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CURRICULUM VITAE

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Clinical Psychology, California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA, 1991

Jungian Studies in Psychology and Myth, 1973-Current

Sandplay Studies, 1985-Current. Month intensive with Dora M. Kalff – Jungian analyst & originator of Sandplay, Zollikon, Switzerland, 1989

Psychosynthesis Certificate, Psychosynthesis Training Institute, San Francisco, CA, Two year training, 1986-1988

Graduate Certificate, Pastoral Psychotherapy, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA, 1982

M.R.E., Master of Religious Education, Seattle University, Seattle, WA, 1981

M.A., Counseling Education, University of Alabama in Birmingham, Birmingham, AL, 1976

B.A., Cultural Anthropology, University of Notre Dame du lac, Notre Dame, IN, 1974

LICENSE

Professional Mental Health Counselor,
New Mexico LPC # 0075951, 2004-Current

New Mexico Continuing Education Provider,
077681, 2004-Current

Marriage and Family Therapist,
California MFT #29273; 1992-2003; 2003-Current inactive

California Continuing Education Provider,
PCE #1164; 1998-2002

EXPERIENCE

Keynote, Brian McLaren, Mpho Tutu & Alexander Shaia in Dialogue, International Conference, Baltimore, MD, 2011

Association of Christian Spiritual Directors, National Conference, New Zealand, 2011

Australian Network for Spiritual Direction, National Conference, Australia, 2011

Presbytery of Western New York, 2011

Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, Clergy Conference 2010

Episcopal Diocese of Camino Real, CA, Conference 2010

Spiritual Directors International, International Conference, San Francisco, CA, 2010

Sandplay Therapists of America, National Conference, Savannah, GA 2008

American Art Therapy Association, International Conference, Albuquerque, NM 2007

Retreat/ Conference Presenter, international, 1976-Current

Psychotherapist, private practice, 1982-2009

Consultant/ Supervisor, sandplay psychotherapy, 1993-Current

Spiritual Director, 1978-Current

Consultant for Spiritual Directors, 1992-Current

Blue Door Retreat, Santa Fe, NM, led daily/weekly Lectio Divina meditation communities, 2001- 2010

Commencement Address, Southwestern College, 2003

Annual Late Winter Myth Seminar, Co-presenter, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 2006-Current

EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty, School of Spiritual Direction, Pecos Benedictine Monastery, Pecos, NM; Canossian Sabbatical Program, Albuquerque, NM; Sangre de Cristo Sabbatical Program, Tesuque, NM; University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA; Institute of Imaginal Studies, Petaluma, CA; John F. Kennedy University, Orinda, CA; California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA, Pacific Graduate Institute, Santa Barbara, CA; Southwestern College, Santa Fe, NM; College of Santa Fe, Santa Fe, NM, 1988-2009

Regional/Ecumenical Clergy Conference on Quadratos, Burlingame, CA, Los Angeles, CA, Sacramento, CA, Santa Barbara, CA, Danville, CA, Saratoga, CA, Sonoma, CA, Boulder, CO, New York City, NY, Austin, TX, Santa Fe, NM, Birmingham, AL, Baltimore, MD, Lake Tahoe, NV, February-July 2010

Quadratos Immersion Pilot, Sacramento, CA, 2005-Current

Easter in New Cosmology (includes Ash Wednesday to Pentecost), compose text, music and rituals; prepare team and assembly, 1986-Current

Liturgist, La Casa de Maria Retreat Center, Montecito, CA, 2006-current; Blue Door Retreat, Santa Fe, NM, 2001-2010; Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center, Citrus Heights, CA, 1997-2000

Spiritual Life Institute, Sacramento, CA, Faculty and Ritualist, Led a weekly, year commitment small community in Lectio Divina with Sunday lectionary, 1997-2000

Deaconate Formation, Diocese of Sacramento, CA, Faculty, Sacramental/Initiatory Theology, Cultural/Ethnic Diversity, Pastoral Counseling, 1998-2000

Conference Committee/Chair, Third Annual Sandplay Intensive, 1999; Fourth National Conference of Sandplay Therapists of America, 1997; On the Masculine, (International psychological conference addressing new aspects of masculine development) 1994

