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# BEYOND INTERPRETATION

a clinical seminar with

# Patrick Casement

Saturday 5th July  
2008

The MacNeill Theatre,  
Trinity College, Dublin



**internal supervision**

**this thing called love**

**being in touch**

## 10.0am Introduction to the day

### 10.05 This thing called love - in life and in the consulting room

In this paper Patrick Casement will explore some of the origins of love and the search for love. He will give a clinical example to illustrate the search for the lost good object and also offer an example of that different kind of caring, which can bear being hated. He will also give examples of patients who have brought their sexual problems into the therapy and explore how to manage this therapeutically.

### 11.15 Coffee

### 11.45 Internal supervision in process

Patrick's own clinical thinking has often been greatly helped by the process he has come to call "internal supervision." To illustrate this he will present a detailed account of a single session from his own work. In this he will be including much of his own (silent) thinking in the session alongside the record of what was said by the patient and his responses.

### 13.0 Lunch

### 14.0 Beyond interpretation: being in touch

In this paper Patrick will describe an analysis in which the patient came to feel that what had been most important to him in the analytic process had grown out of Patrick becoming able to be deeply in touch with the patient's childhood experience of isolation, which he felt no-one had recognised. He also needed Patrick to understand what he was consciously trying to communicate, which no-one before had seemed able to grasp. Much of what this patient most valued therefore lay beyond the normal practice of interpreting what may lie in the unconscious mind. In other words, here, Patrick needed to go beyond interpretation. It was more a matter of being in touch.

### 15.15 Discussion

### 16.0 End of seminar

# Patrick Casement

Patrick Casement obtained his degree at Cambridge University, in anthropology and theology. He then trained to become a social worker, subsequently training as an analytical psychotherapist and then as a psychoanalyst. Until he retired he was a training and supervising analyst of the British Psychoanalytical Society. His first book *On Learning from the Patient*, published in 1985, became an international best seller in the field of psychoanalysis, now published in over twenty languages. A later book, *Learning from Our Mistakes* (2002), was awarded a Grady Award in America for its contribution to psychoanalysis. His last book *Learning from Life: becoming a psychoanalyst* (2006) is partly autobiographical - an unusual step for an analyst but one he felt able to take since retiring.



## Information

- Date:** Saturday 5 July 2008
- Venue:** The MacNeill Theatre, Hamilton Building, Westland Row, off Pearse Street, Dublin.
- Time:** 10.0am - 16.0 (registration from 9.45am)
- Refreshments:**  
Vegetarian lunch and drinks are included
- CPD:** 3.5 hours of tuition

### Fee (including VAT):

- Self-funded: ..... 90 Euros  
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**Recommended Reading:** *On Learning from the Patient* (1985, 1991, 1992), *Further Learning from the Patient: The Analytic Space and Process* (1990), *Learning from Our Mistakes: Psychoanalysis and Beyond with Eric Rayner* (2002), *Learning From Life* (2006).



