

## Lacan Circle of Melbourne

STUDY DAY SATURDAY 15 MAY, 9.30AM – 5.00PM

**The Australian Institute of International Affairs, 124 Jolimont Road, East Melbourne 3002 (both parking-friendly and public transport-accessible).**

### From elementary phenomena to feminine positions of being The Wolf Man

We continue with our study of the Wolf Man at this Saturday's study day. Copies of the long piece by JA Miller on the Wolf Man, from the latest *Lacanian Ink*, no. 35, will be available to participants and members of the Lacan Circle for discussion at a study day later in the year.

#### *From elementary phenomena to feminine positions of being*

We know from the case of Schreber, thanks to Lacan, the importance of the *pousse-à-la-femme* in psychosis. These two presentations develop the relationship between elementary phenomena and delusions, on the one hand, and feminine ways of being on the other.

9.30 – 10.30 *Memento: elementary phenomena and the delusion of interpretation* – Jonathan Redmond

Jonathan will discuss *Memento*, the film, to introduce some of the features of elementary phenomena in psychosis.

11.00 – 12.00 *Feminine positions of being and the Wolf Man* – David Ferraro

Taking his cue from Eric Laurent's article, 'Feminine positions of being', in V. Voruz and B. Wolf's *The Later Lacan* (SUNY, 2007), David will discuss the difficulties encountered by the Wolf Man in his passive position with respect to his father. We'll see how Lacan's analysis throws new light on the case.

12.00 Lunch

1.30 – 3.00 *The Wolf Man* – Justin Clemens

A detailed reading of Freud's classic text on the Wolf Man, *From the history of an infantile neurosis*, *Standard edition* volume 17. We pick up the discussion part way through Part III, 'The Seduction . . .', bottom of p. 23 in the *Standard Edition*.

3.30 – 4.30 *The Wolf Man in and out of psychoanalysis* – Russell Grigg

A look at the Wolf Man's second analysis, which he started with Ruth Mack Brunswick in 1926, some six years after the end of his analysis with Freud. Mack Brunswick's discussion of the case, 'A Supplement to Freud's *History of an infantile neurosis*', is published in Muriel Gardiner (ed.), *The Wolf-Man by the Wolf-Man with the case of the*

*Wolf-Man* by Sigmund Freud. Workshop participants can obtain a copy of by emailing Russell Grigg at the address below.

4.30 – 5.00 Discussion

Registration \$60, LCM members \$40, FT students \$30

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