Healing the Hidden Wounds of Racial Trauma
Thursday, September 29 & Friday, September 30, 2016
Saint Mary’s University Conference Center
Minneapolis, MN

With Dr. Kenneth V. Hardy
Also featuring Dr. Anderson (AJ) Franklin,
Ms. Vanessa Jackson, Dr. Joseph White, and more

Mission
To create a mental health provider workforce and community that is more diverse and culturally competent.

Vision
• Engage the community to proactively address the shortage of mental health providers of color and develop leaders
• Embrace all forms of diversity by offering ethnically and culturally relevant training experiences
• Empower trainees to develop and sustain mental healthcare practices and policy for culturally diverse communities
• Equip training participants with new information, skills and knowledge necessary to grow individually and collectively

Kente Circle Training Institute
Creating space to cultivate genius

The Kente Circle Training Institute 501c3 (KCTI) is a non-profit launched by Kente Circle, LLC (Kente) in 2015. Kente was established in 2004 to provide culturally responsive therapy to individuals, couples, and families. It is located in South Minneapolis and provides an array of mental health services in Hennepin, Dakota, Anoka, and Ramsey Counties, and in various settings including schools, corrections, and in clients’ homes. In addition to providing mental health services to diverse clientele, Kente has dedicated itself to training future and current mental health professionals through its educational programs that include its unique clinical internship program and culturally relevant trainings. Since 2004, Kente organized and facilitated nearly 100 trainings and workshops focusing on cultural awareness and trained over 110 Master’s- and doctorate-level interns from multiple disciplines, including marriage and family therapy, social work, and psychology.

Building on Kente Circle’s educational legacy, in 2015 Kente established KCTI, a non-profit organization that encompasses and expands upon Kente’s training opportunities. KCTI also fosters the research and community-building work initiated by Kente. Every KCTI program, including trainings, workshops, and community events, pays particular attention to the importance of race and culture as foundational components. Its programs seek to bring awareness to the significance of how our own cultural identities act as driving forces in our communities and our lives. KCTI aims to improve the health and wellbeing of communities of color & historically underserved populations and inspire connection and healing. It is our goal that KCTI allows us to reach the community in new ways and further our mission to create a more diverse and culturally competent mental health workforce and community.

Kente Circle Training Institute presents

With Dr. Kenneth V. Hardy
Also featuring Dr. Anderson (AJ) Franklin,
Ms. Vanessa Jackson, Dr. Joseph White, and more
Healing the Hidden Wounds of Racial Trauma

Race. Throughout history this social construct has been employed to simultaneously divide and connect, oppress and empower, & disgrace and celebrate people of the human race. Recent events have not allowed us to escape the impact that race and institutional racism continue to have on all of us. For its inaugural event, Kente Circle Training Institute (KCTI) is proud to present Healing the Wounds of Racial Trauma. To honor this significant occasion we are hosting a two-day conference featuring some of the most exciting and inspiring voices in therapy today.

Day One (Thursday, September 29, 2016) will explore the historical and current realities of structural racism and the legacy of violence and discrimination that result in race-related trauma wounds. The day will begin with a keynote address by Dr. Anderson (AJ) Franklin, followed by interactive reflection circles facilitated by Ms. Vanessa Jackson. Lunch will be served, with a brief awards ceremony to recognize local providers and partners of Kente and KCTI. After lunch Dr. Joseph White will share his insights in an afternoon keynote address. Next, our esteemed panel of speakers will engage in a discussion facilitated by Dr. Ken Hardy, and will invite the audience to ask questions and share their insights. The day will end with an opportunity to have materials signed by the panelists and facilitators.

Day Two (Friday, September 30, 2016) will be a full day with Dr. Kenneth V. Hardy. Building upon the conversations of the previous day, Dr. Hardy will address the significance of working to heal the economic, social, and psychological wounds of racial trauma on an individual and communal level. He will provoke dialogue with and among the audience and validate every day experiences that shape peoples’ sense of safety, belonging, and hope. Dr. Hardy will explore his concepts of internalized voicelessness, devaluation, and assaulted sense of self. Trainees will process tools and strategies to acknowledge how racial trauma has impacted their personal and professional communities, and take action to understand race not as a divisive tool but as a foundation for curiosity and connection to our fellow human.

Training Objectives

- Increase understanding of the historical and current impact of race and racial trauma for self, clientele, & diverse communities
- Equip participants of all racial identifications with concepts, skills, and resources to address racial trauma with clients and within their own communities
- Inspire participants to take action toward dismantling forces that promote racial trauma and develop a more culturally competent workforce

Conference Registration at www.kentecircle.com
Click on Trainings Tab

Early Bird Registration through September 16, 2016 (Regular and day of prices for September 17-September 30 indicated in parentheses)

Day One (Thursday, Sept. 29) only - 6 CEUs available
Lunch included
Professionals $150 ($175)
Students $75 ($90)

Day Two (Friday, Sept. 30) only - 6 CEUs available
Professionals $130 ($145)
Students $75 ($90)

Two Day Bundle (Thursday and Friday) - 12 CEUs available
Professionals $225 ($280)
Students $125 ($155)

Payment by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and PayPal - small transaction fees may apply.

Healing the Hidden Wounds of Racial Trauma is designed for social workers, therapists, youth workers, teachers, correctional staff, and other helping professionals.

CEUs for Minnesota’s Marriage and Family Therapy, Clinical Social Work, and Counseling Psychology Boards available

Gala Tickets purchased at www.kentecircle.com
Click on Gala Tab

$75 for one seat or $140 for two
$800 for a table (8 seats)
Day One: Thursday, September 29, 2016

Day Two: Friday, September 30, 2016
Kente Circle Training Institute’s Inaugural Gala
Saturday, October 1, 2016 | 6 pm-Midnight
Saint Mary’s University Conference Center | Minneapolis, MN

KCTI is celebrating its first birthday by hosting a Fundraising Gala with live music, comedy, and other entertainment. Dinner will be served and a cash bar will be available. There will also be a silent auction featuring goods and services from local and regional businesses and artists. Attendees will hear stories from people who have been impacted by Kente Circle’s training programs, including past and current associate therapists, interns, and clients. After the program and auction close, we will continue the celebration with dancing and mingling with other guests.

The purpose of this event is to build support and investment in KCTI’s mission and development, and all funds raised will support KCTI’s programs and infrastructure. There is limited space available— we hope to see you there!

Tickets on sale at www.kentecircle.com
Click on Gala tab

$75 per ticket or $140 for two

$800 per table (8 attendees)
Sponsorship benefits included with table**

Follow us on Twitter @Kente_Circle
Find Kente Circle on Facebook
#kenteconference2016

**If you would like to sponsor a table or donate items to the silent auction, please contact Sarah Lentz at slentz@kentecircle.com