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President's Message

Roberto Lewis-Fernández

February, 2018

2018 Annual Meeting

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It is with mixed emotions that I write my last Newsletter message as president of SSPC. I am very proud of our accomplishments as an organization over the last few years. My work has been very fulfilling and I have learned a lot about the field, about organizations, and about leadership. I will miss the job. At the same time, I feel excited that a new crop of officers will take over the leadership with renewed impetus and innovative ideas for SSPC. And, happily, I will still be able to continue being involved in my role as past president. I imagine past presidents are like grandparents: able to give advice and pitch in when needed, but not in charge and needing sometimes to be unheeded for new things to occur.

The main goal of my presidency has been to increase the impact of SSPC on our own field of cultural psychiatry, on cultural mental health studies more generally, including our colleagues in other cultural mental health disciplines, and on psychiatry as a whole. I believe we have taken some strides in that direction. Attendance at the Annual Meeting has increased impressively, as have the number of abstracts we consistently receive. From an organization that fielded a single set of plenary talks per meeting, we now regularly offer 4 high-quality sessions concurrently. Our poster sessions have grown substantially, giving younger members a first chance to present. In addition, we now offer regular webinars frequently keyed to cutting-edge themes such as migration and the global refugee crisis. Hundreds of people all over the world have taken advantage of these offerings. We are also developing a set of web-based resources that will form a kind of Cultural Psychiatry 101 to supplement the training and educational activities that psychiatry residents and other trainees in our field receive. Our website is now a work of art, publicizing and enabling access to these initiatives as well as acting as a nerve center to link us all. And, through all of these changes, this Newsletter has continued to provide us with updates and useful information.

Most of these achievements started or gained momentum under the presidency of Steven Wolin, who gave me much useful advice as past president, and they have been the work of many. The Program Committee, most recently chaired by Bonnie Kaiser, has worked very hard to put together excellent annual meeting programs. The Education and Training Committee, under the able leadership of Kenneth Fung (incoming President), has developed the whole concept of webinars and their content. The Communications Committee, with the incredible talent of Connie Cummings behind it, has grown the website into its present stature. Artha Gillis, our Treasurer, has been a diligent and sound steward. Francis Lu, as Secretary, has kept us informed and publicized SSPC activities to the winds. The work of so many others, including Shannon Suo on the Newsletter, has really pushed the organization forward. Most importantly, I want to recognize the contribution of Liz Kramer, who has been a consigliere to me and several of my predecessors, and the keeper and implementer of the master calendar; she is the heart of the SSPC tradition.

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Roberto Lewis-Fernández

With these accomplishments, we still have a lot to work on. Ours remains a boutique tradition within psychiatry. It has become a bigger boutique by far, but we remain somewhat to the side of major developments. Improving our impact on every aspect of mental health care, research, administration, advocacy, and policymaking should continue to be a major goal. For this, influencing the next generation of professionals is indispensable. Our meetings and webinars are doing an excellent job. We also need to continue to explore other options, such as the initial work on networking and mentoring that Auralyd Padilla, Artha, and others have started. For example, is there room under our tent for explicit forays into advocacy? Or more work on influencing policy makers or large service providers? Can we put together an SSPC White Paper on the state of the field, or the directions for future development? I look forward to more discussions and debates about our role as an organization.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who helped me perform my duties as president. Your guidance and criticism was most welcome and helped me grow in my role.

I retire from my leadership role excited about the future of SSPC.

Executive Director's Message

Liz Kramer

Here we are again with the annual meeting issue. This year there's a lot happening at SSPC. Rather than write a long column the news items in this issue will tell you about many of them. All, of course, will take place in San Diego at the beautiful Joan Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice. I urge you to come and attend sessions, enjoy the reception, see old friends and make new ones. We've got 3 packed days with lots of great choices for each time block, as you will see from the program.

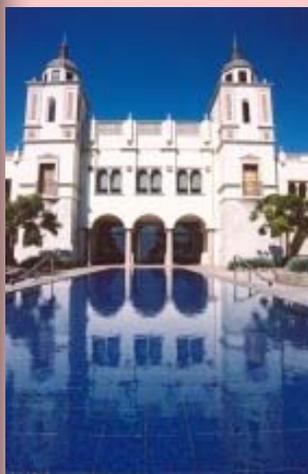
Be sure to come to the business meeting. That's when the new officers and Board members will be installed, and the awards will be given. We even have a special lunch that day.

