Nurse Practitioner. His Organomic training was from Drs; Raggi, Lance and Herskowitz. With encouragement from Dr. Morton Herskowitz he started a private practice in Orgone Therapy. As a member of the IOS for over 20 years, he's served in executive positions including president, secretary and is the current vice-president. He was instrumental in the expansion of general membership and the opening of the clinical practice model of Orgone therapy to non-physician mental health professionals. He continues to work in the IOS, practices psychiatric Orgone therapy in suburban Philadelphia and provides clinical supervision for graduate nursing students and qualified students of Orgonomy.

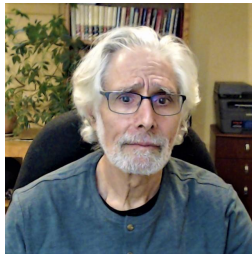


Harry Lewis

The Centrality of the Function of the Orgasm in Dr. Reich's Clinical Model

9:00 am - 10:30 am EDT

Licensed psychiatric social worker specializing in Orgone Therapy, character-analysis, and psycho-somatic disorders. A student of the work of Wilhelm Reich since 1970. MSW from Fordham University, doctorate from Columbia University, and postgraduate training in psychoanalysis at the Postgraduate Center for Mental Health in New York City. Trained in Orgone Therapy and had a long association with Dr. Victor M. Sobey, M.D., who was trained by Dr. Reich. Harry Lewis has taught psychology, child development and psycho-somatic psychology at The New School for Social Research, and has lectured extensively on the work of Dr. Reich and the work of Dr. John Bowlby. He is a member of The Institute for Orgonomic Science, and teaches and runs trainings in Orgone Therapy in New York, Mexico and Norway.



Daniel Schiff

Clinical Application of Reich's Orgone Therapy

10:45 am - 12:15 pm EDT

Daniel Schiff PhD is a psychologist, psychotherapist, teacher and trainer with 46 years of clinical experience. His interest in Reich's work and Gestalt therapy began in the early 1970s, leading to subsequent training in Neo-Reichian Therapy, Orgone Therapy, and Gestalt Therapy. Since 1990 he has offered lectures, seminars and trainings in orgone therapy and somatic psychotherapy both in the US and abroad. He lives in Portland, Oregon.



Nikos Papantonis

Vegetative and Energetic Interactions between Patient and Therapist in Orgone Therapy

9:00 am - 10:30 am EDT

Nikos Papantonis BSc, MA is a Greek psychologist and psychotherapist. His interest in Reich's scientific work and therapy began in the 1980's. He holds a Master of Arts in Clinical & Counseling Psychology. He is trained in Reichian Character Analysis, Somatic Psychotherapy and Orgone therapy. He is a member of the European Association for Body Psychotherapy (EABP) and the Institute for Organomic Science (IOS). He practices Reichian therapy in Athens, Greece.



Per Johan Isdahl

The Comforting Blood: Using Reich to Understand Self-inflicted Harm

10:45 am - 12:15 pm EDT

Veteran psychologist Per Johan Isdahl of Norway helped start the Regional Department for Eating Disorders at Ullevål Hospital. He has also been chief psychologist at Gaustad Hospital. He has long experience in development of inpatient services and development of training programs for attentional basis of therapy interaction, based on inspiration by first generation of colleagues trained by Wilhelm Reich in Oslo and Berlin. Individual personal therapy by Boyesen and Dannevig. Areas of recent work: eating disorders and personality disorders with self mutilation.

FRIDAY – JULY 28 - PREVENTION OF ARMORING



Judyth Weaver

Gestation and Infancy

9:00 am - 9:45 am EDT

Judyth O. Weaver, Ph.D. is a multifaceted teacher and counselor, incorporating extensive training in diverse areas. She holds a Ph.D. in Reichian Psychology. Judyth is the creator and founding chair of the Santa Barbara Graduate Institute Ph.D. Program in Somatic Psychology. She taught at the California Institute of Integral Studies (San Francisco, CA) for 25 years and at other graduate schools in the S.F. Bay area as well as being founding faculty at Naropa Institute, now Naropa University, (Boulder, CO) in the 1970's, creating it's T'ai Chi Ch'uan program. She is certified in Reichian Therapy, Somatic Experiencing, massage, Biodynamic Craniosacral Therapy, Pre- and Perinatal Therapy and as a teacher of Tai Chi Chuan, a senior teacher of the Rosen Method and Sensory Awareness.



