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Helga Coulter is a Psychologist and Psychoanalytic Psychotherapist. She trained in London with the Lincoln Clinic and Centre for Psychotherapy.

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Until June 2006 she was the Chairperson of the VAPP Training Committee, a post she held for more than five years.

# SEX, LOVE AND DEATH in the time of Freud: A psychoanalytic exploration of the life and art of Egon Schiele

The exceptionally gifted painter Egon Schiele was by the end of his short life Austria's most celebrated artist.

Alongside Oskar Kokoschka he was one of the first expressionists. What emerged in his art was something extraordinary for his time when the suppression of the sexual nature of the human being was part of life. Schiele challenged existing norms and during his career he shocked the Viennese by shamelessly violating existing taboos with his sexually explicit drawings and paintings. In doing so, he tried to plunge the depth of sexuality, male and female, just as Freud did at the time when he published his "Three Essays on the Theory of Sexuality" in 1905.

Inherent in his art was also a pre-occupation with death, something that emerged across other creative areas at the time, as well as in Freud's writings.

The paper makes an attempt to explore psychoanalytically Schiele's life as well as gaining some understanding of the link between sex and death whilst looking at the existing culture and morals at the end of the Hapsburg Empire.



**Date:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2008

**Time:** 7.30 pm AGM  
8.00 Start

**Venue:** Mercy Theatre  
Australian Catholic University  
115 Victoria Parade  
East Melbourne VIC 3002

Parking in Victoria Parade, nearby streets  
& St Vincent's Car Park (Fitzroy Street).  
Tram Nos.: 23, 24, 30 & 42.  
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