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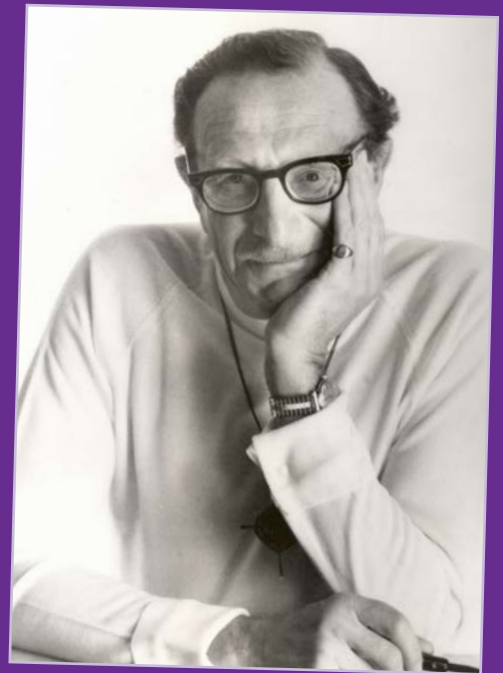
Developing TA Now

by Elana Leigh and Peter Rudolph

Eric Berne began transactional analysis in the late 1950s, the ITAA was founded in 1964, and EATA was established in 1976. In the years since, many other national, transactional analysis, and special interest associations have been successfully created and today are flourishing all over the world.

Transactional analysis today provides a coherent theory and methodology that promotes psychosocial health and development. International TA training and certification standards are high and, in many countries, supersede other approaches. These standards are demonstrated at local, regional, and international conferences that showcase the depth and richness of TA theory and practice.

EATA and ITAA had an affiliation agreement from 1989-1995, and in 1995 this agreement formally ended. Although this split was painful for many, retrospectively it was an important systemic intervention that facilitated the richer autonomous functioning of each association as it served



Eric Berne

different areas and groups in the world. And even when the associations ended their official affiliation agreement, there was a collective desire to collaborate. During recent years this has only increased.

Today, the governing boards of both EATA and ITAA are collaborating regularly in many ways with the aim of creating a worldwide transactional analysis identity with shared values and philosophies. We focus on maintaining and improving structures, roles, and processes within and between our associations as well as dream and vision a TA world community that breathes with one heart but honors difference.

In the past 2 years, we, as the respective presidents of ITAA and EATA, have worked diligently to improve our bilateral relationship, and in this effort, we have introduced the following processes:

- Worldwide webinars are organized by an international team that offers four webinars a year about relevant topics within the world TA community.
- We exchange our newsletters three times a year.
- We ensure that members of the Transactional Analysis World

Council of Standards (TAWCS) work collaboratively and honor the mutual agreement made between the two associations. The successful transition to online exams has demonstrated how this collaboration is in the interest of the world TA community.

- Every 3 months the ITAA and EATA presidents attend each other's executive/board meetings.
- The two presidents have worked with an external consultant to provide us with space to focus on our vision separately and together.

Our current vision is to have a shared mission statement that honors our joint philosophy and values. EATA is an organization of associations, the central mission and vision of which has been to focus on the creation and maintenance of high professional and certification standards. The results are impressive and have impacted and changed the global standards and practice both within and outside of transactional analysis. This is reflected in EATA's mission statement:

- To promote knowledge and research on transactional analysis, to develop its theory, and to ensure agreed standards of practice
- To promote cooperation in Europe in the field of transactional analysis
- To connect the affiliated members of EATA through their national, regional, international, or specialist TA associations

The ITAA, on the other hand, is an association of direct individual members. Because of its history and the way it is structured, the ITAA has separated its training and certification functions from its other aims and functions. The former are

overseen by the International Board of Certification (IBOC) and the latter by the ITAA, which focuses on connecting members through a common philosophy and value system based in its radical psychiatry roots. These emphasize facilitating the growth and development of TA on all levels. ITAA's mission statement is as follows:

The International Transactional Analysis Association is a non-profit educational organization that facilitates international communication among people and groups who use transactional analysis. The ITAA works to build understanding, knowledge, and acceptance of transactional analysis and to sustain the historical body of knowledge. It provides theoreticians and practitioners—clinical, organizational, and educational—with techniques of proven value for enriching life, a forum for evolving new transactional analysis theory and methods, and an ethical framework.

