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SKIN DEEP Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Body Modification



Saturday May 1st, 2010

8:30 am to 12:45 pm

Yale Child Study Center
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Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Body Modification

Matthew F. Shaw, PhD, Moderator

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David Astrachan, MD

Dr. Astrachan is an Ear, Nose and Throat specialist practicing in Hamden, Milford, and Madison, Connecticut. He is a graduate of Yale College and Yale School of Medicine. The author of numerous publications, he holds academic faculty appointments in the Yale School of Medicine, Southern Connecticut State University and Quinnipiac University.

Alessandra Lemma, PhD

Professor Lemma is the author of *Under the Skin: A Psychoanalytic Study of Body Modification* (London: Routledge, 2010). She is a member of the British Psychoanalytic Society, Head of Psychology for the Tavistock & Portman NHS Foundation Trust, and holds honorary academic posts at the University of Essex and University College, London.

Janice Lieberman, PhD

Dr. Lieberman is the author of *Body Talk: Looking and Being Looked at In Psychotherapy* (New Jersey: Jason Aronson, 2000). She is a training and Supervising Analyst at the Institute for Psychoanalytic Training and Research in Manhattan, on the editorial board of the Journal of the American Psychoanalytic Association (JAPA), and in the public education department for the Whitney Museum of American Art.

Deborah Pan, MD

Dr. Pan is a plastic and reconstructive surgeon in private practice in New Haven, Connecticut. She is a graduate of Harvard University and Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. The author of numerous publications, Dr. Pan is a member of the Connecticut Society of Plastic Surgeons, the Yale Surgical Society and is an attending surgeon for 'Healing for Children.'

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The speakers will consider bodies—individuals' experiences of, fantasies about, and difficulties talking (and not talking) about their bodies. They will present case material and broader thinking about people's wishes to change their bodies. Drs. Astrachan and Pan will present a series of medical vignettes about patients who have pursued various reconstructive procedures. Dr. Lieberman will describe several cases in which patients became irrationally obsessed with their bodies and sought surgery to alleviate their anxieties. She will demonstrate how she uses visual feedback and language attuned to the apparent concreteness of such patients. Professor Lemma will describe an object-relational framework for understanding the unconscious fantasies that may drive the pursuit of body modification in some individuals. Three such fantasies will be outlined: the self-made fantasy, the reclaiming fantasy and the "perfect match."

Ample time will be allotted for discussion with the audience.

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9 **Welcome and Introduction**
Matthew F. Shaw, PhD

9:05 **Medical Vignettes**
Deborah Pan, MD
David Astrachan, MD

9:45 **Body Talk**
Janice Lieberman, PhD

10:45 Coffee Break & Book Raffle

11:15 **Copies without Originals**
Alessandra Lemma, PhD

12:20 **Open Discussion and Summary**

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