



Supporting psychological approaches to enhancing Jewish identity and defeating antisemitism

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Please join us for these AJP presentations at the 2026 APA Convention.

In-person presentations:

Date & Time: Thursday, August 6, 2026 @ 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Presentation Title: *Antisemitism Within Clinical Communities: Impact on Clinicians and Clients, presented by AJP Board Member, Abigail Weissman, Psy.D.*

36 - Society for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality

Location: Room 145B, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Street Level, Critical Conversation

Description: Antisemitism is rampant. While we see it in the burning of synagogues (most recently in Mississippi), we clinicians see it in the "Chicago list," the supposed list of anti-Zionist clinicians in Chicago that other therapists should boycott. This presentation will give examples of antisemitism and what to do about it.

Learning Objectives: Based on the content of the session, participants will be able to name 3 times antisemitism has been present in clinician communities. Based on the content of the session, participants will

walk away with 4 ways to combat antisemitism, in the community and the session room.

Date & Time: Friday, August 7, 2026 @ 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Presentation Title: *Advances in Research and Practice Regarding Positive Masculinities Symposium Panel, presented by AJP Member, Mark Kiselica, Ph.D.*

Location: Convention Center, Street Level, 145B

Panelists: Mark Kiselica (Chair), Brian Kane, Daniel Bates, Fay Giannakou, and Matt Englar-Carlson

Date & Time: Friday, August 7, 2026 @ 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Presentation Title: *Cross-cultural storytelling: Impact on community collaboration and healing, presented by AJP Executive Committee Member, Esti/Ester Cole, Ph.D. and AJP Member, Chuck Hollister, Ph.D.*

43 - Society for Couple and Family Psychology

Location: Room 207A, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Level Two

CE Session - 1 credit

Description: Storytelling, a cornerstone of human connection, enables us to communicate, share experiences, deepen understanding, and foster empathy and cultural appreciation. Using examples from multicultural Canadian life that include Indigenous, immigrant, and refugee experiences, this skill-building session explores how culturally diverse storytelling narratives can strengthen resilience, enhance communication, and foster healing.

Learning Objectives: Learn five elements of storytelling that enable connection, empathy, and cultural appreciation.

Date & Time: Saturday, August 8, 2026 @ 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Presentation Title: *Humanistic Mentoring: Mindful Guidance With Compassion & Discernment, presented by AJP Member, Karyne B. Wilner, Psy.D.*

32 - Society for Humanistic Psychology

Location: 102B, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Street Level
Symposium

CE Session - 1 credit

Description: This symposium defines mentoring as a process in which a more experienced person guides and encourages a less experienced person from a place of generosity and kindness. Using personal experiences, the panelists distinguish mentoring from other professional roles, examine pitfalls, and describe key elements necessary for an effective mentoring relationship.

Panelists: Mentorship with Integrity: Discernment, Authenticity, and Ethical Practice, Debbie Joffe Ellis

Mentorship in Humanistic Psychology: Experiences and Reflections

Stanley C. Krippner, PhD, Professor, California Institute of Integral Studies

Date & Time: Saturday, August 8, 2026 @ 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Presentation Title: *What People Really Lose When They Leave High-Cost Religions, presented by AJP Member, Yehudis Keller, M.A.*

43 - Society for Couple and Family Psychology

Location: Room 209AB

CE Symposium (1 credit) with three presentations

Co-authors: Daryl Van Tongeren, Julie Exline, Sam Hardy, Bridger Lisonbee

Note: The study includes four samples of religious exiters, including one sample of exiters from ultra-Orthodox (Haredi) Judaism.

Poster presentations

Date & Time: Thursday, August 6, 2026 @ 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Division 44 Poster Session I

Presentation Title: *The Shadow of Crisis: LGBTQ+ Jewish Belonging and Identity Post-October 7th, by AJP Student Member, Sophia Shuster and AJP Member, Abbie Goldberg, Ph.D.*

Date & Time: Thursday, August 6, 2026 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Presentation title: *Examining the Five Facets of Mindfulness through Orthodox Jewish Practice, presented by AJP Member, Joshua Dredze, Psy.D.*

Division 36 Poster Session I Print

Location: Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters - Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Level Two

Co-authors: Joshua Dredze, NYC Health + Hospitals/Jacobi Medical Center

Date & Time: Thursday, August 6, 2026 @ 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Presentation Title: *The Relationship between Father Hunger and Anxiety, Depression, and Stress, presented by AJP Member, Mark Kiselica, Ph.D.*

Location: Poster Hall D, Solutions Center, Convention Center, Level 2

Co-presenters: Deekaanj Hinduja and Mark Kiselica

Date & Time: Thursday, August 6, 2026 @ 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Presentation title: *The Impact of Father Hunger on Self-Concept Clarity, presented by AJP Member, Mark Kiselica, Ph.D.*

Location: Poster Hall D, Solutions Center, Convention Center, Level 2

Co-presenters: Fai Albawardi and Mark Kiselica

Date & Time: Friday, August 7, 2026 @ 1:00 PM

Division 27 Poster Session I

Presentation title: *Tribal Health Connection: A Community-Engaged Toolkit for Sovereignty, Systems, and Shared Data, by AJP Member, Peter S. Bachrach, Ph.D.*

Location: Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Level Two - Hall D, Solutions Center, Posters

Co-authors: Krista L. (Locke) Morris, MPH, Nilhari Neupane, PhD, & Terence Lo, BA

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Virtual poster presentations

Date & Time: Saturday, August 8, 2026, @ 10:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Presentation title: *Openness, Intergroup Contact, and Antisemitic Attitudes, by AJP Student Member, Talia Morstead and Anita DeLongis, Ph.D.*

Location: Division 9 Virtual Poster Session

2026 Award Recipient

**AJP Member, Les R. Greene, Ph.D., Past President, American Group
Psychotherapy Association, Clinical Faculty, Yale University
Department of Psychiatry**

**2026 Distinguished Psychologist Award for Contributions to
Psychology and Psychotherapy, presented by the Society for the
Advancement of Psychotherapy (APA Division 29)**

With warm regards,

AJP Board



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