

AHPb Chair's Page

With Lucy Scufield

Dear friends,

Self & Society is such an important voice of the Association for Humanistic Psychology in Britain. We need its challenging perspective in these troubled and turbulent, times. It offers a radical alternative, which is more vital than ever, in the face of mainstream media supporting the status quo. It includes thought-provoking content with articles, interviews, critically acclaimed columnists, poems and book reviews. It will appeal to anyone who wishes to know about Humanistic Psychology, with its aim of enhancing the individual and society, and exploring what it is to be human. It is of interest to anyone who is concerned about how we respond to the enormous issues that are being so starkly revealed at this time.

Due to financial constraints we now produce alternating quarterly issues of the printed journal, which started in 1973, and this complementary online magazine, the first of which was published in the spring of 2018. Contributions for both are very welcome.

Dina Glouberman and myself (Chair) are extremely grateful to Richard House, our fellow AHPb Board member, for his commitment and hard work as sole editor. He has undertaken this role with great dedication since January 2020. Enormous thanks are due too to Adrian Barker for all his hard work designing and producing both publications, and also our website (at www.ahpb.org).

We hope that as the lockdowns ease, we will once again organise face-to-face events that will promote Humanistic Psychology. For example, we are anticipating a conference in partnership with sister organisations such as the AHPP and the Independent Practitioners Network. This is likely to be on the theme of *Engaging Our Hearts in Dangerous Times*. Watch this space.

In order to promote Humanistic Psychology globally we have recently met with the AHP in the United States. We very much appreciate their enthusiastic and warm response, and anticipate collaborating with them in the future.

We are a small dedicated and committed team determined that the AHPb remains sustainable in a radical, forward-looking way. Vital to this is a well-maintained data base which is managed with great care by our administrator Anne Goodhew, to whom our warm thanks are due. We are so grateful for her hard work in ensuring that subscribers receive their publications and have access to the *Self & Society* archive.

All this work has a cost. So please ensure that your subscription is up to date and for the right amount. If you have any questions about this please email us at admin@ahpb.org.

Any offers of assistance will be very welcome and gratefully received. This includes anyone who thinks they might like to join the Board; volunteers will be given a free membership. If you have a few hours to spare and an interest in Humanistic Psychology, please do get in touch.

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