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First Fridays, a Mini Series for Child Therapists, sponsored by the Northwest Alliance for Psychoanalytic Study

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Understanding Symbolic Work in Child Therapy

with Janet Tatum, M.S.W, LICSW, Jungian Analyst, Certified Sandplay Therapist – Teaching Member, Philemon Foundation Board of Directors

Our first Friday's talk will consider understanding children's therapeutic play from a symbolic viewpoint. We will start with the World Technique, the pioneering work of London's Margaret Lowenfeld. Later, Switzerland's Dora Kalff added a more Jungian orientation to this work, which she called Sandplay.

To understand children's therapeutic work, the therapist must attempt to relate each child's sandtray scene to the child's unique life situation, as well as to past circumstances. In this way, the child's inner and outer world become connected and begin to make sense. The talk will be illustrated with images of children's sandtrays.

Learning Objectives:

To learn about Margaret Lowenfeld's World Technique and the use of the sandtray.

To become familiar with Dora Kalff, who created Sandplay Therapy and began to use a Jungian perspective in her therapeutic work with children.

To examine how Jungian ideas can enhance the understanding of children's symbolic work in therapy by using case examples.

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This seminar offers to 2 CE with NASW as well as 2 seminar hours for Sandplay Therapists of America (STA).