Colloquium: Sociology and Psychoanalysis

Saturday, October 31\textsuperscript{st}, 2015

3:30-5:30 pm, TPS, 40 St. Clair Avenue, East (Suite 203)

Don Carveth (Sociology, York University) and Neil McLaughlin (Sociology, McMaster University) are co-conveners of this Colloquium and will participate in a discussion led by Catherine Silver (training analyst at the National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis in New York and Emerita Professor of Sociology at the City University of New York, Graduate Center) who contributed a chapter to The Unhappy Divorce of Sociology and Psychoanalysis. For information on this book, see:


This discussion provides an arena in which to explore how socio-cultural desires have often been denied or restricted in analytic literature and the practice of psychoanalysis, and how analytic desires have been subdued in sociology. We will explore a variety of co-created processes and performances that engage the socio-cultural in transforming the subjective encounter with ourselves, our analysands and others. What are the dreams and enactments of the social in our work as psychoanalysts? By dreaming the social can we provide alternative ways to reflect and experience shared psychic realities?

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