There's lots to do in Old Town on your free night and if you're coming early or staying over for the weekend don't miss the San Diego zoo. There's an article by Jim Jaranson about things to do in this issue.

Sign up now, you won't regret it. And if you want to stay at the Hilton Garden Inn, where we have a block of rooms reserved at the special rate of \$159 plus tax, be sure to book your room by February 16. The hotel will not guarantee the price after that date. Their telephone number is (619) 260-0607 and you can reserve at http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/S/SANSWGI-SP2-20180416/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG.

We're available if you have questions so don't hesitate to ask.

Looking forward to seeing you in San Diego!



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Changing of the Guard

SSPC welcomes new officers and board members

SSPC has new officers and three new Board members who were elected in December. They will be installed during our annual business meeting in San Diego. All will serve for three years.

Our new president is Kenneth Fung, Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto and Clinical Director of the Asian Initiative in Mental Health at Toronto Western Hospital. (see feature story on p.5) He will replace outgoing president, Roberto Lewis-Fernández who will become immediate past president. Our new Vice President/President-elect is Jim Griffith from George Washington University, who succeeds Kenneth in that role. Steven Wolin, our immediate past president will retire from the Board. Bonnie Kaiser will replace Francis Lu, who has served as secretary for seven years, and Alan Teo will be our new treasurer, replacing Artha Gillis.

Our new Board members are Vincenzo Di Nicola, Anna Fiskin and Sylvanna Vargas, who were elected for three year terms, and Jim Jaranson, who was appointed by Roberto to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Sergio Villaseñor Bayardo. Retiring Board members are Auryald (Lala) Padilla and Ramaswamy Viswanathan (Vis).

We welcome and congratulate our new officers and members and thank our outgoing ones for their service to the organization.

About the Officers and Board

James Griffith, Vice-President/President-Elect

Griff is the Leon M. Yochelson Professor and Chair of the George Washington University Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. Under his leadership, GWU Psychiatry has gained broad recognition for its commitment to humanistic psychiatry and excellence of its research and training programs in cultural psychiatry, global mental health, mental health policy, human rights advocacy, and psychosocial care for medically ill patients.

Bonnie Kaiser, Secretary

Bonnie is a medical anthropologist and epidemiologist whose research focuses on psychological anthropology and global mental health. She is a post-doctoral scholar at the Duke Global Health Institute. She conducts ongoing research and has designed and conducted evaluations on mental health services in Haiti. Previous publications from her work in Haiti have focused on idioms of distress and mental health communication, development and testing of transcultural screening tools, development of training programs, and treatment resources and decision-making. She also has worked in Kenya and Nepal. Bonnie is passionate about teaching and mentoring and has advised numerous students and professionals from Haiti, Nepal, and the US and led numerous student groups conducting global mental health field research. She received the SSPC Charles Hughes Memorial Fellowship, has served on the Board, and she has been a member of the SSPC Hughes and Spiegel Fellowship Committee for the past four years. She also has served on the annual program committee and is chair of that committee since 2017.



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New officers and board members, continued from page 3**Alan Teo, Treasurer**

Alan is an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU), with a dual appointment in the OHSU-Portland State University School of Public Health. He serves as a Core Investigator and Staff Psychiatrist at the VA Portland Health Care System and is Director of the Research Track in the adult psychiatry residency at OHSU. He received the SSPC John P. Spiegel Memorial Fellowship in 2009.

Board Members

Vincenzo Di Nicola is a tenured Full Professor of Psychiatry at the Université de Montréal and Chief of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the Montreal University Institute of Mental Health. His professional activities include The APA Council on International Psychiatry, and Mission Haiti, a joint venture of the Université de Montréal and the Université d'État d'Haïti. He is the author of Cultural Family Therapy and has published and lectured extensively on this topic. He also is Co-founder (2013) and Past-president (2016-17) of the APA Caucus on Global Mental Health & Psychiatry.

