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Violence, Power, and the Social Fabric

Jessica Benjamin on Listening to the Furies

LISTENING TO THE FURIES: RELATIONAL TRAUMA AND THE MORAL THIRD.

Join pioneering relational psychoanalyst Dr. Jessica Benjamin presenting her reading of Aeschylus' classical work *The Oresteia*. Expanding on her established framework of the "doer/done-to" dynamic and providing an incisive commentary on the foundation of the Oedipal myth in psychoanalysis, Dr. Benjamin uses the epic poem to analyze the psychological roots of collective trauma and social violence.

She will discuss how the breakdown of mutual recognition traps societies in cycles of vengeance and how the concept of the "Moral Third" can offer a pathway toward repair. Dr. Benjamin will explore with us the relevance of this work for navigating both clinical impasses and broader socio-political controversies.

Dr Jessica Benjamin is a founder of Relational Psychoanalysis and author of the milestone book *The Bonds of Love*. Her intersubjective framework links clinical practice with critical social theory to explore mutual recognition, while her landmark paper—the fourth most cited in psychoanalytic history—introduced the "analytic third" to address gender oppression, collective trauma, and international political violence. She is globally recognised for expanding her relational framework into the geopolitical sphere, using her concept of the "moral third" to analyze political violence and historical reconciliation.

Date:	Saturday, 21 November 2026
Time:	10:00am – 12:00pm - Australian Eastern Standard Time (Sydney)
Venue:	This seminar will be solely on Zoom
Cost:	IARPP Aust members $70 per seminar Non-members $85 per seminar

Platform: Conducted via ZOOM only.
Recording: These live events will not be recorded, and recording by attendees is strictly prohibited.
Access: A Zoom link will be sent to the email address used to register one day prior to the seminar.
Equity Access: If you would like to attend a seminar but the ticket fee is a financial barrier, please contact Meg Carley at dr.m.carley@gmail.com.

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