EXPERIENCE

Director of Adult Education/Initiation, Diocese of San Bernardino, CA, 1978-1980; Parishes: St. Peter, Birmingham, AL; St. Francis, Seattle, WA; St. Luke, Seattle, WA; St. Anselm, Madisonville, LA; St. Leander, San Leandro, CA, 1976-1988

Clinical Intern, Center for Special Problems, Forensic Agency, San Francisco County, CA, 1988-1989

Chaplain Intern, San Francisco General Hospital, AIDS Ward, San Francisco, CA, 1988

Straling Leadership Institute, Founding Board Member and Faculty, Diocese of San Bernardino, CA, 1978-1980

ASSOCIATIONS

International Society for Sandplay Therapy, Certified Teaching Member, 1993-Current

Sandplay Therapists of America, Certified Teaching Member, 1993-Current; *Board of Directors*, 1996-1998

Spiritual Directors International, Member, 1994-Current

Northern California Sandplay Society, Founding Member, 1990-2000; *President*, 1995-1997

California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, Clinical Member, 1992-2004

AWARDS/HONORS

One of the Best Spiritual Books for 2010 (*Hidden Power of the Gospels*), *Spirituality and Practice*

2010 Book of the Year in Religion (*Hidden Power of the Gospels*), *New Mexico Book Association*

QUALIFICATIONS

Originator of Quadratos – coined term for the concept of a universal, sequential and ever repeating cycle of four paths comprising the journey of spirit and transformation described by many spiritual traditions, major schools of psychology and great myths across location and era

Internationally recognized presenter: integrating spirituality, spiritual practice, creativity, art and depth psychology

QUALIFICATIONS

Master teacher: scripture, ritual, pilgrimage, spiritual journey, meditation, prayer, creativity, Sandplay and Jungian psychology

Specialist in psycho-mythic bases of liturgy and ritual, including initiatory rites, rites of passage and community transformation

BROADCASTS

New Meaning in the Four Gospels, interview with Bradley George, *Tapestry*, PR/WBHM-FM, July 2010

The Drew Marshall Show, interview with Drew Marshall, Toronto, Canada, 17 July 2010

The Gospels of Jesus: A Map of Transformation, hour interview with Justine Willis Toms, *New Dimensions Radio*, June 2010

GoodNewsBroadcast, on-line interview with Paul Sladkus, 29 April 2010

The Four Gospels as a Path of Healing, interview with Justine Willis Toms, *New Dimensions Café*, May 2010

Weekend Daybreak, interview with Henry Tenenbaum, *KRON-4 TV*, San Francisco, CA, 11 April 2010

God Talk, hour interview with Brent Walters, *ABC/KGO-AM*, San Francisco, CA, 11 April 2010

In the Spirit, interview with Gary Goldberg, *WRPI-FM*, Troy, NY, 31 March 2010

Dr. Alvin Jones Show, interview, *WCBQ-AM / WHNC-AM*, Oxford, NC, 16 March 2010

Beyond the Gospels, Jesus Re-visited, hour interview with Michael Toms, *New Dimensions Radio*, June 2007

Living with Uncertainty, interview with Michael Toms, *New Dimensions Café*, May 2007

As You Think, *The Catholic Channel*, Sirius Satellite Radio, Channel 159, monthly hour-long conversation with host, Fr. Paul Keenan, 2007-2008

BROADCASTS

On The Gospels, *KSMH, AM 1620*, Sacramento, CA, weekly half-hour program, 2000–2002

PODCASTS

Homebrewed Christianity # 78, hour interview with Tripp Fuller, *Homebrewed Christianity*, April 2010

Four Questions, Four Paths, One Journey of Transformation, hour interview with Kelley Howell, *Theatre of the Mind*, July 2007

WEBCASTS

The Hidden Power of the Gospels, hour interview with Deryl Davis, *The Sunday Forum*, National Cathedral, DC, February 2010 (live broadcast, now available online)

Beyond the Biography of Jesus, hour interview with Alan Jones, author and dean emeritus, *The Forum*, Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, CA, March 2008 (available www.foratv.com)

