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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your support of Survivorship. Survivorship has decided on the date of its next online conference.

**The Survivorship Ritual Abuse and Mind Control 2023 Online Conference**

Survivor Conference - Saturday and Sunday May 20 - 21, 2023

Clinician's Conference - Friday May 19, 2023

Both conferences will be online.

<https://survivorship.org/the-survivorship-ritual-abuse-and-mind-control-2023-online-conference/>

Our focus will be on New Zealand and Australia. If you are from this part of the world or know someone that may be interested in speaking at the conference from this part of the world, please write us at info@survivorship.org

**Survivorship Webinar 2022: Healing the Unimaginable: A Ten-Session Course** with Alison Miller <https://survivorship.org/survivorship-webinar-2022-healing-the-unimaginable-a-ten-session-course/> has been very popular. This webinar is for clinicians.

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**Survivorship Webinar 2022:**

**Healing the Unimaginable: A Ten-Session Course in Treating Survivors of Organized and Extreme Abuse -**Alison Miller, Ph.D., Retired Psychologist <https://survivorship.org/survivorship-webinar-2022-healing-the-unimaginable-a-ten-session-course/>

**Alison Miller, Ph.D.** is a retired clinical psychologist who practised in Victoria, B.C., Canada and worked with survivors of organized abuse, including ritual abuse and mind control from 1990 to 2017. She has twice chaired the RAMCOA (ritual abuse/mind control/organized abuse) special interest group of the International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation. She is the author of Healing the Unimaginable: Treating Ritual Abuse and Mind Control (for therapists), Becoming Yourself: Overcoming Mind Control and Ritual Abuse (for survivors), and co-author with survivor Wendy Hoffman of From the Trenches: A Victim and Therapist Talk about Mind Control and Ritual Abuse. She has published several other book chapters and articles, as well as being the originator of the LIFE Seminars parent education programs. The course was only open to licensed professionals in the mental health field.

This course is based on Dr. Miller’s 2012 book *Healing the Unimaginable: Treating Ritual Abuse and Mind Control.* It incorporates other material from Dr. Miller’s more recent publications and those of others. Video recordings and PowerPoints of the sessions are available at <https://survivorship.org/survivorship-webinar-2022-healing-the-unimaginable-a-ten-session-course/>

The ten sessions are:

1. Understanding dissociative disorders and organized abuse - Thursday Feb 17th, 2022

2. The therapeutic relationship - Thursday March 10th, 2022

3. Engineered personality systems resulting from organized abuse - Thurs April 7th, 2022

4. Internal parts and their assigned functions - Thursday May 5th, 2022

5. Stabilization (internal safety) - Thursday June 2nd, 2022

6. Working with internal leaders - Thursday July 7th, 2022

7. Present-day physical safety - Thursday August 4th, 2022

8. Working through the traumatic memories - Thursday September 8th, 2022

9. Confronting the spiritual issues - Thursday October 13th, 2022

10. Healing the unimaginable - Thursday November 10, 2022

**Ritual Abuse Evidence**

**Child Abuse Wiki - Ritual Abuse**

<http://childabusewiki.org/index.php?title=Ritual_Abuse>

Ritual abuse exists all over the world. There have been reports, journal articles, web pages and criminal convictions of crimes against children and adults.

**Proof That Ritual Abuse Exists** <http://ritualabuse.us/ritualabuse/>

**Empirical and Forensic Evidence of Ritual Abuse**

by James Randall Noblitt and Pamela Perskin Noblitt (2014)

<http://endritualabuse.org/empirical-and-forensic-evidence-of-ritual-abuse/>

**Large List of Ritual Abuse and Satanic Ritual Abuse References**

<http://ritualabuse.us/ritualabuse/studies/satanic-ritual-abuse-evidence-with-information-on-the-mcmartin-preschool-case/>

**Child Abuse Wiki – Recovered Memories**

<http://childabusewiki.org/index.php?title=Recovered_Memories>

There is very strong scientific evidence that recovered memories exist. This has been shown in many scientific studies. The content of recovered memories have fairly high corroboration rates.

