



TICP Wednesday Scientific Meeting

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7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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Being Bad Enough: Women Negotiating Patriarchy in Iran

SYNOPSIS

The life of women in Iran is much more complicated and multilayered than what is presented in Western media. As anywhere else, women are a heterogeneous group, with all kinds of intersectionalities. In oppressive, patriarchal Iranian society, women are expected to be Good, and submissive. But what does it mean to be a Good Woman? And what is the alternative for a woman who refuses to be Good? In this talk I will propose the notion of “being bad enough” as a compromise formation between a woman and the forces of patriarchy. I will explore the social, familial and clinical dimensions of this kind of adjustment. I will also discuss the distinction between repressed sexuality and what I propose here as “owned sexuality” by society. While my talk is focused on women in Iran, the struggle between women and patriarchy may necessitate this kind of psychological adjustment in many societies around the world.



ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Dr. NAHALEH MOSHTAGH is a Psychoanalyst and Clinical Psychologist, originally from Tehran, Iran. She is one of the founding members and the Director of HamAva Institute for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy in Tehran. She is a graduate of Chicago Psychoanalytic Institute and Iran University of Medical Sciences. She is also a graduate of the Creative Writing Certificate Program at Humber College, Toronto. Dr. Moshtagh is an Associate Member of the Psychoanalytic Society of the William Alanson White Institute. She was the Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Psychoanalytic Discourse*, and is a reviewer for the International Journal of Psychoanalysis. She is the translator and Farsi editor of Sandler, Dare and Holder’s *The Patient and The Analyst*, of Adam Phillips’s *Winnicott* and of Darian Leader’s *What is Madness?* She has published papers in *JAPA*, *Psychoanalytic Review*, *Modern Psychoanalysis*, *International Forum of Psychoanalysis* and *Psychoanalytic Discourse*. Dr. Moshtagh has been practicing in Tehran, Iran for the last twenty years, and having recently immigrated to Toronto, she is now building her psychoanalytic and psychotherapy practice here.

REGISTRATION & ADVANCE READINGS

Free to all TSCP members. To check your membership status, please contact the administration office. Non-TSCP members may attend for a fee of \$25; contact info@ticip.on.ca for registration.

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Advance reading will be provided to registrants approximately two weeks prior to the event.

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