BOOKS

The Hidden Power of the Gospels: Four Questions, Four Paths, One Journey, unabridged audiobook read by Michelle Gaugy & Alexander J. Shaia, www.quadratos.com, 2011

The Hidden Power of the Gospels: Four Questions, Four Paths, One Journey, with Michelle Gaugy (collaborator), HarperOne, San Francisco, CA, 2010

Beyond the Biography of Jesus: The Journey of Quadratos, Book II. Cold Tree Press, Nashville, TN, 2008

Beyond the Biography of Jesus: The Journey of Quadratos, Book I. Cold Tree Press, Nashville, TN, 2006

PUBLICATIONS

The Four-Gospel Journey as Guide for the Spiritual Life, *Now You Know Media*, audio course, August 2010

Sandplay and Spirit. *Presence: The Journal of Spiritual Directors International*, Vol. IX, Number 2, June 2002

PUBLICATIONS

Sandplay's Unitive View. *Journal of Sandplay Therapy*, Vol. X, Number 2, 2001

Jungian Theory for Sandplay Therapists. *Northern California Sandplay Society Newsletter*, Winter 1997

A Change in Season: The Renewed Masculine. *Journal of Sandplay Therapy*, Vol. IV, Number 1, Winter 1994

Beyond Words: Soul Making in the Sand. *Recovering Life*, Vol. V, No.7, Palm Desert, CA, July 1994

Soul Making, Power and the Sand. *Power and Love: Articles from the Fourth Annual Professional Conference for New Directions in Male Psychology*, Spring 1994

You Have Already Volunteered. (Baptismal Spirituality), *Credence Cassettes*, Kansas City, MO, 1992

The Cry of Lent, Make Us One. (Spirituality of the Great 100 Days), *Credence Cassettes*, Kansas City, MO, 1992

The Masculine Arising? *Northern California Sandplay Society Newsletter*, Summer 1992

When Men Are Missing. *Northern California Sandplay Society Newsletter*, Spring 1992

Images in the Sand: The Initial Sandworlds of Men Molested as Children. Dissertation. *California Institute of Integral Studies*, San Francisco, CA, September 1991

Triduum Retreat. *Today's Parish*. January 1988

Breaking Open The Word of God, Cycle B. Contributing author. *Paulist Press*, 1987

Once Upon a Lent. *Christian Initiation Resources, Vol. 1.* Contributing author. *Sadlier Publishers*, 1981

MANUSCRIPTS
(in development)

**Studies in Quadratos: Easter in a New Cosmology
A Hundred Days for Renewed Community.** Traditional rituals and reflection set in a new cosmology for Ash Wednesday to Pentecost includes the spiritual practices for communal healing, renewal and celebration

**Studies in Quadratos: The Journey of Parish and
Community Development**

**Studies in Quadratos: The Spiritual Journey through
Nature's Seasons**

**Studies in Quadratos: Prayers, Rituals & Liturgies for
the 21st Century**

Studies in Quadratos: Preaching the Year of Matthew
(future volumes: Preaching the Year of Mark, Luke and John for Ash Wednesday to Pentecost)

GRADUATE TEACHING

DOCTORAL

Institute of Imaginal Studies, Petaluma, CA
Department of Clinical Psychology
Psychology and Religion, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000

Sandplay Psychotherapy I, 1998, 1999, 2000

Sandplay Psychotherapy II, 1999, 2000

Craft of Psychotherapy III, Counter-transference,
1996

California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA
Department of Clinical Psychology, and Department of
Psychology and Religion
Dissertation Committees, 1997-2000

Pacifica Graduate Institute, Santa Barbara, CA
Department of Clinical Psychology
Dissertation Committee, 2003-2005

GRADUATE TEACHING

MASTER

Southwestern College, Santa Fe, NM
Departments of Counseling Psychology, and Art Therapy

*Sandplay and Sand Tray Psychotherapies,
Beginning Level & Second Level, 2002, 2003,
2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009*

Archetypal Psychology, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005

John F. Kennedy University, Orinda, CA
Department of Graduate Studies in Professional Psychology

*Sandplay and Sand Tray Psychotherapies,
1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000*