**The Dark Tunnels of McMartin – Dr. Roland C. Summit** <http://ritualabuse.us/ritualabuse/articles/the-dark-tunnels-of-mcmartin-dr-roland-c-summit-journal-of-psychohistory/>

**The McMartin Preschool Case – What Really Happened and the Cover-up**

<http://ritualabuse.us/ritualabuse/articles/mcmartin-preschool-case-what-really-happened-and-the-coverup/>

**Denying Ritual Abuse of Children** – Catherine Gould The Journal of Psychohistory 22 (3) 1995 <http://ritualabuse.us/ritualabuse/articles/denying-ritual-abuse-of-children-catherine-gould/>

**Believe the children** (1997). “Conviction List: Ritual Child Abuse”. <http://ra-info.org/faqs/ra-convictions/>

**2008 Publications on Ritual Abuse and Mind Control**

<http://endritualabuse.org/publications-on-ritual-abuse-and-mind-control-in-2008/>

**Lacter, E (2008-02-11). “Brief Synopsis of the Literature on the Existence of Ritualistic Abuse”.** <http://endritualabuse.org/brief-synopsis-of-the-literature-on-the-existence-of-ritualistic-abuse/>

**Bottoms, Shaver and Goodman in their 1993 study to evaluate ritual abuse claims** found that in 2,292 alleged ritual abuse cases,15% of the perpetrators in adult cases and 30% of the perpetrators in child cases confessed to the abuse. Data from Brown, Scheflin and Hammond (1998). Memory, Trauma Treatment, And the Law (W. W. Norton) ISBN 0-393-70254-5 (p.62) Bottoms, B. Shaver, P. & Goodman, G. (1993) Profile of ritual abuse and religion related abuse allegations in the United States. Updated findings provided via personal communication from B. Bottoms. Cited in K.C. Faller (1994), Ritual Abuse; A Review of the research. The American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children Advisor , 7, 1, 19-27 <https://ritualabuse.us/ritualabuse/>

**On Page 170 (first edition), of Cult and Ritual Abuse** – Noblitt and Perskin (Praeger, 1995) states “One of the best sources of evaluative research on ritual abuse is the article “Ritual Abuse: A Review of Research” by Kathleen Coulborn Faller (1994)….in a survey of 2,709 members of the American Psychological Association, it was found that 30 percent of these professionals had seen cases of ritual or religion-related abuse (Bottoms, Shaver & Goodman, 1991). Of those psychologists who have seen cases of ritual abuse, 93 percent believed that the reported harm took place and 93 percent believed that the alleged ritualism occurred. This is a remarkable finding. Mental health professionals are known to be divergent in their thinking and frequently do not agree with one another regarding questions of the diagnosis and etiology of psychiatric problems…this level of concurrence in a large national sample of psychologists…would be impressive….the similar research of Nancy Perry (1992) which further supports (the previous findings)…Perry also conducted a national survey of therapists who work with clients with dissociative disorders and she found that 88 percent of the 1,185 respondents indicated”belief in ritual abuse, involving mind control and programming” (p.3).”

Craighead, W. E.; Corsini, R.J.; Nemeroff, C. B. (2002) The Corsini Encyclopedia of Psychology and Behavioral Science Published by John Wiley and Sons ISBN 0471270830 – **Sadistic Ritual Abuse** (p.1435 – 1438) <http://books.google.com/books?id=JQMRmyOfpJ8C&pg=PA1436&lpg=PA1436#v=onepage&q=sadistic%20ritual&f=false>

**Sexual Abuse in Day Care: A National Study –** Executive Summary – March 1988 – Finklehor, Williams, Burns, Kalinowski “The study identified 270 “cases” of sexual abuse in day care meaning 270 facilities where substantiated abuse had occurred involving a total of 1639 victimized children….This yielded an estimate of 500 to 550 reported and substantiated cases and 2500 victims for the three-year period. Although this is a large number, it must be put in the context of 229,000 day care facilities nationwide service seven million children….allegations of ritual abuse (“the invocation of religious, magical or supernatural symbols of activities”) occurred in 13% of the cases.” The authors divided these cases into “true cult-based ritual,” pseudo-ritualism” with a primary goal of sexual gratification and ritual being used to intimidate the children from disclosing and “psychopathological ritualism” the activities being “primarily the expression of an individual’s obsessional or delusional system.” <https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/Digitization/113095NCJRS.pdf>

