



Tuesday, February 23, 2010  
7:30 – 9:30; SFCP Auditorium, 2340 Jackson St. 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco

**Adrienne Harris, Ph.D.**  
***Primitive Mental States: Psychoanalysts in the Shadow of the First World War.***

In this talk, Dr. Harris will look first at how Sandor Ferenczi came to think about primitive mental states, focusing in particular on his experiences in the war, and will link some of his ideas to the preoccupations of several of his contemporaries: Tausk, Simmel, and Bion. She proposes that close work with war veterans and, in several instances, direct experience of combat (Bion in particular) profoundly shaped theories of trauma, at a moment when Freud was insisting on much more strict adherence to a kind of drive theory and the sexual etiology (not seduction) of psychopathology.

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