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Extension Division Presentation

Soul Machine: The Invention of the Modern Mind

Dr. George Makari will discuss his new book, *Soul Machine: The Invention of the Modern Mind*. The book takes us back to the origins of modernity, a time when a crisis in religious authority and the scientific revolution led to searching questions about the nature of the inner life of people. Makari will review his study of how a new concept—the mind—emerged as a potential solution, one that was part soul and part machine, but fully neither. He will show how writers, philosophers, physicians, and anatomists worked to construct notions of the mind, not as an ethereal thing, but a natural one. In short, he will describe how *Soul Machine* gives a new account of the making of the Western mind.

■ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 • 7:30–9:30 PM ■

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\$20 administration fee for CE certificate

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is the director of Cornell's DeWitt Wallace Institute for the History of Psychiatry, a professor of psychiatry at Weill Medical College, and an adjunct professor at Rockefeller University and Columbia University's Psychoanalytic Center. Dr. Makari is the author of *Revolution in Mind: The Creation of Psychoanalysis*, which was published in 2008 to wide acclaim. His most recent work, *Soul Machine: The Invention of the Modern Mind*, was called "brilliant" and "essential reading" by the Wall Street Journal.

CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Participants will be able to (1) Describe the evolution of the concept of mind as a natural entity, distinguishing it from earlier notions of a spiritual, perhaps supernatural, source of inner life, self-identity, and moral conflict; (2) Describe the emergence of psychiatry and the "mind sciences" and their roles in creating new ways of conceiving and experiencing the self, while giving birth to the modern Western mind.

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