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members of community-based projects.

community psychoanalysis valuable experiential learning for becoming productive

disavowed" (Layton, 2020). When he signaled his erasure, Ricardo destabilized the

Violetta's anxieties demonstrated how normative unconscious processes “reproduce

In the Collaboratory, participants' early complicity with Ricardo's invisibility and

Collaborative Third

experience, what we have called, with a nod to Benjamin's 'Moral Third' (2012), a

session's end, with renewed confidence Violetta shared her intention to organize a

atmosphere was charged with excitement, curiosity, and creativity.  Toward the

problem to solve. As this defensive splitting between BIPOC and white members gave

voices that had pushed Ricardo into silence and rendered Violetta's anxiety a

presentation. Later, excitement and a sense of 'being in this together' was evident as

the land, where colonial land-owners and politicians stripped the people of rights and

the Collaboratory and awakened the group to its purpose.

Ricardo and projections of fragility and fear onto Violetta. By taking leadership and

then did they notice Ricardo's absence. One facilitator pointed out the group's

stretches he could neither be seen nor heard.  Suddenly, the Zoom chat box exploded

limited access to internet resources, had been trying to connect by phone. For long

insecurity, appearing to make Violetta and her doubts its 'project.' During a

methodologies offer rich material for an evolving set of tools and practice principles

and the creation of new community organizations such as schools and youth centers.

Over its five iterations, participants from around the world have shared innovative

process observation and discussion.

Facilitation of the group is guided by democratic-humanistic values and norms that

incubator, and experiential laboratory, the Collaboratory is informed by relational

contingent, provisional nature of therapy.  After splitting apart from Ricardo, the

combative and potentially pathological voices (Glassman, 2008) and their concern for and mutual implication in struggles

and community-based projects, many psychoanalytic theorists and practitioners are

and social–the mutually constitutive connections among individual minds, the

Contemporary cultural, political, economic, and climatic realities urgently challenge

xenophobia, misogyny, homo/transphobia), and extreme economic inequalities,

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