In our process toward the common development of TA, we, Peter and Elana, were asked by a consultant three questions:

- Who are we?
- What do we do?
- Where do we want to go?

These questions open the space for reviewing our values, vision, identity, and mission, and we will in the next month be creating a space for past presidents of both associations to meet to address these questions because those individuals, over the years, have carried the responsibility for these organizations. Doing this will make the process more collectively supported and stimulated, which will be reflected in the recom-

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recommendations for a shared world TA mission statement.

In the process of creating a world mission statement, EATA and ITAA need to reflect on the following:

- Does OKness include our natural environment?
- Do our values include social justice?
- Does OK include social and global justice?
- What are the boundaries of our profession(s)?
- What values need to be reflected in a mission statement or an ethical code?

In addition, EATA needs to grapple with the “E-question”: What does it mean to be European? What is the special need and request for us to stay as a European organization (decided by council 2020)?

We appreciate that the worldwide transactional analysis community

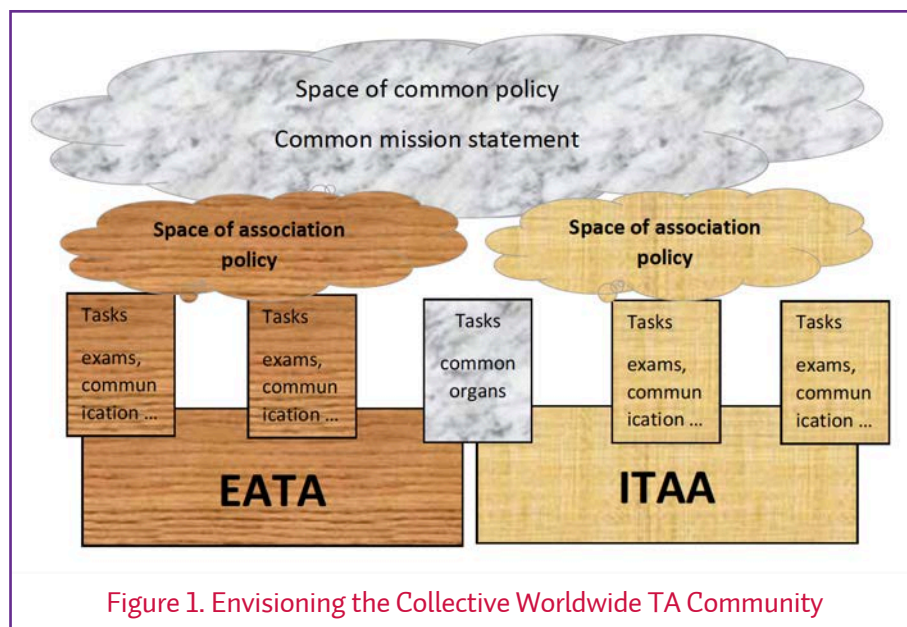


Figure 1. Envisioning the Collective Worldwide TA Community

is larger than ITAA and EATA, but in this context, and with the intention of creating a united mission statement, we need to reflect and review these questions.

Figure 1 is one way of envisioning our collective worldwide TA community in that it shows our differences and our place of meeting in a shared space.

This collaboration has been a rich and meaningful part of our roles as presidents, and we hope that EATA and ITAA will continue to value ongoing cooperation beyond our presidencies.

Elana Leigh, ITAA President

Peter Rudolph, EATA President

TAJ Theme Issues

“Systemic Oppression: What Part Do We Play?”

Coeditors: Helen Rowland and
Karen Minikin
Deadline: 1 August 2021



“Ecological Transactional Analysis”

Coeditors: Giles Barrow, Hayley
Marshall, and Sylvie Monin
Deadline: 1 February 2022

Please follow the submission requirements posted [here](#).

Email manuscripts to

TAJ Managing Editor Robin Fryer, MSW, at robinfryer@aol.com.