Anna Fiskin is an early-career psychiatrist and anthropologist who specializes in cultural psychiatry and global mental health. She received an MSc in Medical Anthropology from Oxford University, where she did her thesis on Reiki as a somatic mode of attention. During her psychiatry residency training at Yale, she was the co-facilitator for the Cultural Psychiatry Curriculum for PGY2 residents. She also collaborated with the Programme for Improving Mental Healthcare and Transcultural Psychosocial Organization to do a qualitative analysis of interviews and focus groups with key stakeholders in Nepal. She did a Public Psychiatry Fellowship at UCSF, and is now a psychiatrist at Chinatown North Beach Mental Health Services in San Francisco serving primarily Asian immigrants and refugees. She also is a volunteer Assistant Professor in the UCSF Department of Psychiatry, and the Cultural Psychiatry faculty lead for UCSF Psychiatry HEAL Fellowship in Global Mental Health. She is a member of the Education and Communications Committees.

Sylvanna Vargas is our trainee representative on the Board. She is a dual PhD Clinical Science/MPH (Global Health) student at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles and a Visiting Graduate Researcher at the UCLA Center for Health Services and Society. In 2017, she received a Ford Foundation Pre-doctoral Fellowship award in part for her commitment to research on sociocultural factors related to mental health disparities. Her current research focuses on the role of perceived discrimination and stress in explaining health outcomes among multiply marginalized groups, such as low-income LGBTQ ethnic minorities. She also is interested in explanatory frameworks and pathways to mental health care, and she has conducted projects on this topic both in the US and in Mexico. She has been an active member of SSPC since 2011. From 2012-14, she served as the SSPC administrative assistant to the Executive Director and Program Committee. Since then, she has been involved every year in helping with conference event tasks. She became a member of the Program Committee in 2016.

We encourage all of our members to become part of this winning crew by joining a committee or volunteering and becoming more active in SSPC.

Introducing Our New President

Kenneth Fung is a Staff Psychiatrist and Clinical Director of the Asian Initiative in Mental Health (AIM) Program at Toronto Western Hospital and Associate Professor in the Equity, Gender and Populations Division of the Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto, where he completed a two year fellowship in Cultural Psychiatry. His primary research, teaching, and clinical interests include cultural psychiatry and psychotherapy. At the University he is the Block Co-Coordinator of the Sociocultural Dimensions of Psychiatry Seminars for the residents as well as Co-Lead of Pillar 4 of the departmental strategic plan on social justice and social responsibility.

Kenneth is an internationally acclaimed psychiatrist with particular expertise in cultural psychiatry. He has worked tirelessly to advance accessible and culturally inclusive mental health services for ethnoracial and marginalized communities in Canada. In so doing, he has helped break down barriers to care and reduce the stigma often associated with mental illness in minority communities.

Kenneth is the founding and clinical director of the AIM Program which serves Toronto's large Asian community, offering psychiatric services in English, Mandarin and Cantonese. It was established in 2002 when he recognized the difficulties Asian immigrants and refugees faced in accessing mental health services due to language and cultural barriers, as well as the pervasive stigma associated with mental health issues in the community. The program, which provides comprehensive integrated care to more than 200 patients every month, is a training ground for medical students and residents in cultural psychiatry. He also serves as psychiatric consultant to the Hong Fook Mental Health Association serving Cambodian, Vietnamese, and Korean people as well as Mon Sheong Long-term Care Scarborough, and he is involved in various mental health promotion and education programs throughout Toronto.

Over the years, Kenneth has expanded his efforts with other Asian, Indigenous, African-Canadian, Latinx and Portuguese communities to improve mental health and health equity. He is a fierce advocate for more curriculum time to teach culture and psychiatry, and he is leading a national initiative to further such training for psychiatric residents across Canada. He also leads various community-based research on championing mental health, psychotherapy, and HIV stigma, especially for immigrants, ethnoracial, and diverse communities.

His passion and expertise have been recognized in both national and international psychiatric circles. He is currently Chair of the SSPC Education Committee and producer of our webinar series on cultural psychiatry, and he is working on the development of a webinar-type curriculum in cultural psychiatry. In addition he leads a trainee case consultation conference as well as being a regular presenter and workshop director at our annual meetings. He is the Chair of the Transcultural Psychiatry Section of the Canadian Psychiatric Association (CPA), Co-opted Board Member of World Association of Cultural Psychiatry (WACP), Historian of the Federation of Chinese American and Chinese Canadian Medical Societies (FCMS), and Past Chair of the Ontario Chapter of the Association for Contextual Behavioral Science (ACBS).



