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## Consciousness and the Perils of Polarization



**Richard J. Sweeney, Ph.D.** September 28, 2019 from 9 am to 12:30 pm

Late in life C.G. Jung expressed his belief that the sole purpose of human existence is "to create more and more consciousness" so as "to kindle a light in the darkness of mere being." In this program we will examine the nature and importance of consciousness, particularly in today's world. To this end, we will consider the development and degrees of consciousness and explore frequent obstacles to consciousness, including narcissistic tendencies. We will probe Jung's view that all psychological symptoms and neuroses derive from conflict or polarization within the psyche. This will lead to a reflection upon social consciousness and the problem of polarization within the collective psyche today. Our aim will be to suggest how the development of consciousness is both a personal and a societal enterprise. The presentation will combine lecture with the use of case examples, dream material, recent research and some interaction with participants.

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## REGISTRATION

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