Transactional Analysis Bulletin Available Online

We are happy to report that the *Transactional Analysis Bulletin* is available and searchable online through the Eric Berne Archive at the University of California San Francisco. These publications, from 1962-1969, were the precursor to the *Transactional Analysis Journal* and offer a fascinating look into the early days of transactional analysis. They include reports from Berne’s early San Francisco Social Psychiatry Seminar; articles by Berne, Steiner, Karpman, and other TA luminaries; news of training and early certification; and much more. This invaluable collection is accessed via one of these links: [Internet Archive](#) or [Calisphere](#).

ITAA Contact Info

The ITAA and IBOC have a new phone number and postal address:

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Next Webinar to Feature Dwight Turner on Identity and Intersectionality

The EATA/ITAA Webinar Committee cordially invites you to a webinar on Thursday 10 June at 9 am GMT/UTC (10 am BST). During this event, you will have the opportunity to meet with colleagues from within and beyond the transactional analysis global community.

The theme of this webinar is “The Complexity of Identity Through an Intersectionality Lens.” In our conversations during our time together, we will examine our intersectional identities and how power exists between the norm and the other, both within and without. Based on (un-)conscious majority images of identity that are related to mainstream and social power, we realize that identity differs in many sections. This difference is often linked with a lack of social power. As Black lesbian feminist socialist mother Audre Lorde said in a paper delivered at the Copeland Colloquium at Amherst College in April 1980 (https://www.colorado.edu/odece/sites/default/files/attached-files/rba09-sb4converted_8.pdf):

Somewhere, on the edge of consciousness, there is what I call a *mythical* norm, which each one of us within our hearts knows “that is not me.” In America, this norm is usually defined as white, thin, male, young,

heterosexual, Christian, and financially secure. It is with this mythical norm that the trappings of power reside within this society. Those of us who stand outside that power often identify one way in which we are different, and we assume that to be the primary cause of all oppression, forgetting other distortions around difference, some of which we ourselves may be practising. (para. 7)

How do we as transactional analysts deal with these identity questions?

For this ITAA-EATA webinar, we are pleased to have as our guest Dr. Dwight Turner, an activist, writer, and public speaker on issues of race, difference, and intersectionality in counseling and psychotherapy. Dr. Turner is a senior lecturer within the School of Applied Social Sciences at the University of Brighton, lecturing in their PG Dip and MSc courses in counseling and psychotherapy; a PhD supervisor in their doctoral college; and a psychotherapist and supervisor in private practice. His latest book, *Intersections of Privilege and Otherness in Counselling and Psychotherapy*, was published in February 2021 by Routledge. Dr. Turner will open the event



Dwight Turner

and speak for 15 minutes to offer us some stimulating perspectives on the webinar theme.

Following Dr. Turner’s thoughts, we will, in conversation, examine our intersectional identities and how power exists between the norm and the other, both within and without.

Attendance will be limited this time to 250 participants, so please sign up early. And if you find you cannot attend, please cancel your registration so that someone else can participate.

To register, [click here](#) . 6

Introducing Regional Exam Coordinators

by Sue Eusden and Jacqueline van Gent

This month we prepared for the mock TSTA exams, which were held on 16 May. We will report in the July *Script* on how those went.

In this issue we want to introduce and highlight some of the people who are involved in our exam processes. A team of five regional exam coordinators (RECs) organize the marking of written exams and liaise with the IBOC co-chairs to help oversee exam processes around the world. They represent New Zealand and Australia, Europe, India, Japan, and North America and Latin America. We now meet regularly to share information, experiences, and resources.

We are happy to introduce these team members.

Vicky Blake: I am a registered psychotherapist and PTSTA working in private practice in Christchurch, New Zealand. I am the regional exam coordinator for New Zealand and Australia. It is now autumn in New Zealand, and the leaves are changing color and falling from the trees. The mornings and evenings are colder, the wind is



cool, the sun less intense. It warms me to write this short piece for *The Script* knowing that it reaches people in climates and seasons of diversity and difference. My role as an REC involves processing CTA written exams submitted for marking: receiving the documents from the IBOC administrator, finding a marker, handling the paperwork, and communicating with the candidate, markers, IBOC and regional exam coordinators, and the IBOC administrator. I appreciate being part of the international community together with providing support and collegiality to professionals who are affiliated with transactional analysis. *Vicky can be reached at vicky@vickyblake.co.nz.*