**ON-GOING MEETINGS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Survivorship is presenting this as information only. If you choose to use one of these resources, please note that you are doing this at your own risk.**

**Dissociation & Trauma Clinical Discussions (DissTCD) list** The Dissociation & Trauma Clinical Discussions (DissTCD) list has been created to allow for clinical discussions for all licensed mental health counselors and retired licensed mental health counselors around the world. To join: disstcd+subscribe@groups.io

**ASCA (Adult Survivors of Child Abuse)** On-going info@ascasupport.org [www.ascasupport.org](http://www.ascasupport.org)

**Survivors of Incest Anonymous** SIA holds 12-step meetings for incest survivors. Those designated “Nothing Too Heavy to Share” meetings are designed for ritual abuse survivors. 410-282-3400 <http://www.siawso.org>

Women’s Center, 46 Pleasant Street, Cambridge, MA Weekly and monthly groups for survivors of child sexual abuse, incest survivor’s interfaith quilt project, Survivors of Incest Anonymous, eating disorder support group, emotional healing group, more. info@cambridgewomenscenter.org Phone: 617-354-6394 Helpline. 617-354-8807 <http://www.cambridgewomenscenter.org>

**The Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline** 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)

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\* Bay Area Women Against Rape (BAWAR): 510-845-7273

\* San Francisco Women Against Rape (SFWAR): 415-647-7273

\* Women’s Center, Cambridge, MA: 617-354-8807

**Difficult Dates**

**Please use caution when reading this page.** This page has words and dates that may remind survivors of their programming. This page summarizes dates that may be used by cults and various destructive groups. Abusive groups steal, pervert, and mock the holidays of legitimate religions, holidays, and cultures. This does not mean that all or even most people who observe some of these holidays are abusive.

**November**

11/1 All Saints' Day

11/1 Satanist High Holy Day

11/1-11/6 The Isia: six day ritual drama search for pieces of Osiris/feast of the Netherworld parting of the astral veil/resurrection of Osiris

11/2 All Souls’ Day (in honor of the dead) Santeria El Dia De Los Muertos

11/4 Kali Puja

11/4 Diwali: Hindu: Festival of Lights: The end of Lord Rama’s exile killing of a demon by Krishna’s wife

11/4 Satanic Revels (sexual)

11/5 Guy Fawkes’ Day (UK)

11/7 Hilaria/Mania (Open of Mundus Cereris) rebirth of Osiris

11/8 Full Moon

11/9 Kristallnacht

11/11 Veteran’s Day (Armistice 1918)

11/11 Remembrance Day (Canada)

11/19 Guru Nanak Birthday

11/21 Christ the King

11/24 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib

11/24 Thanksgiving (USA)

11/25 New Moon

11/28 – 12/6 Hanukkah

11/28 - 12/24 Advent

11/30 St. Andrew’s Day

**December**

12/6 St. Nicholas’ Day

12/7 Full Moon

12/8 Bodhi Day

12/17-12/22 Saturnalia

12/18 Full Moon

12/18 St. Winebald’s Day (blood)

12/21 St. Thomas Day - Fire Festival, feast day, orgies

12/21 Yule/Winter Solstice

12/22 Guru Gobind Singh Birthday

12/22 Ritual of the Elements and Feast of the Times

12/23 New Moon

12/24 Christmas Eve/ Satanic Demons Revels/Da Meur/Grand High Climax rituals 5/include receiving body parts as Christmas gifts

12/25 Christmas Day

12/26 Boxing Day (UK, Canada, Australia, New Zealand)

12/26 St. Stephen’s Day

12/28 Day of the Holy Innocents

12/31 Watch Night

12/31 New Year’s Eve/Hogmanay

**Books and Articles**

(Please note, some of these articles may contain violence or triggering information)

**Separating Fact from Fiction: An Empirical Examination of Six Myths About Dissociative Identity Disorder** Bethany L. Brand, PhD, Vedat Sar, MD, Pam Stavropoulos, PhD, Christa Krüger, MB BCh, MMed (Psych), MD, Marilyn Korzekwa, MD, Alfonso Martínez-Taboas, PhD, and Warwick Middleton, MB BS, FRANZCP, MD  -  Harv Rev Psychiatry. 2016 Jul; 24(4): 257–270.  Published online 2016 Jul 8. doi: 10.1097/HRP.0000000000000100  PMCID: PMC4959824   PMID: 27384396

