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A Hole in the Heart: Why We Fail at Love

with
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For centuries, love has been a topic for philosophy, theology, and especially the arts. During the past century, depth psychology, evolutionary theory, and modern science have taken up the topic as well. Yet marriages and partnerships continue to break up, and the divorce rate climbs. We seem to be failing at love. Are we the problem? Modern society? Or is it love itself that is so difficult? Could love be problematic even at an “archetypal level”?

This lecture will draw upon the Upanishads of the East, Homer's Hymn to Aphrodite of the ancient Greek world, and Virgil's Aeneid of the Roman West. To bring our view to the present, we will also look at some contemporary film clips. By the end of the discussion, we will have a better appreciation of why love is difficult, how and why we fail at love, and what those failures could be asking of us.

LOCATION

Loyola University Water Tower Campus Maguire Hall, 1 E. Pearson, Chicago IL – Room #240

DISCUSSION FEE

\$60 – 3 CE credits

\$30 for students

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Learning Objectives:

- Distinguish the effect of Western vs. Eastern understandings on couples's behavior.
- See how identification, acting out and splitting serve as sexual defenses.
- Recognize couples' unconscious assumptions regarding value and purpose.
- Interpret backgrounds for destructive behavior in relationship.

Required Readings:

- Homer's *Hymn to Aphrodite* – [Click Here to View](#)
- Virgil's *The Aeneid* – [Click Here to View](#)



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