

# BERLIN SCHOOL FOR PSYCHOANALYSIS AFTER FREUD AND LACAN

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## FIRST MEETING TO ESTABLISH THE BERLIN SCHOOL

The first meeting to establish the Berlin School for Psychoanalysis after Freud and Lacan took place on January 31, 2026, at the Psychoanalytic Library. The results of the meeting are reflected in the activities listed here.

## MONTHLY SCHOOL MEETING

The first of the monthly school meetings will take place on March 16 at 4:30 p.m. CET via Zoom. Access:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6063394270?pwd=QnF4Wk10K1JENjI2aVZZaXh0dS9HQT09&omn=89549324897>

Meeting ID: 606 339 4270

Passcode: 7ENsNE

The approximately one-hour meeting is open to all interested parties and serves to generate school activities and exchange ideas about them. Participation is possible in German, English, or French, and we will endeavor to provide translations if desired.

## SEMINARS

The seminar "The 'Structure' of Psychoanalysis" (Marcus Coelen) will take place on the following date: March 13, via Zoom. For more details, please visit the seminar website: [www.structure-of-psychoanalysis.online](http://www.structure-of-psychoanalysis.online)  
A seminar on "Reality" (Mai Wegener) will begin in the fall. More information will follow.

## CARTELS

The following cartel is currently being formed:

- "On the Dispositif of the School." It serves to establish the "dispositif" and will exist until it is operating. More information on its composition will follow.

Derived from *carta* via Italian *cartello*, the French *cartel* refers to a small card or a written notice. The school invites you to set up and announce further cartels of three to five people, plus one additional person to help coordinate the work. The cartels, the names of those participating, the description of the issue at hand, and the scheduled duration will be published on the website and in the newsletter.

## READING GROUPS

The following reading group begins in May:

- Filiations:

This reading group begins from the premise that psychoanalysis is a family affair. As a discourse preoccupied with kinship, inheritance, and succession, its institutional history has often been narrated through founders and heirs, orthodoxies and schisms. Who counts as a proper descendant, and who is marked as deviant, derivative, or disloyal? And how have racial, sexual, and gendered differences been positioned within these genealogies? The group aims to explore psychoanalytic transmission, treating study as a shared, open practice. Sessions will focus on reading aloud together, across theoretical, clinical, and poetic forms.

Led by: Hoorá Sarajan and Jessica Aimufua

In English, starting May 6, monthly, at 7:00 p.m. CET,  
via Zoom

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Additional reading groups are welcome.

## FREUD'S LETTERS

Marcus Coelen, Britta Günther, and Tobias Mulot are starting a book project entitled "Freud's Letters." Further information will follow.

## WORKING GROUP ON ISSUES ARISING FROM THE PRACTICE AND CLINICAL APPLICATION OF PSYCHOANALYSIS

On February 6, the working group began a new cycle that will run until the beginning of July, at which point it will be closed. At the beginning of the new cycle (date to be determined), the working group will once again be open to anyone who practices psychoanalysis in any context or form and would like to discuss this work in the group. The group aims to articulate the questions arising from the work using elements of psychoanalytic theory. Further information is available at: <https://psybi-berlin.de/ag-zu-fragen-die-sich-aus-der-psychoanalytischen-praxis-ergeben/>.

## SCRATCHING, BITING, HITTING – WHAT DOES "VIOLENCE AMONG CHILDREN" MEAN?

An open discussion group for everyone—children, parents, educators, psychoanalysts, etc.—who are concerned with the issue of violence among or by children, in daycare centers, schools, or elsewhere.  
Mondays 4–6 p.m. at PsyBi (Geisbergstraße 29, Berlin-Schöneberg), starting with another date: March 9, 2026.

## PODCAST

Steven Reisner has suggested setting up a podcast for the school based on his previous experience with podcasting. A meeting to discuss this idea will take place in the near future at the Psychoanalytic Library. Details to follow.

## SECOND MEETING TO ESTABLISH THE BERLIN SCHOOL

The second meeting to establish the Berlin School for Psychoanalysis according to Freud and Lacan is expected to take place in the fall of 2026 at the Psychoanalytic Library. It is again open to all interested parties. More information on the date and content will follow here and on the school's website.

## SCHOOL WEBSITE

The school's website is accessible at [www.berliner-schule.org](http://www.berliner-schule.org) and available in German, English, and French. The site is still under construction, so please be patient. Please send any questions by email to [info@berliner-schule.org](mailto:info@berliner-schule.org).