Ana Luz Francés

Prevention, Breastfeeding and Sexuality

9:45 am - 10:30 am EDT

From Argentina and has been living in Brazil since 1982. She is a psychologist, Orgonotherapist, Specialist in Psychology and Sexuality, as well as the founder and coordinator of the Institute: Vida ViVa - Orgonomia em Movimento (2002). Her focus is on the integral health of the child and clinical practice with adults, adolescents, children and babies. Trained as orgonotherapist and sex economist by the C.I.O - Centro de Investigação Orgonômica (1985-1997), she has studied and participated in research with pregnant women, babies and child therapy. She was also trained as an Orgonomist by Open Orgonomy of New York (1993-2003). She developed a methodology to work with pregnant women and babies to prevent neurosis (1986) and Orgonomic Orientation Groups for Parents (1995). She also created and taught Introduction to Orgonomy courses (since 2002) and a course in Orgonotherapy (since 2007). Ana Luz also speaks in universities as well as national and international conferences.



Dorothy Burlage

Emotional and Social First Aid for Children

10:45 am - 11:30 am EDT

Ph.D., Harvard University, clinical psychology. Received several honorary awards and scholarships. She did her clinical training at Children’s Hospital and Judge Baker Guidance Center. Dr. Burlage has been affiliated with Harvard University from 1970 – 2010 as a researcher, teacher, and clinician. She has served on the boards of the Children’s Museum, Families First, and the Mind Science Foundation. She has published articles about children and families and has lectured and consulted regarding child psychology, parent training, support services for children and families, child development, and family policy. Dr. Burlage has had a private practice as a licensed clinical psychologist since 1980, working with children, adolescents, adults, and families.



Despina Markaki

Working with Parents, Pre-adolescents and Adolescents

11:30 am - 12:15 pm EDT

B.A. in Psychology, Psychotherapist, ECP holder, has been trained (Master’s level) in Gestalt Therapy (European Gestalt Institute – EINA) and is an accredited supervisor (Genovino Ferri-SIAR). She is the Director of Studies of the Wilhelm Reich Center in Athens, and E.I.N.A. (Hellenic Institute for Vegetotherapy and Character Analysis) and a member of E.A.B.P. Her area of practice and interest include individual and group psychotherapy, training at the Wilhelm Reich Center Athens (Group technics and dynamics, and children and adolescents’ psychotherapy) as well as group coordination of pre-adolescents and adolescents and pregnant women, as part of the prevention program of the Wilhelm Reich Center.



Roundtable - Final Remarks

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm EDT

ANTICIPATED START AND END TIMES FOR DAILY ZOOM BROADCASTS

TIME ZONE	HOURS
United States East Coast	8:45 am to 12:15 pm EDT (Eastern Daylight Time, UTC-4)
United States West Coast	5:45 am to 9:15 am PDT (Pacific Daylight Time, UTC-7)
Mexico City, Mexico	7:45 am to 11:15 am CDT (Central Daylight Time, UTC-5)
São Paulo, Brazil	9:45 am to 1:15 pm BRT (Brasilia Time, UTC-3)
United Kingdom	1:45 pm to 5:15 pm BST (British Summer Time, UTC+1)
Germany	14:45 to 18:15 CEST (Central European Summer Time, UTC+2)

Note: Friday, July 28 only, there will be a final broadcast from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm EDT

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Conference Committee: Patricia Estrada, Renata Reich Moise, Håvard Friis Nilsen, Amy Sabsowitz, David Silver, Brian Warren, Mai Yamaguchi

Moderator: Philip Bennett

Technical Director: David Silver

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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES IN RANGELEY, MAINE

(in-person only, not broadcast over Zoom)

MONDAY – JULY 24

- 2:00 - 4:00 pm Presentation of a never before heard audio recording of Wilhelm Reich in a teaching session with physicians in training.
- 4:30 - 6:00 pm Wilhelm Reich Museum open for visits by conference attendees. (Rain date: Tuesday)
- 6:00 - 7:30 pm Wine and cheese reception at the Wilhelm Reich Museum (Rain date: Tuesday)

TUESDAY – JULY 25

- 2:00 - 4:00 pm Discussion of personal experiences of orgone therapy, with Dorothy Burlage, Philip Bennett and Harry Lewis.

WEDNESDAY – JULY 26

- 2:00 - 4:00 pm Being Present in Mind and Heart - Looking, Listening and Tuning In - An experiential movement session led by Will Freeman of New Thought Vermont
- 6:00 - 7:30 pm Documentary film: "I'm a doctor on an expedition" about Eva Reich (58 min)

THURSDAY – JULY 27

- 2:00 - 4:00 pm Therapists discussing technique, with Peter Moore, Hugh Brenner, Dorothy Burlage and Patricia Estrada.
- 6:00 - 7:30 pm Beer and Pizza gathering hosted by Wendy Kohli and Philip Bennett in Oquossoc. A chance to socialize as well as celebrate and informally discuss Philip's recently completed book on Reich's social and political thought.