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Person-centered, Humanistic, Liberation psychotherapist with extensive experience and training working with erotically marginalized adults and adolescents.

Skills

Ace spectrum affirming therapy
EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing)
Gender affirming therapy & surgery assessments
HAES/Body positive therapy
Intersex affirming therapy
Kink affirming therapy
Polyamorous affirming therapy
Queer affirming therapy
Sex therapy
Trauma informed therapy

Work History

2017-06 - present

Psychotherapist

Private Practice, San Francisco, CA

Providing trauma-informed sex therapy for erotically marginalized clients

2017-07 - 2018-08

Psychotherapist

Dimensions Health Clinic, San Francisco, CA

Gender-affirming surgery assessments and therapy with transitional-age youth

2017-07 - 2017-12

Psychotherapist

LYRIC (Lavender Youth Recreation And Information Center), San Francisco, CA

Individual and group psychotherapy with transitional-age youth

2015-11 - 2017-07

Integrated Clinical Social Worker

Lyon-Martin Health Services (Health Right 360), San Francisco, CA

Individual and group therapy, surgery assessments, and crisis deescalation

2014-11 - 2015-11

Psychotherapist

Prevention and Recovery in Early Psychosis (PREP), San Francisco, CA

Client-centered psychosis interventions in individual and family psychotherapy

2013-03 - 2014-06

Psychotherapist, private practice internship

Dr. Janet Linder, LCSW, San Francisco, CA

Individual and intimate relationship psychotherapy

2011-12 - 2013-06

Psychotherapist

Queer Life Space, San Francisco, CA

Individual and group psychotherapy

Education

2008-08 - 2011-06

Master of Social Work

University of Southern Maine, Portland, ME

1998-08 - 2003-06

Bachelor of Arts, Religion & Gender Studies

Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY

Presentations

- 2018-10 **Beyond the Binary:
Exploring and Deepening Understanding of Gender in the Therapeutic Setting**
for Bay Area Open Minds, San Francisco, CA
- 2018-08 **LGBTQ+ Community & Paganism**
at Maine Pagan Unity Day, Portland, ME
- 2016-10 **Schizophrenia Spectrum & Other Psychotic Disorders:
Information and interventions for patients with psychosis**
for Lyon-Martin Health Services, San Francisco, CA

Affiliations

American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors, and Therapists
Association for Size Diversity and Health
Bay Area Open Minds
Community-Academic Consortium for Research on Alternative Sexualities
GAYLESTA
National Association of Social Workers
Northern California Community for Emotionally-Focused Therapy

Clinical Trainings

- 2021 **WOMEN'S SEXUAL PROBLEMS**
with The Buehler Institute
- PLISSIT MODEL**
with The Buehler Institute
- MEN'S SEXUAL PROBLEMS**
with The Buehler Institute
- 2020 **PERFECT UNTIL CUT: THE LIFE OF AN INTERSEX ACTIVIST**
with Dana Zzyym and Rosalyn Disachiavo,, EdD, MA, CSES
Founder and Director of The Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment
- EROTOPHOBIA:CULTURAL IMPACTS**
with Rosalyn Disachiavo,, EdD, MA, CSES
Founder and Director of The Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment
- RESPONSIVE DESIRE: THE SCIENCE BEHIND "COME AS YOU ARE"**
with Dr. Emily Nagoski for The Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment
- THE MYTH OF SEX ADDICTION: A CONVERSATION WITH DAVID LEY**
with Dr. David Ley and Rosalyn Disachiavo, EdD, MA, CSES
Founder and Director of The Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment
- PRINCIPLES OF HOLISTIC SEX EDUCATION**
with Rosalyn Disachiavo, EdD, MA, CSES
Founder and Director of The Institute for Sexuality Education & Enlightenment
- FOUNDATIONS OF SEXUAL IDENTITY**
with The Buehler Institute
- ETHICS IN SEX THERAPY: REVIEW THE AASECT CODE OF ETHICS**
with The Buehler Institute
- THE BASICS OF KINK AND THERAPY**
with Anna Randall, LCSW, DHS & Richard Sprott, PhD of TASHRA
(The Alternative Sexualities Health Research Alliance)

BDSM AND THE DSM

with Anna Randall, LCSW, DHS & Richard Sprott, PhD of TASHRA
(The Alternative Sexualities Health Research Alliance)

CONSENT, ABUSE, AND CRIMINALITY

with Anna Randall, LCSW, DHS & Richard Sprott, PhD of TASHRA
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HEALING AND PERSONAL GROWTH THROUGH KINK

with Anna Randall, LCSW, DHS & Richard Sprott, PhD of TASHRA
(The Alternative Sexualities Health Research Alliance)

DIVERSE POPULATIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS IN KINK

with Anna Randall, LCSW, DHS & Richard Sprott, PhD of TASHRA
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COUNTERTRANSFERENCE WITH KINK-INVOLVED CLIENTS

with Anna Randall, LCSW, DHS & Richard Sprott, PhD of TASHRA
(The Alternative Sexualities Health Research Alliance)

