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**September 24th 2012: Psychiatrist Talks Race  
and Human Development**

Dr. James P. Comer's iconic work in child development and the human condition allow us direct access to the best thinking and doing on race and development we can find. Is it only fear preventing open talk about race in the USA? Do "racial" groups of adults really have "collective unconscious" feelings on race that surface in "their" private settings? Is racial healing really the most fundamental area for humans to resolve? Maybe there is something else we tend to fall back on that gets in the way of new beliefs. Is anything really a deeper divide than racism? What does it take to reject our

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### Featured Guest



#### James P. Comer, MD

James P. Comer, M.D. is the Maurice Falk Professor of Child Psychiatry at the Yale University School of Medicine's Child Study Center in New Haven, Connecticut. He is known globally for his creation of the Comer School Development Program; the forerunner of most modern school reform efforts. He is the author of ten books, including most recently, "What I Learned in School: Reflections on Race, Child Development, and School Reform". His school restructuring work is featured in numerous sources and academic journals. He is co-founder of the Black Psychiatrists of America. He was a consultant to Children's Television Workshop. Dr. Comer's many awards include the John & Mary Markle Scholar in A

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