## "PSYCHODRAMA ON THE SPECTRUM"

## - workshop -

The main objective of our workshop is to dive into the unique and powerful approach of psychodrama when working with children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

A minimal theoretical information about ASD will be presented (characteristics, DSM classification), combined with psychodramatic exercises to facilitate the understanding what's happening in the mind of a child with ASD.

Will have place warm-up exercises focused on the senses and emotional disconnection and a psychodramatic presentation of study case about a boy who participated at psychodramatic therapeutic groups for 3 years. We will stage one session from each year, significant for the needs, characteristics and evolution of the respective year.

Participants will acquire a minimal understanding and experiencing the way how children with ASD perceive stimuli and the world and will reflect on the emotional journey of therapists working with these children. Sharing of experiences, questions and free discussions are included.



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Psychotherapist for groups of children and teenagers for over 10 years. The cases I have worked with include different types of neurodevelopmental disorders, genetic diseases and neurological conditions: autism, Down syndrome, epilepsy, ADHD, developmental delays, cerebral palsy, etc.



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Since 2004, I have worked with parents, children, adolescents and have been using

I have experience with groups of neurotipical and neurodivergent children and adolescent aged between three and eighteen, parents and children, and refugees.

I am also trained in art therapy, EMDR, Schema Therapy, Sandplay and NeuroAffective Relational Model (NARM), allowing for a comprehensive approach to my work