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of Group Psychotherapists*

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CREATING THE MATRIX

Introducing and Exploring the group matrix for those thinking about and doing group work.

Conference Open Day Program

When: 8th March 2025 - Saturday

Venue: SH Ervin Gallery, 2 Watson Rd, Millers Point NSW

(Observatory Hill at the south-western end of Harbour Bridge – enter via Argyle Street – free parking onsite)

Format: In person (only)

8.45am for 9.00am Registration, Acknowledgement of country & introduction

9.15am to 10.30am Mapping the Matrix: Conjoint papers by **Antony Gleeson** and **Vera Auerbach**. Antony will introduce **the concept of the Group Matrix**. Vera will follow up with an **Introduction to the Matrix** using a grid (MRG) developed by Goran Ahlin, a Group Analyst, a tool to assist with understanding and working with the dynamic forces of the group, as well as research into group dynamics.

10.30am to 11.00am Morning Tea

11.00am to 12.00pm Managing the Matrix: Boundaries and Ethics dilemmas in Group work Chris Fairall and **Tim Johnson-Newell** will lead a discussion based on case studies provided. There are always guidelines, suggestions and rules but this discussion hopes to draw out the many factors at play in each situation and the complex and interesting possibilities available.

12.00pm to 1.00pm Lunch

1.00pm to 2.30pm Being in the Matrix 1: A Group Analytic Experience conducted by **Anel Grobler** and **Margot Solomon**. This is an experiential group involving all participants and presenters.

2.30pm to 3.00pm Afternoon tea

3.00pm to 4.30pm Being in the Matrix 2: A Group Analytic Experience conducted by **Anel Grobler** and **Margot Solomon**. This is an experiential group involving all participants and presenters.

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Fees: Waged \$250 (includes lunch and refreshments)

(Early Bird Discount \$200 (by 31/01/2025))

Should fees be prohibitive please contact us

Members/Associate Members: \$150

Students/Unwaged: \$50 to cover costs of venue & catering

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/CXKEP>

Hotel Group Discount – contact organisers