

# The Freud Café



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*FREE public talks on Freud's ideas and those of his followers by Toronto psychoanalysts -  
with open discussion about their impact on our lives today.*

**Monday, January 30, 2017**

**8:00 to 9:30pm**

**@ the Arbor Room, Hart House, University of Toronto**

7 Hart House Circle, Toronto, ON M5S 3H3 (lower level)

## **In the Beginning was the Name: The Language of the Unconscious**

*Our origins are intimately linked with our name, a noun not chosen but lovingly given and assigned to us. Names are both a mark of separation and a trait of affiliation. For most of us, a close association develops between our name and the person we are, such that the sound of our name reverberates deep within us.*

*In psychoanalytic work, we are forever at the mercy of words to engage in our practice and names are signifiers that easily run amuck. This presentation will explore such questions as: Do names have a privileged position in psychoanalysis? What is so 'proper' about proper names and why are they so significant? How do names function in analytic work?*

**Guest Speaker: Mavis Himes, PhD** | Clinical Psychologist | Lacanian Analyst | Consultant, Wellspring, Cancer Centre for patients and families | Director, Speaking of Lacan Psychoanalytic Group | Author, *The Power of Names: Uncovering the Mystery of What We Are Called* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2016) and *The Sacred Body: A Therapist's Journey* (Stoddart, 2002).



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