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**XXXV Annual International Symposium, Boston, Massachusetts
June 6-9, 2013**

Revitalizing our Heritage: A Bridge to the Future

Pre-Symposium Events

Pre- Symposium Outstitutes: Thursday, June 6

Option A: John F Kennedy Museum, Boston (12:30PM - 4:00PM). Join members from our fabulous hospitality crew for lunch and take a trip to explore this moving and beautifully conceptualized museum located with a beautiful view of Boston Harbor. Fee: \$25.00

Option B: (12:30PM - 3:30 PM). Fenway Health Center (<http://fenwayhealth.org/site/PageServer>). Fenway Health offers cutting edge, comprehensive primary, specialty and behavioral health care and is the largest facility ever constructed by an organization with a specific mission to serve the LGBT community. Some of the finest and most creative group work is being done at Fenway, offering groups for clients who are coming out, transitioning, living with HIV/AIDS, substance use disorders, and mental illness. Tour this fine facility and hear from a panel of group practitioners in what we know will be a lively and stimulating exchange among participants! Fee: \$30.00

Pre- Symposium Institutes: Thursday, June 6 (Training Options)

1. Field Educators' Seminar with Alex Gitterman (1PM - 4PM)

This yearly institute targeting fieldwork advisors and supervisors is offered to all symposium participants without cost. Registration is required for head count. No Cost.

2. Mindfulness and Group Work with Ariel A. Botta (9PM - 4PM)

This full day experiential is a combination of didactic presentation, experiential and applied learning, and discussion. Participants will explore the origins of mindfulness practices, how they can enhance group work practice, and will learn how to do mindfulness practices with diverse clients in myriad group settings. Fee: \$75.00

3. Experiential Institute with Lois Levinsky (9AM - 12PM)

This is a mutual aid experiential group for group work practitioners with less than two years group experience. Students, and new graduates, and beginning group workers are welcome to enroll. Fee: \$45.00

4. Psychodynamic Experiential Group with Joyce Collier and Steve Cadwell (9AM - 4PM)

This experience is offered to those participants with 2 or more years of post-graduate group work experience. Although this is an educational group, not a therapy group, this full day group will provide a rich opportunity to expand the participant's knowledge of group process and dynamics on both an emotional and cognitive level. The day will be divided into 4 sessions in order to demonstrate the stages of group development. We will focus on the here and now, the interactions between group members as well as transference issues that come up within the group. The group leaders will create a written contract and articulate clear boundaries in order to establish a safe place for members to learn about themselves in the context of a group. Participants agree to attend the entire session, participate respectfully and honor the confidentiality of their fellow group members. Fee \$75.00

CEUs are offered for pre-symposium as well as symposium sessions (more information is forthcoming).