



# The Traumatizing Narcissist and Post-Cult Trauma

Saturday, October 13, 2012

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

## Location

The National Institute for the Psychotherapies  
250 West 57th Street, Suite 501  
New York, NY 10107

## About the Event

ICSA is organizing this important event in conjunction with The National Institute for the Psychotherapies.

The public perception of cults is influenced by reporting of only the most sensational, sometimes tragic examples of controlling, ideological groups and their leaders. Although the mental health field has paid scant attention to this phenomenon, it is far more widespread than assumed. Cult experts Daniel Shaw, a psychoanalyst, and Shelly Rosen, a trauma therapist, will join with several former members of cultic groups (including psychotherapy groups), to explore post-cult trauma and the relational system of the traumatizing narcissist leader and his or her idealizing followers. Mental health professionals, former members of cultic groups, and any others who are interested will learn about the relational aspects of cult involvement and the clinical issues and problems that arise when dealing with post-cult trauma.

## Fees and Registration

Fee: \$100 (\$85 for members of ICSA and NIPPA; \$65 for former cultists and NIP candidates)

Register on the NIP event page: <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/3850031548>

## Continuing Education Credits

This program has been approved for 4.0 hours of continuing education under the auspices of the National Association of Social Work. The National Institute for the Psychotherapies (NIP) is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. NIP maintains responsibility for these programs and their contents.

## Presenters



**Daniel Shaw, LCSW**, is a psychoanalyst in private practice in Manhattan and Nyack, NY. He teaches and supervises at NIP. He is former Co-Chair of the Continuing Education Committee of the International Association for Relational Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy (IARPP), serving as coordinator for the IARPP Online Colloquia Series. For the International Cultic Studies Association (ICSA), he co-facilitates a monthly meeting for former cultists, concerned families, and others in NYC. He is the author of "Traumatic Abuse in Cults: A Psychoanalytic Perspective," which is available on the ICSA Website. He has also written on the theme of analytic love and on clinical work with adult children of traumatizing narcissists. He is currently at work on a book for the Relational Psychoanalytic Series on the theme of the traumatizing narcissist's relational system.



**Shelly Rosen, LCSW**, is an instructor at The Trauma Studies Center at the Institute for Contemporary Psychotherapy, where she is a supervisor, and executive committee member. She provides clinical consultation to psychotherapists and serves as an advisor to communities, universities, and governments regarding the dynamics of authoritarian groups. She has written for the *Cultic Studies Journal* and has a chapter in the book, *Take Back Your Life*. She is in private practice in Manhattan and is a Somatic Experiencing Practitioner and a Certified EMDR Therapist.

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## For more information:

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