

Intrapersonal Evolution: A Sharing of Semantic Jumps

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An article, written by the proposer of this program, entitled “Intrapersonal Evolution: The Structured Unconscious, The Structural More, and the Semantic Jump,” was published in the Fall 1994 issue of *Et cetera*. The article presented the concept of interpersonal evolution occurring through a series of *semantic jumps*. It explained individual interpersonal evolution as a process involving the individual’s structured unconscious, the addition of the structural more, and a resulting semantic jump.

This proposal is for a program of sharing among the audience. It is proposed that the program begin with an explanation of the concept of intrapersonal evolution followed by a sharing among the participants of their personal semantic jumps. The semantic jump can be seen as an internal revolution, a restructuring of reality, a radical, irreversible change in an individual’s structural system affecting the individual’s human information processing system. Any major change in one’s life results in the addition of a structural more which, if significant, results in a radical change in the cognitive structuring of incoming information and modifies one’s outlook on life.

Members of the audience will be invited to share their semantic jumps and the resulting changes in individual perceptions. Understanding the concept of semantic jumping allows one to move to an awareness of the world and oneself as interacting swirls of restless processes.