



**The Louisiana Association for Play  
Therapy Presents...**

# The Many Faces of Play Therapy

February 8-9, 2019

Loyola University | New Orleans

**Keynote Speaker:**

## **Liana Lowenstein**

**Innovative Play Therapy Techniques for Working with Hard-To-Engage Clients**

**&**

**Creative Play Therapy Interventions for Children and Families Coping with Loss**



## About Play Therapy

Initially developed at the turn of the 20th century, today play therapy refers to a large number of treatment methods, all applying the therapeutic benefits of play. Play therapy differs from regular play in that the therapist uses a structured, theoretically based approach to help children address and resolve their own problems. Through play therapy, children are able to express feelings, modify behavior, and develop problem-solving skills.



## Join the Association for Play Therapy

The Association for Play Therapy (APT) is a national professional society formed in 1982 to foster contact among psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, counselors, marriage and family therapists, and other mental health professionals interested in applying the therapeutic powers of play to communicate with and treat clients, particularly children. Members receive the quarterly Play Therapy magazine, the bi-annual Journal of Play Therapy, and also receive reduced rates at the annual national conference.

## Become a Registered Play Therapist

Learn more about the APT play therapy community at [www.a4pt.org](http://www.a4pt.org). APT confers its Registered Play Therapist™ (RPT) and Registered Play Therapist- Supervisor™ (RPT-S) credentials to help consumers identify those licensed mental health professionals with specialized training and experience in play therapy.

Requirements for the RPT credential include:

- 1) a traditional mental health graduate or higher degree by a regionally accredited college or university;
- 2) licensure by one or more applicable licensing authorities;
- 3) completion of a minimum number of play therapy training and supervision clock hours; and
- 4) completion of the requisite continuing education hours. Learn more at [www.a4pt.org](http://www.a4pt.org).

## Play Therapy Training in Louisiana

The Louisiana Association for Play Therapy is an active and growing organization. Join us in New Orleans for our annual conference on February 8-9, 2019. We will be offering two days of workshops and 12 CEUs /Credit Hours that can be applied toward the requirements for certification as a Registered Play Therapist (as well as for LCSW, LPC, and Psychologists).

## 2019 Membership Drive

New and renewing Professional LAPT Members are eligible to win prizes in our Annual Membership Drawing to be held on February 9th at our annual conference. Prizes include a \$300 scholarship for the 2019 APT Annual Conference on **October 1-6, 2019** in Dallas, TX and other exciting training opportunities. For more details visit the LAPT website at [www.la4pt.org](http://www.la4pt.org).

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## Conference Overview

### Friday, February 8th

8:30-9:00: REGISTRATION

9:00-12:15: Workshop

12:15-1:15: LUNCH (Provided)  
Annual Meeting  
during Lunch

1:15-4:30: Workshop

### Saturday, February 9th

8:30-9:00: REGISTRATION

9:00-12: Workshop

12:15-1:15: LUNCH (Provided)  
& Poster Sessions

1:15-4:30: Workshop

4:45-5:30: Social Shop



## CREDIT

**Licensed Clinical Social Workers:** 6.0 hours per day

(Application submitted to NASW, LA Chapter. CEUs may be applied toward the continuing education requirements for licensure renewal).

**Licensed Professional Counselors:** 6.0 hours of credit per day

(This event is co-sponsored by Loyola University, an NBCC ACEP Provider, #4281, to provide 6.0 hours of credit per day to NBCC's and LPC's).

**Registered Play Therapists:** 6.0 hours per day (APT Provider #99-070)

**Psychologists:** 6.0 hours per day. All acceptable sponsors of CEUs for psychologists can be found in the Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 46, Chapter 8. Continuing Education.

**Conference registration or fees:** Amanda Chapoton—ahchapoton@romanopsych.com

**CEUs & Credit Hours:** Nicole Bartlett - nicolebartlett@att.net

**Loyola campus, lodging:** Wendy Durant - Wendyqdurant@gmail.com

**Application to exhibit:** Wendy Durant - Wendyqdurant@gmail.com

**Other conference information:** Laura Fazio-Griffith - laura.fazio-griffith@selu.edu

Friday February 8, 2018

# Innovative Play Therapy Techniques for Working with Hard-To-Engage Clients

by

**Liana Lowenstein**

Working with difficult to engage clients can be frustrating and challenging, even for seasoned clinicians. The challenge of working with younger clients in therapy can be further compounded by their fear of entering therapy, their lack of control over the decision to attend therapy, their feeling of being scapegoated for family problems, their lack of motivation for treatment, and their developmental capacity which can make it difficult for them to respond to traditional talk-therapy.

The first step in working with hard to engage clients is understanding the reasons underlying what has been called "resistance." The second step involves engaging clients in the therapeutic process. The presenter will outline the factors that underlie resistance and will present creative play therapy interventions to engage children, adolescents, and parents.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- Describe the factors underlying therapeutic resistance.
- Implement creative play therapy interventions to facilitate rapport-building with children of all ages.
- Implement play therapy techniques with clients who are reluctant to verbally articulate their thoughts and feelings.
- Utilize play therapy activities for child-focused family therapy sessions.

