The Journey To Baba Yaga: An Uncertain Landscape Into Light and Dark.


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Abstract: As existential psychotherapists in economically uncertain and pressured times we face a dilemma. How do we respond to a culture that values science over art -- a culture that, within the medical setting of the NHS, increasingly threatens to confine us within the calculations and the ground-rules of science? Where is our ground? If we see ourselves as practising an art of psychotherapy, do we shift our ground to conform more to the scientific context?

Working in Palliative Care in an acute hospital setting with what is most terrible: the uncertain landscape of death and of grief, the dark forces of illness, and decay. How can we help our patients to find a path through the darkness and desolation towards light and life? Confronted with this landscape, this paper proposes a path through art rather than science. And so I turn to Nietzsche. I suggest that from Nietzsche's earliest writings a direction is offered, it is a doctrine on aesthetics. Offered up in his first work, The Birth of Tragedy, it is a guiding thread through all his writing, through to his last notebooks. Through art, Nietzsche tells us, we find our strength, our resilience, as poets of our lives. I will demonstrate this with case illustration.

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