

## **Upcoming Meetings**

At ZAZA City Palette, 5th floor

Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm – 9:00pm Members: Free - Non-members: ¥1,000

By Peter Ross (sponsored by West-Tokyo Chapter)

## Improvisational Psychodrama

## (即興心理劇)

Psychodrama is a therapeutic technique conceived and developed by Jacob L. Moreno, MD. Using experiential guided drama techniques, psychodrama provides a safe, supportive environment in which participants can practice new roles, language and behaviors, thus facilitating insight, personal growth, and integration.

There is no single, rigid pattern to the psychodrama process. However, the cycle can be divided roughly into three phases. The first involves warming up, selecting protagonists and antagonists and setting the scene. The second phase consists of an inprovisational roleplay. In the third phase, the participants reflect on their work, and relate it to their own, everyday lives.

This workshop will demonstrate applications of the psychodrama cycle to the language classroom, incorporating the Japanese concepts of 'tatemae' and 'honne'.

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If you have questions, please check our <u>JALT website (www.hamajalt.org)</u>, or contact Dan Frost at 053-460-7956 or you can also contact Dan at his e-mail: <u>danshonest@yahoo.com</u> See you in February!