Abstract:  Dissociative identity disorder (DID) is a complex, posttraumatic, developmental disorder for which we now, after four decades of research, have an authoritative research base, but a number of misconceptualizations and myths about the disorder remain, compromising both patient care and research. This article examines the empirical literature pertaining to recurrently expressed beliefs regarding DID: (1) belief that DID is a fad, (2) belief that DID is primarily diagnosed in North America by DID experts who overdiagnose the disorder, (3) belief that DID is rare, (4) belief that DID is an iatrogenic, rather than trauma-based, disorder, (5) belief that DID is the same entity as borderline personality disorder, and (6) belief that DID treatment is harmful to patients. The absence of research to substantiate these beliefs, as well as the existence of a body of research that refutes them, confirms their mythical status. Clinicians who accept these myths as facts are unlikely to carefully assess for dissociation. Accurate diagnoses are critical for appropriate treatment planning.  "DID is a legitimate and distinct psychiatric disorder that is recognizable worldwide and can be reliably identified in multiple settings by appropriately trained researchers and clinicians. The research shows that DID is a trauma-based disorder that generally responds well to treatment consistent with DID treatment guidelines."  https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4959824/

**Evidence that Dissociative Identity Disorder (Multiple Personality Disorder or MPD) is caused by Childhood Trauma**

Conclusive evidence that Dissociative Identity Disorder (formerly called Multiple Personality Disorder or MPD) is caused by extensive childhood trauma and not iatrogenically (resulting from the activity of physicians) or socially. Individual identities have been shown to have clear physiological differences.

https://ritualabuse.us/research/did/evidence-that-dissociative-identity-disorder-multiple-personality-disorder-or-mpd-is-caused-by-childhood-trauma/

**False Memories – The Deception That Silenced Millions**

Lynn Crook's long-awaited book is now available on Amazon!

Lynn Crook offers a behind-the-scenes look at how accused child molesters with a budget in the millions convinced the public that adults' accusations are false memories. Survivors, therapists, attorneys, and journalists will find this book instructive. Won Lawsuit Against Perpetrators http://lynncrook.com/index.html

**Satanic forums visited by a killer uncovered** The BBC has uncovered new evidence about the teenage killer of Bibaa Henry and Nicole Smallman, the two sisters murdered last summer in a Wembley park in London. Danyal Hussein was a member of a web forum, run by an American self-styled black magician, whose instructions about demonic pacts mirror steps taken by the killer. The American has encouraged murder in some of his writings, including for a violent Satanic group that’s been cited as an influence on seven young men convicted of neo-Nazi terror offences in the UK over the past two years. https://www.bbc.com/news/av/uk-58191473

**London teenager who murdered sisters influenced by satanic beliefs** - BBC News - Teenager Danyal Hussein murdered two sisters in a London park last year - seemingly influenced to do so by a satanic web forum that contained instructions about demonic pacts that mirror his crime. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LmhNfUqVX9s

**Arch Med Sadowej Kryminol . 2006 Oct-Dec;56(4):271-3. [Double ritual murder by the Satanist cult members based on the casuistry of the Forensic Medicine Department in Katowice]** Abstract In recent years, an increased activity of various sects, especially Satanist ones, has been observed in Poland. This is associated with an increase in the number of various crimes, including offences against life and health. The ideology of Satanism came to Poland in the early eighties of the last century, along with heavy metal music and its variants. In 1999, two cases of the murders of a 21-year-old woman and a 19-year-old man committed by Satanist cult members during their ritual mass were reported at the Forensic Medicine Department in Katowice. In the report, the authors present some issues associated with Satanism, the circumstances of these two murders and the results of medico-legal examinations of the victims. https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/17249377/

**Iowa Man Charged In Decapitated Woman's Murder After 'Satanic' Goat Drawing Implicates Him** - On Friday, police executing a search warrant at Gilmore’s home allegedly found a whiteboard drawing of a “Satanic" goat's head in the shape of a pentagram, according to case documents https://www.yahoo.com/video/iowa-man-charged-decapitated-womans-212553888.html

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