Thorsten Geck: Among many other roles I hold in the TA community, I am regional exam coordinator for Europe. In the last 8 years I received one exam. In contrast, in my role as language coordinator for the German-speaking countries in EATA, I processed over 200 exams during the same time. Together with the IBOC and PSC, I oversee, adapt, improve, and modify the regulations and requirements for TA training, written exams, and



oral exams. I am also ITAA Vice President for Professional Standards and the appointed manager for the IBOC. I am an organizational consultant working in team development, change processes, leadership training, and coaching. TA informs my thinking about what is going on in groups, and I am passionate about applying TA in the workplace. I run international TA groups in the field of organizations. *Thorsten can be reached at iboc-manager@use.start-mail.com.*

Sailaja Manacha: I am a TSTA (P) residing in Bangalore, India. I teach and supervise multiple psychotherapy training groups there and also run my own company, Physis, which is engaged in leader development and coaching. I enjoy contributing as an REC in my region and am glad to see the increasing number of credentialed TA professionals in India. *Sailaja can be reached at sailaja@physis.co.in.*



Takayuki Muroki: I have been a regional exam coordinator for the Japan region since 2016. I live in Saitama Prefecture, Japan, and while teaching psychology as a professor

at Edogawa University, I hold workshops on TA (redecision therapy) and gestalt therapy. I became an ITAA member in 1994 and am currently in training as a PTSTA-P. As a regional exam coordinator, it is difficult to find a marker because there are still so few TSTAs and PTSTAs in Japan. However, it is a great honor and fun for me to be an REC and to work with regional exam coordinators in other regions. I hope that many certified transactional analysts will eventually come from Japan. I am also the president of the Transactional Analysis Association of Japan (TAAJ), a partnership



organization with ITAA. On 5–6 June 2021, I will host the annual TAAJ conference online with ITAA President Elana Leigh as the keynote speaker. I will continue to do my best for the ITAA and look forward to working with you. *Takayuki can be reached at tmuroki@edogawa-u.ac.jp.*

Gloria Noriega: I am the regional exam coordinator for North America and Latin America, a TSTA-P, and the Director of Instituto Mexicano de Análisis Transaccional (IMAT). My goal as an REC is to facilitate and increase the number of CTAs in this part of the world. However, I receive few requests for written exam evaluations, perhaps



because of the lack of translation for non-English-speaking candidates and official recognition for CTA certification in some countries. Ruben Parra, a collaborator at our institute in Mexico City, donated a translation into Spanish of all the Eric Berne Award articles as well as the translation of some books. These are available to download for free in the section “Publicaciones” on the IMAT website at <http://imat.com.mx>. On the site are also links to the TA 101 Project on YouTube and to the Eric Berne Archive at the University of California San Francisco. You may find all of this information useful either for your training and certification process or to get updated information about transactional analysis. *Gloria can be reached at gnoriega@imat.com.mx.*

Words of Appreciation and Farewell to Janet Chin

Dear Janet: I met you for the first time at the 2014 conference in San Francisco. By that time Zoom was on its way but not as common as it is now. We conferred together via email. Even then it felt familiar and smooth. Working with you was always speedy and efficient. You were in the center of the work of the IBOC, dealing with all the questions from members, candidates, and requests from us as IBOC chairs. On behalf of the IBOC, I thank you for your years of service. You will be surely missed! You are going into retirement, usually a time to travel to places, something that remains difficult at this time. I am sure, however, that you will find opportunities to enjoy retirement and the next step of what life has to offer. Thank you so much! *Thorsten Geck, VP Professional Standards, Manager of IBOC (Germany)*

In the May 2021 *Script*, Elana wrote that we are saying good-bye to Janet “with great sadness and deep appreciation.” I totally agree—in fact, I guess I had been in denial until then. I didn’t want to think that Janet will not be there, at her computer, answering emails within minutes, always with a solution or a suggestion, always helpful, always grounded and efficient, always positive, but above all, always cheerful and often funny. Janet began her work with T&CC around the time that I started running exams and later became chair. She helped me to navigate the sometimes choppy waters of TA certification regulations. She could be relied on to spot potential hitches before they turned into crises and to alert us to any “tempest in a teapot” in time to calm the storm. Over time, the players and the processes changed,

and many things evolved, and Janet has been calmly there, keeping us all informed, updated, and prepared. Thank you Janet, you will be much missed. *Trudi Newton (UK)*