Kenneth Fung, MD, MSc
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Department of Psychiatry

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In 2016, Kenneth received the American Psychiatric Association's Award for Advancing Minority Health. He recently received the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons Council Award for his work in developing culturally sensitive mental health programs.

Kenneth is also passionate about the arts. In his free time he enjoys sketching, painting, photography, and playing the piano. He is a supporter of the arts and serves on the Board as President of the Little Pear Garden Dance Company..

His 3 year term as President will take effect at the Annual Meeting in San Diego in April.

San Diego, Host to the 2018 SSPC Annual Meeting

Jim Jaranson

SSPC welcomes you to San Diego, "America's Finest City," for the annual meeting April 18-21, 2018. This the second time in its 39-year history that the SSPC has met in San Diego, California's second largest city and the country's eighth largest with 1.3 million residents. Reputed to have the best climate of any US city, San Diego has some of the country's best beaches. The city is wedged between the Pacific Ocean on the west; Tijuana Mexico, 15 miles south; the Cuyamaca mountains in the east; and, protecting it from merging into LA two hours north, Camp Pendleton's 17 miles of coastline. Known for its Navy and Marine population, accounting for 18% of the economy, San Diego has become much more diverse with biotech, healthcare, tourism, and international trade. Balboa Park, whose 1200 acres house the world-famous zoo, is the cultural heart of the city with the Old Globe Theatre, an incubator for Broadway, and 13 museums, the most in a single location outside of the Smithsonian. The Park has been rated California's best destination and the bell tower of the Museum of Man is the most photographed landmark in San Diego. The San Diego Opera and the Symphony, as well as the Old Globe and the La Jolla Playhouse, are highly acclaimed and have dispelled the notion that San Diego has little to offer culturally. The city also houses three major universities, the University of California San Diego (UCSD) in the La Jolla neighborhood, San Diego State University (SDSU) to the east, and the University of San Diego (USD).

USD's Institute of Peace and Justice, on a hill overlooking the nearby Pacific, will provide the meeting's venue. Most attendees will stay at the Hilton down the hill from USD but one trolley stop away from historic Old Town, the oldest settlement in California and considered its birthplace. Tourists can take a harbor cruise or purchase a ticket for the Old Town Trolley, which allows on and off access to points of interest in San Diego and Coronado. Public transportation from the Old Town transit center provides bus and San Diego Trolley service to most tourist attractions.

Southern California is one of five areas in the world with a "Mediterranean" climate and averages ten inches of rain annually, nearly all in the winter. The year round high temperature in San Diego is 70 degrees F, with little variation from day to night or winter to summer. Average high in April is 69 and low is 56 with two days of rain, so bring a light jacket. With its spectacular setting, comfortable temperature, and major attractions, San Diego has much to offer SSPC members.



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Award-winning Members

Lifetime achievement Award

Joan Koss-Chioino has been unanimously selected by the Awards Committee to receive the 2018 SSPC Lifetime Achievement Award. Joan was one of the first female members of SSPC, and the first woman to serve on our Board, a position she held from 1983 to 2012. She worked diligently and prodigiously with Charles Hughes to open Society membership to social scientists and to fully integrate them into our fold. When the Hughes Memorial Fellowship was begun, she organized the program and led it for many years, selecting applicants and mentoring recipients. She continued in her mentoring role until 2016.

Joan is Professor of Anthropology (Emerita) at Arizona State University, and Research Professor of Psychology at George Washington University in Washington, DC. Her academic work at both institutions included a NIDA-funded, five year postdoctoral training grant in Drugs, AIDS, and Violence. As a psychological anthropologist her work has been at the interface between anthropology, psychiatry and psychology. Her primary interest is the etiology and treatment of illness and emotional problems, whether conventional, alternative or psychotherapeutic. She has worked in Latino cultures in the Southwest (treatment research with Mexican and Mexican American youths and families), in Puerto Rico for four decades (spirituality, distress and mental illness among healers and sufferers), and Spain (depressed women). Later she studied medical doctors who are Spiritists or who use spirituality in their clinical work in Puerto Rico and the doctors' relationships with their patients. She continues to explore the inclusion of the construct of "culture" in studies of spirituality and religion. An example of this direction is illustrated in her American Psychological Association handbook chapter on Religion and Spirituality in Latino Life in the United States (2013).

