



The C G Jung Society of St. Louis presents
the Jung in the Heartland Conference

OUR POLARIZED CULTURE: HEALING THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE COLLECTIVE

September 29 – October 2, 2022

Conference Program Highlights

DONALD KALSCHED, PH.D.

The Polarizing vs. the Integrating Psyche

Enduring patterns of dividing and differentiating and—on the other hand—unifying and integrating exist in all of us as individuals and in the collective as well. This lecture will explore how in unstable situations, polarizing tendencies often get the upper hand, leading to psychopathology, and how both are necessary for psychological growth and differentiation.

Culture Wars and the Hijacked Imagination

In this lecture, Don Kalsched will describe how fear hijacks the imagination and justifies defensive anger and splitting in both the individual and the collective, and describe how this is evident in culture wars around conspiracy theories, climate change, abortion, immigration, gun violence, and beyond.

THOMAS SINGER, M.D.

Cultural Complexes and the Soul of America: A Way to Frame the Psychology of Polarization

How do cultural complexes contribute to the profound divisions as well as the possibility of soul making in the U.S.? This talk focuses on the interrelationships between soul, cultural complexes, and polarization in the United States today.

The Imaginal as a Way to Heal Polarization in the Individual and Collective Psyche

This talk will focus on how the imaginal can provide ways of "seeing" our individual and collective splits in the hopes of finding ways of healing and even transcending them.

Accommodations & Seminar Site

King's House 700 N. 66th Street Belleville, IL 62223

We are in a beautiful retreat center with trails, gardens, and a labyrinth. It is only 45 minutes from the St. Louis airport; the food is delicious, organic, and locally grown. Vegetarians and those requiring a gluten-free menu are easily accommodated. All rooms are individually thermostat controlled and have private baths. Rooms and buildings are non-smoking. See our website, jungstlouis.org, for more details and driving directions.



Donald Kalsched, Ph.D., is a Jungian Analyst and Clinical Psychologist who practices in Brunswick, Maine, and lives in nearby Topsham with his wife Robin van Loben Sels. He is a member of the C.G. Jung Institute of New England, a senior faculty member and supervisor with the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts, and lectures nationally and internationally on the subject of trauma and its treatment. His first book *The Inner World of Trauma; Archetypal Defenses of the Personal Spirit* described a core complex of the dissociating psyche (Self-Care System) and demonstrated its clinical applications. His most recent book, *Trauma and the Soul: Psycho-Spiritual Approach to Human Development and its Interruption* explores how psychotherapeutic work with trauma survivors sometimes provides access to an ineffable world of soul and spirit.



Thomas Singer, M.D., is a psychiatrist and Jungian psychoanalyst who trained at Yale Medical School, Dartmouth Medical School, and the C. G. Jung Institute of San Francisco. He is the author of many books and articles that include a series of books on cultural complexes that have focused on Australia, Latin America, Europe, the United States, and Far East Asian countries, in addition to another series of books featuring Ancient Greece, Modern Psyche. He serves on the board of ARAS (Archive for Research into Archetypal Symbolism) and has edited *ARAS Connections* for many years.



We are pleased to convene our 7th biennial Jung in the Heartland Conference, providing both outstanding faculty and varied experiential offerings. Meaning unfolds through presentations, music, dialogue, art, dream work, poetry, massage, yoga, and ritual. We welcome individuals from all fields.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

On Thursday, September 29, check-in opens at 3:00 PM and dinner is served from 5:30 to 6:45 PM. The Opening Session of the Conference starts at 7:00 PM. The program continues all day and evening on Friday and Saturday. Sunday's session on October 2 closes the Conference at noon, followed by lunch. A detailed schedule will be distributed to attendees on opening day.



Attendees will be required to provide proof of full vaccination for COVID-19 at the time of registration by uploading an image of their current vaccination card or other approved documentation.



Primary lectures and panel discussions of this event will be streamed live online for those unable to attend the event in-person. A Streaming Host facilitator will relay questions from online attendees during Q&A portions of the program.

REGISTRATION

To register for this event (Residential, Commuter, and Virtual) and additional details, see jungstlouis.org/jung-in-the-heartland-2022.

King's House has announced that it is closing this site in the spring of 2023, so this may be your last chance to enjoy the Retreat Center facility and grounds!



All rights are reserved by the Conference Directors to make faculty substitutions and/or request disruptive participants to leave without a refund. All content of presentations and events represents the views of the speakers only and may not represent views of The C.G. Jung Society of St. Louis.

CEs: A total of 12 CEs are available to LCSW, LPC, LCPC General Studies for the conference proper through the Chicago Jung Center.

Accommodations at King's House are limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis. If all rooms are filled when your registration with a room request is received, nearby hotels are available.



*"If the projected conflict is to be healed, it must return into the psyche of the individual, where it had its unconscious beginnings. He must celebrate a Last Supper with himself, and eat his own flesh and drink his own blood; which means that he must recognize and accept the other in himself."
(CW 14, para 512)*