In my previous roles as cochair of the IBOC and regional representative to the ITAA Board of Trustees for Africa for several years, Janet was always supportive and efficient. Whatever information was needed was reliably sent to my inbox with speed and accuracy! I wish you well, Janet, as you move into retirement. May you find peace and joy in the next chapter of your life. *Karen Pratt (South Africa)*

From the time I became an ITAA member, I’ve interacted with Janet Chin. She has been the “go to” person for all of us, for any need that we have had, big or small. When I became the IBOC cochair, Janet was the fulcrum of all of its activities.

Whenever I asked her for information, I would instantly get a response. For IBOC exams, she had a clear list of items that would be promptly sent: candidates' details, examiners' details, ribbons, certificates, just about every minute detail taken care of! I often wondered how much information could be held by one person and what we would do when "she decided to hang up her boots." The ITAA and IBOC will miss you, dear Janet. Lovingly, *Chitra Ravi (India)*

My first contact with Janet was in 2010 when I was a participant in the Montreal TEW. I remember feeling so well held by the prompt and friendly way Janet dealt with all kinds of my pre- and post-TEW questions. Our paths crossed again a couple of years ago when I stepped in the role of IBOC cochair. The way Janet immediately responded to the many queries that arrive each day in IBOC's mailbox was amazing and helped me to quickly find my way in this new role. Dear Janet, go well, enjoy a more relaxed life, and know that you will be missed a million! *Jacqueline van Gent (The Netherlands)*

Dear Janet: First of all, my very best wishes for a joyful and satisfying retirement. I fondly hold the memories of working with you over the several years of my involvement with the IBOC. Contacts with you were always warm, professional, and informative and responses dependably quick and to the point. When I met you face-to-face at the conference in California, it did not come as a surprise, but as a delight, that we worked together with such ease in the trainers' meeting. So here is my huge thank you for what you brought to us, and to me personally, in the ITAA. *Charlotte Daelenbach (New Zealand)* 📍



ITAA's First Online Workshop Was a Huge Success!

English-Language Recordings Still Available for Purchase

It's not too late to obtain access to the English-language recordings of all four sessions. They will be posted on ITAA's YouTube channel for a month of unlimited access – until 30 June 2021.

Talent discounts still apply, so register now at <https://tinyurl.com/ydfruxc9>

The Speakers During Their Sessions



Beatrijs Dijkman



Ed Novak



Sylvie Monin



Sabine-Inken Schmidt

Many Thanks to the ITAA Online Workshop Team

On behalf of the ITAA Board of Trustees, I want to thank our speakers, organizing team, and interpreters for their contributions to the first ITAA online workshops held on 21-23 May 2021:

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Michelle Thomé, Workshop Committee Chair

A Dilemma Between a Caring Moral Position and Governance

by Elana Leigh

Presiding over and serving the ITAA brings ongoing challenges that come with the role and are mostly OK to work with. Yet every now and again (more often recently), one comes along where I/we might want to close the door and say “PLEASE DO NOT ENTER!” In our governing roles, we, the ITAA officers and trustees, are required to keep the door and ourselves open knowing that with each problem or challenge comes a teaching, and it is for this reason that I am sharing these thoughts and questions with you.

The COVID-19 crisis in India strongly reminds us how we are not all in the same boats in this storm, and inequality, among many other social and political matters, carries shocking consequences for millions. Recently, the ITAA Board of Trustees (BOT) was directed to a few “donate to India” links. A reputable psychoanalytic organization was sharing them with their members, and one of our members asked if we could do the same. The first, natural response was to say “yes” and to give ourselves and ITAA members an opportunity to be active rather than to continue inhabiting a sense

of helplessness. If only life in an organization were that simple!

The BOT discussed the idea in some depth. It became clear that our dilemma centers around fairness and equity, and we know how fine a line this is to walk when so many people are suffering in many countries around the world. Another quandary is how to know which fund-raising agencies have robust systems and processes in place, meaning that any funds raised will go to those most in need. If we are endorsing fund-raising efforts, we need to be sure that they are bone fide.