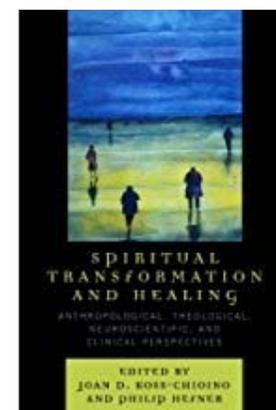
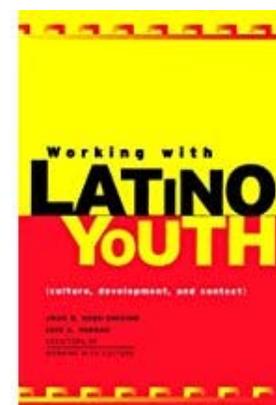
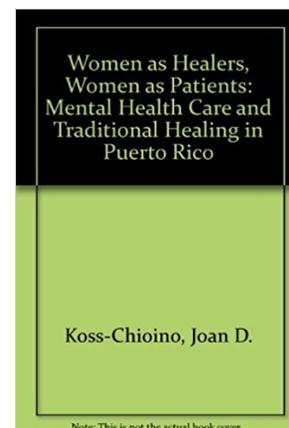
She also has been an active teacher of medical students, psychiatry residents and anthropologists and an educational innovator who developed a number of new courses and two new educational programs: a master's program in medical anthropology and a one in cultural and behavioral aspects in public health.

Joan received her bachelor's degree in Fine Arts, Education and English from Temple University in 1955 and an MA (1959) and PhD (1965) in Anthropology from the University of Pennsylvania.

She has published prolifically with over 38 articles, 26 book chapters and guest editorship of four journal special issues to name just a few. Her publications include: *Women as Healers, Women as Patients: Mental Health Care and Traditional Healing in Puerto Rico* (Westview Press, 1992), *Working With Culture: Psychotherapeutic Interventions with Ethnic Minority Children and Adolescents* (with Luis A. Vargas, Jossey Bass, 1992); *Working With Latino Youth: Culture, Context and Development* (with Luis A. Vargas, Jossey Bass, 1999), and *Medical Pluralism in the Andes* (Edited; Routledge, 2003). Her most recent book is *Spiritual Transformation and Healing* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2006, with Philip Hefner).

Cheers, Joan. We salute you for all you have done for the field of cultural psychiatry and SSPC over the years and wish you the best in your retirement.

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Ali Gusto
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Charles Hughes Fellowship

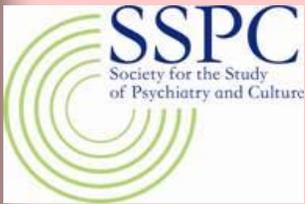
Ali Giusto, this year's Charles Hughes Fellow, is currently pursuing her PhD in clinical psychology at Duke University focusing on the development and implementation of ecologically-relevant family therapy interventions to promote child well-being within low-resource settings. Ali received her BA in psychology from Yale University. After graduation she worked as a research assistant in a hospital-setting and for a community-based participatory research project. Interested in the development of sustainable mental health interventions globally, she is studying with Eve Puffer. As a doctoral scholar in global health at Duke, Ali's research has focused on understanding culturally specific indicators of positive and negative family functioning and youth mental health, and translating this knowledge into culturally grounded interventions. Specifically, she focuses on the impact of fathers on families contextualized within cultural gender norms. For her dissertation, she initiated a study in Kenya that aims to develop and pilot a brief intervention delivered by lay-providers to reduce alcohol use and improve family involvement among problem drinking fathers. This presentation centers on complementary work developing culturally-relevant family functioning measures in Kenya; specifically, the novel process of adaptation used to modify an observational measure to capture functioning in culturally valid ways. The Hughes Memorial lecture, which she will deliver, is entitled "Observational measurement of family functioning for a low resource setting: Adaptation and feasibility in a Kenyan sample."