CLINICAL WORK WITH CLIENTS WHO DO SEX WORK

with Sarah Hemphill, LCSW, co-facilitator of Chicago's Sex Worker Support Group, for
CARAS (Community-Academic Consortium for Research on Alternative Sexualities)

**OVERVIEW OF NARCISSISTIC PERSONALITY STYLES FOR THERAPISTS
& COACHES**

with Dr. Ramani Durvasula

GAINING AUTONOMY AND NAVIGATING MEDICATION

with Olga Runciman and Celine Cyr, for The Organic Recovery Learning Community

**THE IMPACT OF INTERGENERATIONAL TRAUMA ON ADULT SEXUAL
INTIMACY**

with Suzanne Iasenza, PhD, for The Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Study Center Annex

RESEARCH INTO BDSM: WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS NEEDED?

with Dr. Charles Moser of Diverse Sexualities Research and Education Institute

**BEYOND THE BINARY: LEARNING TO TEACH GENDER INCLUSIVE SEX
EDUCATION**

with Angel Russell, CSE for the AJSE (American Journal of Sexuality Education)

**MINDFUL ANTIRACISM: FINDING RELATIONAL CONNECTION
BENEATH SHAME AND SAVIORISM**

with Francesca Maximé

LAW AND ETHICS WITH AN LGBTQ FOCUS, PARTS ONE & TWO

with Jeanne Courtney, MFT of Feminist Psychotherapy Associates

**CLINICALLY ADDRESSING NARCISSISTIC ABUSE: BEARING WITNESS &
PARADIGM SHIFTS**

with Dr. Ramani Durvasula

EFIT (EMOTIONALLY-FOCUSED INDIVIDUAL THERAPY) LEVEL 2

with Yve Gould, and Heike McCahon of NZCEFT & Lorrie Brubacher (International
Trainer and the Founder and Director of the Carolina Centre for EFT)

EFIT (EMOTIONALLY-FOCUSED INDIVIDUAL THERAPY) LEVEL 1
with Dr. Leanne Campbell & Dr. Sue Johnson (Founder of EFT and Director of The International Centre For Excellence In Emotionally Focused Therapy)

TRAUMA TO DHARMA (HAKOMI TRAINING)

with Manuela Mischke-Reeds, LMFT

ANATOMY AND NEUROLOGY OF SENSATION AND PLEASURE

with Dr. Robert Lawrence & Carol Queen, PhD

2019

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF SOMATIC EXPERIENCING

with Sage Hayes, SEP, LMT

BEING PART OF THE COMMUNITIES YOU SERVE

with Bay Area Open Minds

THE BODY KEEPS THE SCORE

with Bessel van der Kolk, MD

HAKOMI ESSENTIAL SKILLS

with Gal Szekely, LMFT of the Hakomi Institute of California

MANDATORY ABUSE REPORTING

with CE4Less

**CLINICAL SUPERVISION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF
SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR**

with CE4Less

ETHICS AND BOUNDARY ISSUES

with CE4Less

**CLINICAL SUPERVISION, LEGAL, ETHICAL, AND RISK MANAGEMENT
ISSUES**

with CE4Less

SUPERVISION: A GUIDE FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

with CE4Less

HIV/AIDS: A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW

with CE4Less

CALIFORNIA LAW AND ETHICS

with CE4Less

2018

DISORGANIZED ATTACHMENT: A BRILLIANT TRAUMA STRATEGY

with Karen Rachels, LMFT

**MENTAL HEALTH AT THE INTERSECTIONS: RACE, CLASS, AND
GENDER IN THE LGBTQI2-S COMMUNITIES**

with The Pacific Center for Human Growth

EMOTIONALLY-FOCUSED THERAPY EXTERNSHIP

with Dr. Michelle Gannon, Dr. Sam Jinich, and Dr. Sue Johnson

NON-DUAL WISDOM AND PSYCHOLOGY CONFERENCE

at California Institute for Integral Studies

- 2017 **EMDR (EYE MOVEMENT DENSENSITIZATION & REPROCESSING)**
with Dr. Andrew M. Leeds of Sonoma Psychotherapy Training Institute
- 2016 **TWO GENDER AFFIRMING SURGERY ASSESSMENT TRAININGS**
with Gender Health San Francisco, Department of Public Health
- 2015 **MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING**
with PREP (Prevention and Recovery in Early Psychosis)
- 2014-2015 **CBT-P (COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL THERAPY FOR PSYCHOSIS)**
with PREP (Prevention and Recovery in Early Psychosis)
- 2014 **ADULT TRANSGENDER CULTURAL COMPETENCE AND HUMILITY**
with San Francisco Department of Public Health
- 2011 **SEEKING SAFETY**
with Community Counseling Services, Portland, Maine
- 2003 **SEXUALITY EDUCATOR TRAINING**
with SFSI (San Francisco Sex Information)