Ultimately, we were left with more questions than answers, one clear issue being how the ITAA can support and help its members in addressing issues of vital humanitarian concern. This humanitarian/social issue is also a reminder of the complexity that already exists in relation to the ITAA supporting political and social matters in the world. Being elected office bearers, our responsibility as trustees is to our members, our bylaws, and our purpose, and when these do not support certain actions and alliances,



we must refrain from action. In such moments, including the one we are in now, we need to find other ways to show our individual and collective support for humanitarian, social, environmental, and political issues.

These challenges related to humanitarian and also political issues are provocative and hit me hard personally. Talking as a member rather than as president, to have my organization understandably unable to respond vigorously and thoughtfully to social and political crises because governance, fairness, ethics, and other important considerations must be prioritized fosters a dissonance in me that is hard to bear. However, perhaps this and similar dilemmas present us with the opportunity to

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reexamine our bylaws and mission statement in order to seek ways in which the ITAA can, as an organization, be free to respond to sociopolitical/environmental issues mindfully and openly. Such governance changes would, of course, be decided by the membership.

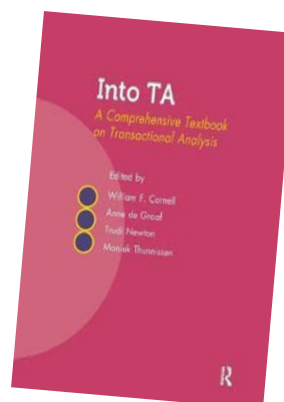
EATA President Peter Rudolph and I will soon meet with past presidents of our organizations (see page 2 in this *Script*), during which we will discuss this and other issues. One of our aims is to develop a shared mission statement that highlights that we are professional organizations that also include in our identities a strong commitment to being socially and environmentally conscious and active. We hope this will be reflected in all we do, including our code of ethics, our training and examinations, and, of course, how we carry ourselves in the world.

I want to end by reminding all of us in these difficult times to please consider how we as individuals can make a difference. This may come in many different forms, and each one matters. I wish you all safe times, and our thoughts are with you. 🍀

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JOIN THE AUTHORS OF INTO TA

The Dutch TA academy offers an online, multimedia introduction to transactional analysis by the authors/editors of the book



Into TA: A Comprehensive Textbook on Transactional Analysis

Bill Cornell, Anne de Graaf, Trudi Newton, and
Moniek Thunnissen



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de Graaf



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Newton



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The TA academy aims to attract professionals from around the globe. Offering this course online (via Zoom), starting 7 October, creates the possibility for students from all five continents to become further acquainted with what the authors of this book call “the treasury of TA.”

For detailed information and registration,
follow this link:

<https://ta-academie.nl/opleidingen/into-ta>

The International Journal of Psychotherapy (IJP) (the journal of the European Association of Psychotherapy) published a special issue in November 2019 (Vol. 23, No. 3) devoted to “Transactional Analysis Psychotherapy: A Humanistic Integrative Approach in the 21st Century.” The issue was edited by Biljana van Rijn and Bill Cornell and sponsored by the EATA and the ITAA. In their editorial, van Rijn and Cornell wrote, “Our aim in this issue was to present readers with a range of papers showing some of the diversity in modern thinking and working in transactional analysis psychotherapy, and some of its current research” (p. 8). The articles in this special issue include:



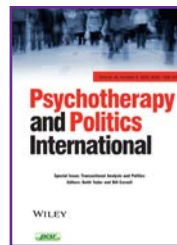
- “Why Transactional Analysis Works: Reasons for a Possible Explanation of Change in Psychotherapy” by Laura Bastianelli, Maria Teresa Tosi, Rosanna Giacometto, Cinzia Messina, and Davide Ceridono
- “Psychological Games in the Consulting Room” by Jo Stuthridge and Charlotte Sills
- “Relational Group Process: Developments in a Transactional Analysis Model of Group Psychotherapy” by Richard G. Erskine
- “The Relational Group Process: A Discussion of Richard Erskine’s Model of Group Psychotherapy from the Perspective of Eric Berne’s Theories of Group Treatment” by William F. Cornell
- “A Psycho-Tactile Approach to Trauma” by Gerry Pyves

- “Using Transactional Analysis to Treat Perinatal Mental Illness” by Emma Haynes
- “Single-Case Design Review and Meta-Analysis for Supporting the Method of Transactional Analysis Towards Recognition as an Empirically Supported Treatment for Depression” by Enrico Benelli and Mariavittoria Zanchetta

The Erskine and Cornell articles were previously published in the *Transactional Analysis Journal* and were reprinted in the *IJP* with permission.