Monika Karazja
smhs.gwu.edu website

John Spiegel Memorial Fellowship

Monika Karazja is the recipient of the 2018 John Spiegel Memorial Fellowship. She is a fourth year resident in Psychiatry at George Washington University School of Medicine, where she is working with our new Vice President, James Griffith. Monika grew up speaking a different language and visiting relatives abroad, and she believes that her background significantly contributed to her interest in other cultures. She loved learning about the world through travel and through the unique experiences of others as far back as she can remember. As a matter of practicality, she thought that she could combine this interest with her career goals. This led to a series of global health related endeavors including: living in a leprosy hospital in India, visiting infectious disease clinics in Namibia, working on an inpatient medical unit in Uganda, and traveling to Siberia with the hope of starting a global health center one day. Though it is hard for her to gauge whether any of these endeavors were a "success" in the broad sense, she did discover that she was specifically interested in mental health. Medical school helped solidify this goal not only through individual patient encounters but also through new mentorship and research opportunities including: completing an elective at a community mental health clinic and training site in Patagonia, working on the South American research hub, RedeAmericas, and, more recently, completing her master's degree in global mental health. The title of Monika's talk is "Are the arguments against global mental health and its perceived cultural insensitivity true? "



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Program Schedule
Day 1: Thursday, April 19, 2018

Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
7:30 – 8:30	Registration and Breakfast	
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome Remarks & Housekeeping Details	
8:45 – 10:15	Plenary lecture: What does culture mean? Insights from anthropology	Byron Good Mary-Jo Delvecchio Good Discussant: Laurence Kirmayer
10:15 – 10:45	Break	
10:45 – 11:30	Hughes award lecture: Observational measurement of family functioning for a low-resource setting: Adaptation and feasibility in a Kenyan sample	Ali Giusto
11:30 – 12:15	Spiegel award lecture: Are the arguments against global mental health and its perceived cultural insensitivity true?	Monika Karazja
12:15 – 1:15	Lunch	
1:15 – 2:45	Symposium: Culture and ecological context in global mental health: comparative studies from Mexico, Haiti, Italy, and the U.S.	Olga Olivas Hernández, Janis Jenkins, David Grelotti, Thomas J. Csordas Moderator: Janis Jenkins
	Workshop: An ACT approach to discovering the meaning of culture	Kenneth Fung
	Workshop: Publishing in cultural psychiatry	Laurence Kirmayer, Roberto Lewis-Fernández, Atwood Gaines, Neil Aggarwal Moderator: James Griffith
	Paper session: War, conflict, and mental health The impact of war-induced migration on cultural identity formation in adolescence: A family perspective Mental health and psychosocial problems among conflict-affected adults in northern Bougainville: A rapid qualitative assessment Culture, violence and resistance in the Middle East: Experiences of women through an internet platform "Uprising of Women in the Arab World"	Marjorie Rabiau Shoshanna Fine Nathalie Baba
2:45 – 3:15	Break	

Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
3:15 – 4:45	Symposium: Cultural Affordances: An eco-psycho-social framework for rethinking culture in psychiatry	Samuel Veissière, Laurence Kirmayer, Ana Gómez-Carrillo Moderator: Samuel Veissière
	Workshop: Hope Modules: Brief psychotherapeutic interventions to counter demoralization among refugees and forcibly displaced people	James Griffith
	Paper session: Cross-cultural assessment, adaptation, and global mental health Revised Outline for Cultural Formulation based on experience with the Cultural Formulation Interview for DSM-5 Using cultural and contextual insights to inform implementation strategies: An example of family therapy in Kenya Lessons from a cross-cultural China-Canada suicide prevention research project	Moderator: Mitchell Weiss Mitchell Weiss Bonnie Kaiser June Lam
	Paper session: Safety and cultural consultation Are we talking as professionals or as mothers? Cultural consultation in context: A comparison of intake and triage in Montreal, London and Paris Cultural safety in working with refugees and immigrants: The case of Farsi-speaking newcomers in Quebec	Moderator: Neil Aggarwal Mónica Ruíz-Casares George Eric Jarvis Fahimeh Mianji
4:45 – 5:45	Poster session Mental Illness Among Bhutanese Refugees in the United States: An Overview Indigenous research methods: A systematic review Implementing a new training program in social and cultural psychiatry in regional Australia Assessment for experience of microaggressions and coping strategies in young adults of color in the Dorchester, Mattapan, and Roxbury neighborhoods of Boston How to identify the cultural idioms of distress in immigrant and Native American patients Lost in Interpretation: A Case Report of Navigating A Communication Mistake with A Syrian Refugee	Aditi Giri Alexandra Drawson Bipin Ravindran Brandon Newsome Clara Aisenstein Diana Robinson

Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
	Islamic faith and tradition shape ethical perspectives on refugee patients in Jordan– A phenomenological approach	Eric Rafla-Yuan
	Medical students learning the processual character of culture: celebrating a decade of teaching experience in Uganda	Grace Akello
	“Who am I after all this and where should I say that I am from?” Defining a culture of displacement and its impact on refugee self-framing and well being	Grace Kyoon-Achan
	Cross-institutional collaboration between Cambodia and the University of Colorado	Isabelle Guillemet
	The complexity of culture: A case study of mental health services for LGBTQ* communities	Jann Tomaro
	Catatonia in a Yemeni refugee	Jyotsna Ranga
	The academic success for international students who do not speak English as the first language	Kuan-I Wu
	Mental health services in Northern Uganda	Lauren Weittenhiller
	The relationship of the concept of cultural competence and strategies of care for culturally diverse populations in the Brazilian public health system	Luciana Carvalho
	A Case Report of a Diagnostic Dilemma in a 30yo Ethiopian Refugee	Marie Lyse Turk
	Self-definition, diaspora, and myth formation	Samuel Okpaku
	Cultural factors in the life story perspective delaying and influencing patient treatment and outcomes	Souraya Torbey
	The ‘global’ engulfs the ‘local’: Voices from community mental health organisations in Kerala, India	Sudarshan R Kottai
	Psychological problems of children migrated from other cultures	Tsezar Korolenko
	Loss and opportunity in acculturation: recovery as clarification of cultural identity, a case study	Varsha Narasimhan
6:00 – 8:00	Reception	

Program Schedule
Day 2: Friday, April 20, 2018

Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
8:30 – 10:00	Plenary panel: What does “culture” mean? Clinical, research, training, and policy perspectives	Cécile Rousseau Elizabeth Carpenter-Song Marjorie Kagawa Singer Paul Brodwin Moderator: Roberto Lewis-Fernández
10:00 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:15	Plenary panel: Breakout discussion sessions	Shannon Suo (Clinical) Hendry Ton (Training) Bonnie Kaiser (Research) Neil Aggarwal (Policy)
11:15 – 12:00	Plenary panel: Reporting back and discussion	
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch and Business Meeting	
1:30 – 3:00	Symposium: Cultures and the opioid epidemic in Central Appalachia	Larry Merkel, Claire Snell-Rood, Diana Robinson Discussant: Joseph Westermeyer Moderator: Larry Merkel
	Works in Progress: A grant-writing workshop The cultures of competence in multicultural societies Barriers to mental health services for Hmong Elders Pursuing cultural competence at the organizational and clinical levels: A system-based model applied to a community center in NYC	Moderator: Alan Teo Ana Gómez-Carrillo Xiong Yee Pamela Montano-Arteaga
	Resident Consultation Session	Kenneth Fung
	Workshop: All psychotherapy is cross-cultural*	Steven Wolin, Vincenzo Di Nicola
	Paper session: Attention to culture in service provision and training The aesthetic imperative in cross-cultural clinical encounters The evolving definition of culture and the cultural humility approach in mental health service provision, training, and research Can Oregon legislation successfully mandate cultural competence in health care?	Moderator: Hendry Ton Helgi Eyford Mayio Konidaris-Kozirakis Amela Blekic
3:00 – 3:30	Break	

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Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
3:30 – 5:00	Symposium: Culture and curriculum: a comparison of transcultural psychiatry training in Ottawa, Toronto and Montreal	George Eric Jarvis, Lisa Andermann, Azaad Kassam Discussant: Kenneth Fung
	Workshop: Teaching adults in the changing culture of medicine and society	Shannon Suo, Hendry Ton, Andrés Sciolla, Ruth Shim
	Workshop: Intersectional identities at play in the “culture” of American psychiatry - How do mental health professionals understand their obligations to intervene when discrimination occurs in clinical settings?	Ian Hsu, Nikhil Patel, Nina Sreshta
	Paper session: Youth mental health Cultural safety in youth mental health services: Clinicians’ and families’ use of culture as a mediator for dialogue Parent-child emotion discussion is linked to children’s socio-emotional competence in Chinese American immigrant families College drinking culture: Nature and extent	Moderator: Cécile Rousseau Janique Johnson-Lafleur Kaley Curtis Joseph Westermeyer
Evening Dinner Out		

