

Registration Form and Call for Papers:

Seventh Annual Giving Voice to Experience Conference

At Seattle University-Casey Commons (5th floor)
Casey Building SU Campus

Saturday, April 26, 2014, 9 am – 5pm

This one day conference features phenomenological and other forms of qualitative research that have implications for therapeutic practice. You are invited to submit an abstract (by Monday, February 17, 2014) if you have research you want to present. Registration deadline is April 9 for presenters and April 18 for participants.

This conference showcases phenomenological and other forms of qualitative research in a forum of learning and dialogue. Those working in the field of mental health, education, and psychology, as well as graduate students from Seattle University and other programs are invited to attend. We believe that therapists can greatly benefit from qualitative research that gives us a deeper understanding of various human experiences, such as despair, living with back pain, and having difficult conversations about money.

This year we will have a special event as part of the conference: a jazz trio consisting of bass player Nate Omdal, pianist Michael Owcharuk and drummer, Max Wood, will do a demonstration improvisation for us and discuss the role of inspiration and improvisation in their performance. We are including this event not just because it is enjoyable to listen to jazz but because we want to highlight the role inspiration and improvisation plays in qualitative research. These dimensions of the research process are critical and yet they are not often acknowledged in the way that method and theory are.

Abstract Submission Directions:

All submissions will be evaluated by the conference planning committee. Criteria for selection:

- 1) As indicated above, the presentation has to be based on qualitative data.
- 2) The abstract will also be evaluated on the basis of its coherence and clarity.
- 3) It should fall within the orientations described, above.
- 4) Presentations that are primarily theoretical or based on clients' cases will not be accepted.
- 5) Papers based on previous presentations are welcome as are presentations with multiple authors.
- 6) All research topics are welcome.
- 7) The presentation should address **both method and findings**, but presenters are welcome to place the emphasis as they see fit. **Since there is a focus this year on improvisation**

and inspiration in research, do include reference to these themes if they were part of your research process.

- 8) Briefly point to the therapeutic relevance of your research
- 9) Make sure you state your affiliation next to your name (e.g., graduate student in psychology at University of Connecticut).

Those submitting will receive notice of the committee's decision by the end of March. Presenters have to register for the conference by April 9, 2014 to have their paper included on the conference program.

At the end of the abstract, please specify what your audio/visual needs may be.

Please email your abstract to: shalling@seattleu.edu

Registration

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. (SORRY, WE CANNOT REGISTER PEOPLE AT THE DOOR)
Registration Deadline is Friday, April 18, 2014 (postmarked).

Cost: \$55; \$25 for current graduate students. Registration includes morning snacks, lunch (vegetarian option available), coffee and tea, wine and cheese conversation hour and 6 CEUs.

*Parking: There is often a good deal of parking that is not metered on the side streets off of 12th Ave and on James east of 12th. However, there are parking permit dispensers at the first level of the Murphy Parking Garage and at the visitor's parking lot at 12th and Marian, cost is \$6 for the day.

Please make checks out to **Seattle University**; write "conference" in the bottom left "for" section. Please mail checks to:

Giving Voice Conference
c/o Department of Psychology
Seattle University
PO Box 222000
Seattle, WA 98122-1090

-----Registration Form (print and send in) -----

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Registrations must be postmarked by Friday, April 18, 2014 to be accepted.

\$55 or \$25 Current Graduate Student

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone _____

CEU Credits? Yes _____ No _____