

# The Rockland County Chapter of The New York State Society for Clinical Social Work

*INVITES YOU TO A PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION*

**Shame and Self-Alienation: A Trauma-Informed Psychoanalytic Perspective  
by Daniel Shaw, LCSW-R**

**Sunday, February 26, 2023**

**in the Private Dining Hall at McNelis Commons  
St. Thomas Aquinas College (Sparkill, NY)**

## **Description:**

The concept of self-alienation, especially as elaborated by Janina Fisher, is inextricably linked to shame. Working with adult children of traumatizing narcissists, and with others who experience narcissistic abuse, Shaw's way of working with these clients shifted as he began to study and integrate concepts and techniques from some of the contemporary traumatologists. What he has learned has led Shaw to place problems with self-alienation, a condition largely governed by shame, at the center of the therapeutic endeavor. Shaw will give clinical examples of his work with clients struggling with self-alienation that demonstrate his way of integrating trauma theories and a relational psychoanalytic perspective.



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*Psychoanalysis*, and *Psychoanalytic Dialogues*, and most recently, his book, *Traumatic Narcissism: Relational Systems of Subjugation*, was published by Routledge for the Relational Perspectives Series and nominated for the distinguished Gradiva Award. It is also available in Audiobook format. His second book, *Traumatic Narcissism and Recovery: Leaving the Prison of Shame and Fear* was published in 2021. In 2018, Dan received the Margaret Thaler Singer Award for his work on advancing the understanding of coercive persuasion and undue influence.

**SCHEDULE:**

**1:00 pm    Presentation**

**2:00 pm    Question and Answers**

**2:30 pm    Clinical Case Discussion**

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