Program Schedule
Day 3: Saturday, April 21, 2018

Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
8:30 – 10:00	Symposium: From cultural competency to structural competency in psychiatric training and practice	Helena Hansen, Joel Braslow, Selena Suhail-Sindhu, Parth Patel Moderator: Helena Hansen
	Workshop: Exploring the complexity of cultural identity and cultural stressors/supports through the film “The Music of Strangers: Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble”	Francis Lu, Ruth Shim, Andrés Sciolla, Shannon Suo
	Workshop: Microaggressions	Tatiana Claridad, Ranna Parekh, Jai Gandhi, Rustin Dakota Carter
	Paper session: Task-shifting in mental health care Brief gatekeeper training for suicide prevention in an ethnic minority population: A controlled intervention “Are traditional healers psychotic?” and “I know a healer who cured psychosis”: Sub-cultures among generalist clinicians engaged in mental health task-sharing in rural Nepal Evolving concepts of culture brokers in mental health care settings	Moderator: Bonnie Kaiser Alan Teo Pragya Rimal Eleanor McGroarty
10:00 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 12:00	Symposium: Three ways of looking at culture: Social class, dialogues & borders, camps & refugees	Vincenzo Di Nicola, Nadia Daly, Neda Faregh Discussant: Steven Wolin
	Workshop: How to use the Participatory Photography Assessment Tool (P-PAT) to engage children in research cross-culturally	Mónica Ruíz-Casares
	Workshop: Working with interpreters in mental health: Doing therapy in slow motion	Georgi Kroupin
	Paper session: Identity, discrimination, and societal context Three culturally-based hypotheses linking blackness, madness, and dangerousness Does the number of reasons matter? A critical review of current evidence on multiple discrimination and health Teaching cultural psychiatry in today’s sociopolitical climate	Moderator: Francis Lu King Davis Sylvanna Vargas Belinda Bandstra
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch	

Time	Title	Speaker/Facilitator
1:00 – 2:30	Workshop: Teaching cultural psychiatry to address community mental health challenges	Anna Fiskin, Dawn Sung
	Works-in Progress Exploring intersectionality as an analytic tool for transforming the 'culture' of mental health practice Developing a family version of the Cultural Formulation Interview A model curriculum for improving clinical language skills among bilingual mental health care providers	Moderator: Roberto Lewis-Fernández Nancy Clark Vasudeo Paralikar Michael Alpert
	Paper session: Cross-cultural concepts of mental illness A qualitative analysis of women with depression in Bangalore: A focus on women's experience Missing concept of hazardous and harmful alcohol use in the culture of collective drunkenness among the Peruvian Andean population 'Brain Fog': Metamorphosis of a symptom, syndrome and society	Moderator: Larry Merkel Pooja Lakshmin Sakiko Yamaguchi Oyedeji Ayonrinde
2:30 – 2:45	Break	
2:45 – 4:15	Workshop: Decolonizing mental health: Caregivers as accomplices on the frontlines	Rosemary Fister
	Paper session: Indigenous perspectives Cultural renewal in indigenous mental health "Culture" across partners in a community-based suicide prevention program for indigenous youth in Ontario, Canada 'Linguistic schizophrenia': Colonial pathology and cultural re/invention	Moderator: Laurence Kirmayer Laurence Kirmayer Gerald McKinley Eden Almasude
	Paper session: Novel interventions and approaches A culturally adapted Dialectical Behavior Therapy skills intervention for women with suicidal behaviors in rural Nepal: A single-case experimental design series Chinese immigrant use of smartphone apps toward improving child mental health awareness and resource delivery: A pilot study The entanglement of spirituality, culture, and psychosis: Expanding our perception of mental illness, engaging traditional healers, and nurturing community	Moderator: Vincenzo Di Nicola Megan Ramaiya Emily Wu Amanda Satterthwaite