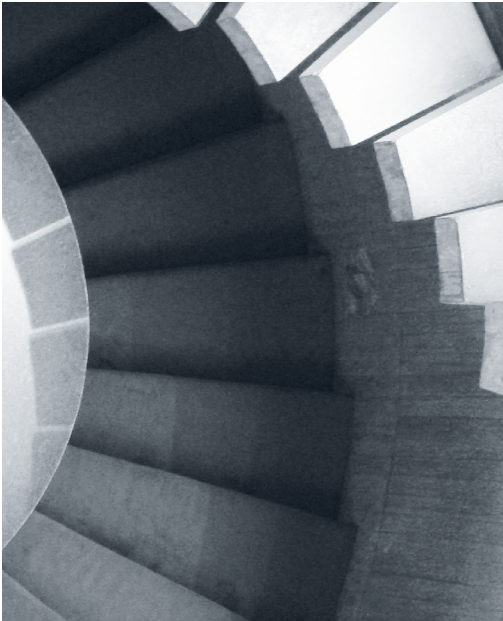


# Editorial



Volume 41 of *Junguiana* arrives at a time when there is an event of perception, in the collective consciousness, of the presence of artificial intelligence in our daily lives. The impact of the launch of ChatGPT has generated debates around the positive and negative effects of technology, ranging from replacing humans to their redemption, from fear to fascination, oscillating between technophobia and technophilia. Knowing the importance of dialogue between opposites, of withstanding tension and creating new possibilities, we continue to bet on the creativity of authors who are dedicated to reflecting on subjectivity and culture in the field of Jungian psychology. Thus, the journal has been committed to promoting the discussion of otherness, in the most different ways, in the most varied “I-other” relationships and, we believe that, in the human-machine relationship, this discussion is extreme, current and necessary.

Last year, due to the celebration of the journal’s 40th anniversary, we honored our history with a special issue in which out-of-print articles selected by members and trainees of the Brazilian Society of Analytical Psychology (SBPA) were republished. This year, we will also edit three issues because, systematically, the editors are faced with new challenges and seek ways to meet the desires identified in the SBPA and among our readers; in this way, the re-editions were expanded from articles originally published by *Junguiana* to also include articles published in other media, whether blogs or journals.

This thought-provoking first issue of volume 41 was composed of original and unpublished articles. We begin with “The intentionality of decisions and choices: freedom is choosing God”, which proposes an understanding of the phenomenon of intentionality in its interaction with unconscious foundations, pointing to a variety of random realities that summon and act as co-conductors of the individuation process of individuals and humanity.

In “The skin of the earth”, we are sensitized to the environmental situation of the planet through the approach of analytical psychology, symbolic language and the knowledge of indigenous people of the Yanomami ethnic group.

We also have articles that establish an approximation and dialogue with the literature. In “R. L. Stevenson – The storyteller and the harvest of dreams”, we find fruitful reflections on the oneiric world and the literary creative process by comparing the essay: a chapter on R. L. Stevenson’s dream and Jung’s ideas on dreams, psyche and creativity.

“The Southern Highway: movement and stoppage” focuses on the short story by Julio Florêncio Cortázar, observing the relationships between shadow and persona in the challenges of contemporary life and in realizing the deep need for contact in times of isolation and stoppage.

“Anima e animus – friendship and individuation” performs a symbolic analysis of 30 years of correspondence between Clarice Lispector and Fernando Sabino and reflects on how the friendship between a man and a woman can be the driving force behind their individuation process.

We continue with “Writings to heal racial complex and memorialist narrative”, which analyzes the novel “Alleys of memory” by

Conceição Evaristo, highlighting the interconnection between (the) individual and collective memory impacted by the traumatic effects resulting from the annihilation of the memories of Afro-descendants in role of colonialism. When considering the symbolic-archetypal dimension, the author emphasizes the importance of memorialist narratives for the transformation of the racial complex as it is presented in Brazilian culture.

“Africa, the thread: About the ancestral presence in the unconscious” deepens the sense of ancestry in Africa according to the Ghanaian philosopher Kwase Wiredu and the notion of “ancestral complex” in Jung, resulting, in the words of the author, in a “transcultural communication” between tra-

ditional African thinking and Jungian thinking.

Finally, “Heaven’s envoy: defenses against deidealization” investigates the defenses against the deidealization of the image of a neuroatypical child, bringing to light experiences of atypical paternity and the desire to deny pathologizing in favor of transcendence.

The set of these articles resulted in an issue sensitive to contemporary matters that populate Brazilian culture and the reality of clinical work. We hope that it can capture the interest of our readers so that we can continue on the path of expanding the field of dialogue in analytical psychology.

We wish you pleasant reading!

The Editors