



Cause Célèbre

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Presents the

"YOU ARE NOT ALONE" SERIES / Mental Health Matters

Monday, November 18th, at 6 p.m.

3 West Club, New York City

You may have noticed that it is acceptable to say you have a broken leg or suffer from diabetes or heart disease. But it is *not* acceptable to say you are so depressed you can't get out of bed or that a loved one suffers from ongoing anxiety attacks. It is even less acceptable to say that you or a loved one suffer from bipolar disorder or schizophrenia. Mental disorders still create a stigma which isolates the individual *and their families*. For families, the disorder can create its own world, one filled with fear, anxiety, embarrassment and isolation.

Join us for Part One of our "You Are Not Alone" series which will provide individuals a chance to connect with each other, to learn about all the options that are open to them legally, clinically and systematically and to feel that they are part of a community. This very special evening will begin with a screening of ***Love Divided By***, a short film written by Susan Charlotte with an original score by Philip Glass, followed by a panel including **Carolyn Reinach Wolf, Esq., Thomas O'Connor** and film and TV star **Louise Lasser** who will discuss creating her very beloved, very emotional and very troubled **Mary Hartman**. You will have a chance to ask questions of Ms. Lasser as well as experts in the legal and treatment fields who are not only knowledgeable but innovative as well in their approaches.

This very special evening, sponsored by **Abrams, Fensterman, Fensterman, Eisman, Formato, Ferrara & Einiger, LLP** and **O'Connor Associates**, will end with a reception on the Terrace overlooking Rockefeller Center, where you'll enjoy good food, good wine and good company.

Please call **646-366-9340** in advance for tickets. Space is very limited. Doors open at 6:00pm.

About Cause Celebre

Created 6 years ago by Food For Thought's Founding Artistic Director Susan Charlotte, an award-winning writer whose plays and films have enjoyed productions and screenings throughout the country. Cause Célèbre is devoted to fostering an enhanced understanding of psychological, physical and social issues by presenting plays related to a particular cause, performed by our finest actors. They have produced nine successful shows Off Broadway and numerous Galas. Cause Célèbre's mission is threefold; to connect theatre with different causes, to provide visibility for different causes and to educate the public.

About Louise Lasser

Louise Lasser became a household name when she starred in the hit series, "Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman". And who could forget the wife of Woody Allen when she shared the screen with her husband in "Bananas," "Take The Money And Run" and "Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About Sex." And of course she had a recurring role on the other hit tv series, "Taxi" and can now be seen in the series "Girls."

About Carolyn Reinach Wolf, Esq.

Carolyn Reinach Wolf is a senior law partner in the law firm of **Abrams, Fensterman, Fensterman, Eisman, Formato, Ferrara & Einiger, LLP** in New York City and Lake Success, Long Island. Ms. Wolf's practice concentrates in the area of mental health law, representing professionals, hospitals, educational institutions, individuals and their families. She is a frequent speaker to health care and mental health organizations. She has assisted hundreds of individuals and families navigate the complicated mental health legal and health care systems.

About Thomas O'Connor

Thomas J. O'Connor M Ed CRC is the Founder and Managing Director of **O'Connor Associates LLC**. Mr. O'Connor is a nationally recognized specialist in psychiatric disability management and care management with 25 years of experience working with families, clients in recovery and with employees with psychiatric disability. Mr. O'Connor has a national reputation as a champion of family recovery and dignified living for adults living with a mental illness.