## **About the Presenter**

Liana Lowenstein is a Registered Clinical Social Worker, Certified Play Therapist-Supervisor, and Certified TF-CBT Therapist who has been working with children and their families since 1988. She presents trainings across North America and abroad. Recent speaking engagements include South Africa, Israel, England, Australia, and China. She provides clinical supervision to mental health practitioners, runs a play-therapy internship program, and consults to several mental health agencies. Liana's 12 books on child and family therapy are known internationally for their innovative and practical techniques. She is winner of the Monica Herbert award for outstanding contribution to play therapy in Canada.

Saturday February 9, 2018

# Creative Play Therapy Interventions for Children and Families Coping with Loss

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When children enter therapy because they have experienced a significant loss, they are at a very vulnerable time in their lives. They are often anxious about the therapeutic process and reluctant to talk directly about painful feelings. Activities that are creative and play-based can engage children and help them to express their thoughts and feelings. This workshop will present a brief theoretical overview followed by a variety of play therapy interventions to assess and treat children and families coping with loss. A range of innovative activities will be outlined, including therapeutic games, art, and stories. Although the focus of this workshop will be on bereavement and divorce, many of the interventions can be adapted for other treatment populations.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- Define grief, traumatic grief, and disenfranchised grief.
- Describe the continuum of parent-child relationships after separation and divorce.
- Apply at least 5 new play therapy interventions in sessions with children and families coping with loss.

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# Conference Location

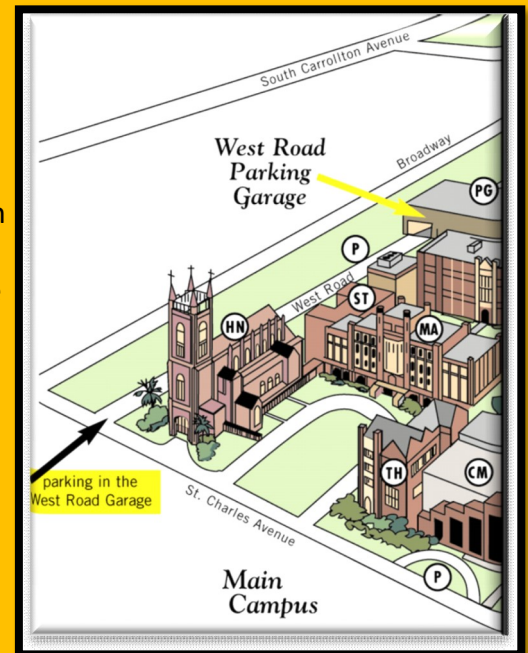
Our conference will be held at the Danna Center on the main campus of Loyola University, 6363 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, LA. We thank the Loyola Department of Counseling for co-sponsoring the conference.

## FROM 1-10 WEST TRAVELING EAST

Follow the signs toward the Central Business District. Take the Carrollton Avenue exit, Exit 232. Follow South Carrollton (until it almost ends) and turn left on St. Charles Avenue. Loyola's main campus is located on the left, just past Tulane University and across from Audubon Park.

## FROM 1-10 EAST TRAVELING WEST

As you enter the downtown area, follow the signs to Hwy. 90 Business / West Bank. Exit at St. Charles Avenue / Carondelet Street (do not cross the bridge). At the second traffic light, turn right onto St. Charles Avenue. Follow St. Charles Avenue for four miles; Loyola's main campus is on the right. Two hotels on St. Charles Avenue near Loyola University will offer special conference rates. The Loyola Parking Garage provides convenient, free, and secure parking. **Please park on the top two floors only.** It is located off St. Charles on West Road (adjacent to Holy Name of Jesus Church). Public safety officers are on duty. From the parking garage, enter the courtyard and the Danna Center will be on your left. Registration will take place upstairs in the Audubon Room. **(Permit Parking will be Waived)**



### Hampton Inn: Garden District

3626 St. Charles Ave.

504-899-9990

[https://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/M/MSYGDHX-LTC-20190207/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/M/MSYGDHX-LTC-20190207/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG)

### Special Conference Rate for a Limited Time

\$199/night + \$15/ day parking

(The Group Code is LAPT Conference)

**\* Deadline: 1/08/2019 \***

## OTHER HOTELS IN THE AREA

### Hotel Indigo

2203 St. Charles Ave.

504-522-3650

### Residence Inn, Marriot New Orleans

**Downtown/French Quarter**

345 St. Joseph St.

504-522-1300

### Best Western/ St. Charles Inn

3636 St. Charles Ave

504-899- 8888



## Registration Information

Click or paste the link into your browser to register:

**\*\* <https://www.regonline.com/louisianaassociationforplaytherapyconference> \*\***

<b>Fee Schedule</b>	<b>Friday February 8</b>	<b>Saturday February 9</b>	<b>Both Days</b>
Early* LAPT Member	\$130	\$130	\$230
Early* Non-member	\$150	\$150	\$290
Advanced LAPT Member	\$150	\$150	\$270
Advanced Non-Member	\$180	\$180	\$330
Onsite	\$210	\$210	\$360

Full-Time Students (with proof of enrollment): 1/2 of above cost

\*Early= Registered or Postmarked by January 8, 2019

- Advanced admission ends January 25, 2019
- After January 25, 2019 all registration will take place on-site.
- No registrations will be accepted by mail if postmarked later than January 25, 2019.
- Cancellations received before January 25, 2019 are refundable less \$25.00 administrative charge per registrant.
- Refunds will not be given for cancellations after January 25, 2019.

### Want to Joint APT-LAPT?

**\$95 Professional/ \$50 Affiliate**

**You will receive the APT journal, Play Therapy Magazine, & discounts on state, national, and international conferences.**