PDFs of these articles can be purchased on the *IJP* website at www.ijp.org.uk.

Psychotherapy and Politics International (PPI) published a special issue in October 2020 (Vol. 18, No. 3) on “Transactional Analysis and Politics” edited by Keith Tudor and Bill Cornell (published by Wiley).



The issue contains 13 contributions by 17 authors, including two previously unpublished articles by Eric Berne. The contributions in this special issue include:

- “Man as a Political Animal” by Eric Berne
- “Transactional Analysis and Politics: A Critical Review” by Keith Tudor
- “Transactional Analysis and Our Philosophical Premises: 70 Years On” by Karen Minikin
- “COVID-19, Political Communication, and Public Health: A Transactional Analysis Perspective” by

Marco Mazzetti

- “Psychotherapy in the Time of COVID-19 (Psychotherapy Changes Shape and Steps Forward)” by Carole Shadbolt
- “Migration as a Risk and Opportunity: Terrenuove’s Experience” by Anna Rotondo and Susanna Ligabue
- “Looking at Activism Through the Lens of Transactional Analysis” by Kit Wai Tung Chiu
- “The International Association for Transactional Analysis: Social Engagement Committee” by Diane Salters
- “An Open Letter to the Psychotherapy and Counselling Profession: It Is Time to Recognise the Politics of Training and Practising with Tourette’s Syndrome” by Becky Simpson
- *Leap of Power: Take Control of Alcohol, Drugs, and Your Life* by Robert Schwebel, a book review by Johnny Dow and Keith Tudor
- *Claude Steiner, Emotional Activist: The Life and Work of Claude Michel Steiner* by Keith Tudor, a book review by Diane Salters
- “Human Nature in Peace and War” by Eric Berne
- “Reviewing the Special Issue ‘Transactional Analysis and Politics’: A Reflective Dialogue” by William Cornell and Keith Tudor

PDFs of these articles can be purchased on the *PPI* [website](http://www.ppi.org.uk). Access to this special issue will become open in January 2022. We will publish information on how to access it then. 📄

ITAA Financials Now Available

The financials for 2019 and 2020 are now available in the members-only section of the ITAA website. These will also be presented at the annual general membership meeting (AGM) on 31 July (see page 12 for more information).

Welcome to New Members

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Julie Adamson, United Kingdom
 Sarah Brammeier, United Kingdom
 Vidya D, India
 Annemieke Fox, United Kingdom
 Romy Graichen, United Kingdom
 Ivana Grujic, Serbia
 Karyn Hierl, United States
 Lee Hooper, New Zealand
 Emma Johnston, United Kingdom
 Milena Jonovic, Serbia
 Nada Khader, United Kingdom
 Saiprabha Koneru, India
 Fedja Kovacevic, Serbia
 Marianna Lazareva, Russia
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 Natalija Radulovic, Serbia
 Grace Rahman, United Kingdom
 Niraj Singh, India
 Dunja Stojkovic, Serbia
 Caroline Topham, United Kingdom
 Emma Travers, United Kingdom

Social Engagement Committee Webinar

The next ITAA Social Engagement Committee (SEC) webinar will be held on Monday, 28 June 2021 from 9 am-11 am GMT/UTC. The theme will be: "All in the same storm? But not in the same boat? Reflections on the storm itself and the uneven quality of the boats: Pandemic lessons for the TA community with particular reference to current and historical inequities."

We and our clients have all been impacted in one way or another by the pandemic. What have the learnings been for us as practitioners? It has also been clear that the impact of the pandemic has been much worse for some communities than for others. How does this challenge us, the world TA community? The purpose of the webinar will be to engage in dialogue about our collective experiences and these important questions.

