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Editorial

The name of the journal—(*Re)-turn: Journal of Lacanian Studies*—signifies a number of things, Lacan's return to Freud, the transformations in Lacan's own work, as well as the return to the first American Lacanian journal, *Newsletter of the Freudian Field* (1987-1994). For Lacan, *return* has been a particularly important term, a psychoanalytic concept based on the premise that every juncture, every point of understanding or knowledge, is not only present in conscious life, but is represented precisely as a return where the conscious intersects with the unconscious. This is the place around which Lacanian studies must revolve. This intersection is explored by the authors of this first issue on psychosis. For example, Jacques Alain Miller studies the intersection of normative discourse and psychotic language in "The Clinic of Irony." Roger Wartel talks about the intersection between hysteria and psychosis. Roland Broca takes up the intersection between psychosis and social examples of mass madness. Robert and Rosine LeFort examine the intersections among psychosis, autism, and retardation.

This journal will build upon the legacy of *NFF* by participating in an international forum of Lacanian studies which has flourished in the past ten years. Lacanian psychoanalytic concepts will be applied to legal studies, colonial studies, cultural studies, as well as film studies, art history, literary critique, and the analytic clinic itself. This journal will bring together the publication of primary materials, not yet translated materials from Lacanian scholars, with Lacanian scholarship worldwide.

In addition to publishing primary materials and scholarly articles, this new journal will have a likely book review section which takes account of the broader base of Lacanian studies around the world. It will also serve as a forum for disseminating the news of symposia and conferences on Lacan. The Editors

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