

"Waltzing the Reaper"

A Dramatic Exploration of End-of-Life Issues Including Spirituality, Grief and Ethics

FEATURING:

- The highly acclaimed, one woman play "Waltzing the Reaper" - performed by Judith Gantly.
- Join us for a theater style presentation and follow up commentary as we use drama/performing arts to discuss end-of-life issues.
- Alissa Drescher, MA, LPC, GC, Grief Center Director, Alive - coming from TN to explore Spirituality, Meaning-Making, Ethics and much more!

Friday, December 6, 2019

8:00 - 8:30 am: Registration & Networking

8:30-2:45 pm: Presentations

See back page for detailed agenda

**Dignity Memorial -
Georgia Memorial Park
Funeral Home**

2000 Cobb Parkway
Marietta, GA

A light lunch will be provided

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\$95 Regular Registration
(includes lunch and 5 CE hours!)**

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5 Credit Hours Approved For:

- Social Work (GSCSW- 2 Ethics and 3 CE Credits)
- Case Managers (CCM-5 Clock Hours)
- RN (CA Board of Registered Nursing - 5 Contact Hours)
- LPC (ETHICS: 2 NBCC Hours and 3 NBCC Hours)
- Attendance or applied credit certificate available for other credentials.



Presenters:

Judith Gantly

Alissa Drescher, MA, LPC, GC

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Death and dying are two very sensitive yet important topics. We all will experience the loss of a loved one in our lifetime. As healthcare professionals, many of us also work with patients who are terminally ill and/or in the process of dying. In this unique and thought-provoking presentation, Judith Gantly, a renowned actress, will perform the play, “Waltzing the Reaper”, which is a deeply moving and humorous look at the patient and caregiver journey through the dying process. Drama and performance is a non-threatening way to explore the complex and difficult emotional issues related to end-of-life. Following the performance, we will have a panel discussion to process the play and explore ethics, end-of -life issues and how we can help our clients/patients and their families as they face this important stage in life. From here, Alissa Drescher, MA, LPC, GC and Grief Center Director of Alive will dive deeper into spirituality, grief and ethics – touching on meaning-making in the grief experience, contemporary view of grief, different types of grief and ethical principles as they apply. This theatrical presentation will provide the groundwork to more deeply explore end-of- life issues and provide us with ways to help our patients/families start these critical discussions as well.

Agenda:

8:00 - 8:30am:	Registration & Networking
8:30 - 9:30am:	Waltzing the Reaper: One Act Play: Judith Gantly
9:30 - 10:30am:	Panel Discussion
10:30 - 10:45am:	<i>Break</i>
10:45 - 12:15pm:	Spirituality/Meaning-Making/Ethics and Different Types of Grief – Part 1: Alissa Drescher, MA, LPC, GC, Grief Center Director, Alive
12:15 - 1:00pm:	<i>Lunch</i>
1:00 - 2:45pm:	Spirituality/Meaning-Making/Ethics and Different Types of Grief – Part 2: Alissa Drescher, MA, LPC, GC, Grief Center Director, Alive

By attending our workshop, you will be able to:

1. Identify at least 2 ways healthcare professionals can help their clients/patients when dealing with end of life issues.
2. Describe at least 2 ways that hospice can assist in the end of life process.
3. Identify 2 of the models of grief.
4. State ethical principles that may impact end-of-life issues and apply to different scenarios
5. Have explored the “meaning-making” and spirituality aspects of grief.

SOCIAL WORKERS: An application has been submitted to the Georgia Society for Clinical Social Work for CE approval.

In order to receive credit, you must attend the entire presentation and complete an evaluation. Certificates will be provided on-site. Target audience: Social workers, case managers, discharge planners, nurses and other healthcare professionals –beginning to intermediate level of learning. *The GA Board governing social work CE's accepts ACE Programs.*

NURSES: 5 Contact Hours -CEU Creations is an approved provider of nursing CE's through the California Board of Registered Nursing. Provider number: CEP16563. All states retain their own licensing authority through their own boards. Please make sure to check with your own state board to ensure transferability of the CE credits.

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Speaker Information

Judith Gantly

Judith is involved with the television/film/video industry including extra work in movies and television, theater, and corporate video spokesperson. This includes her one woman play “Waltzing the Reaper” at conferences, universities and theaters. She received training from American Academy of Dramatic Arts and received her M.A. from Kean University of New Jersey.

Alissa Drescher, MA, LPC, GC

Alisa is a highly sought after speaker addressing topics related to grief and mourning, and is known for her creative, interactive, and story-telling presentation style. She began working in the field of bereavement services in 2006, offering encouragement to grieving parents. Alissa’s passion for supporting people through the grief process led to counseling both grieving children and adults in individual and group settings.

At the Tristesse Grief Center in Tulsa, OK, she served as senior program director, overseeing a variety of programming including the Healing Hearts Camp, Oklahoma’s first overnight camp for grieving children and teens (now Camp Erin Tulsa). Alissa was an adjunct professor at Southern Nazarene University teaching several undergraduate counseling courses including Death, Grief and Loss. After relocating to Tennessee, Alissa became the founder/executive director of the Grief Center of Middle Tennessee, whose mission is to help children, teens, and adults cope with loss and change.

Alissa is a Fellow in Thanatology: Death, Dying & Bereavement and holds a Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy with a focus in Play Therapy. She is also a member of the Association of Death Education and Counseling and the National Alliance for Grieving Children.