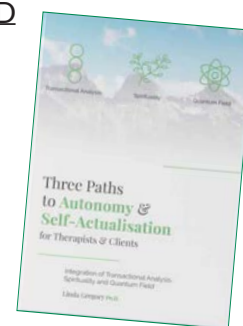
As with the previous webinars, the number of participants will be limited in order to ensure a good and meaningful dialogue in small groups with the opportunity to feed back learning to the larger group. If you have given the ITAA authority for electronic communications, you will receive an email in early June with details about how to register. If you have not given such authority, please go [here](#) to fill out the form and sign it, then return it to the ITAA office at info@itaaworld.org.

Diane Salters, SEC Chairperson, can be reached at disalters15@gmail.com.

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SAVE THE DATE!

Annual General Membership Meeting

In this time of COVID-19, we hope you are safe and well. This year we will again conduct the ITAA Annual General Membership meeting (AGM) via Zoom. The date is Saturday, 31 July at 10 am GMT/UTC. It will also include the celebration of the two 2021 ITAA awards.

We, the ITAA Board of Trustees, urge members to attend this meeting online. The agenda is as follows:

- Welcome to members and visitors
- Honoring and remembering people who passed this year
- Adoption of the minutes of the 2020 AGM
- Adoption of accounts for 2020
- Reports from the president and members of the board of trustees (BOT)
- Farewell and thanks to those leaving the BOT
- Introduction of new BOT members
- Any other business
- Questions and answers
- Notice of 2022 AGM
- Presentation of the 2021 Muriel James Living Principles Award to Janice Dowson and the ITAA Service Award to Izumi Kadomoto

Registration: For us to plan the event, we need you to register for it. Watch for an ITAA email in the next couple weeks with a link to register on Eventbrite. You will receive a Zoom invitation link closer to the date.

Logistics: We will use the Zoom online meeting platform for hosting this event. You can download the application free from the website: <https://www.zoom.us>.

To participate in the Zoom meeting, you must have a signed "Consent to Electronic Transmissions" form on file with the ITAA. Individuals with consent forms on file and who are ITAA members in good standing as of 30 June 2021 (the "Record Date") are entitled to vote.

An alternative in-person AGM will be held at the same time by ITAA President Elana Leigh at 158 Wellington Street, Bondi, 2026 NSW, Australia, for anyone without internet access, who does not have a signed "Consent to Electronic Transmission" form on file with the ITAA, or who is unable to phone in to a Zoom meeting. Please RSVP to Elana by 30 June 2021 for details.

Proxy Vote Form: If you cannot attend the 2021 AGM online or in person, please fill out the proxy form below. The ITAA Bylaws state that

the quorum for holding the membership meeting is 50 voting members or 5% of the qualified voting membership, whichever is smaller.

Please fill out, sign, and send the proxy vote to ITAA Secretary Rema K Giridhar by email to rema.k.giridhar@gmail.com if you have a signed "Consent to Electronic Transmission" form on file with the ITAA. If you have not signed and returned such a consent form, return your proxy form by postal mail to Rema K. Giridhar, A402, Palm Court, Thasami Park Residency, Opp Ulavar Sandhai, Singanallur, Coimbatore - 641 005, Tamil Nadu, India. The deadline for receipt of proxy forms sent to Rema K. Giridhar is 1 July 2021, or you can download, print, sign, scan, and transmit the form online to her at least 2 hours before the scheduled start time of the AGM. A "Consent to Electronic Transmission" form to and from the ITAA is located [here](#). This may be printed, signed, and returned to Rema K. Giridhar to expedite return of your proxy vote form by email.

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Proxy Vote Form

I (please print) _____
am a member in good standing of the International Transactional Analysis Association and herewith assign my proxy vote to the secretary of the ITAA or to (print name) _____
("my agent") to be used to establish a quorum at the membership meeting of the International Transactional Analysis Association, convening on 31 July 2021 at 10:00 GMT/UTC online via Zoom, and to cast my vote as my agent believes appropriate in the circumstances. This proxy will expire on the date that is 11 months following the date given below.

Signature: _____

Date: _____