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Embodiment: Because You're Worth It: by Michael Soth

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In an age of narcissism epidemic, as demonstrated by celebrities all over the media, the body is used as a fashion accessory, as an advertisement for Self rather than an incarnation of the Self.

As Winnicott observed, for us to develop a sense of the “psyche indwelling in the soma”, we need a relational space where we do not feel pressure to adjust our gesture to Mummy’s expectation, whether that Mummy is personal, social, cultural or ‘therapeutic’

The longings for – and the therapeutic agendas towards – ‘embodiment’ create dilemmas for therapists of all kinds – psychological and complementary. How can we do justice to the valid intuitions of embodiment without exacerbating its postmodern contortions, confusions and misappropriations?

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