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# The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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## DECEMBER 2019

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Programs begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. \$5 Suggested Donation  
From 6:30 to 6:55 is time for socializing and browsing through the bookstore and library.

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### Dec 6 *In Search of Balance*

Video by Adam Pflughaar

"An exploration of a new paradigm of health, science, and medicine, based on the interconnections between us and nature." This documentary colors our understanding of the Oneness of Life on a microbotic scale, in which we see more clearly the relationship between our physical bodies and the microorganisms on which we rely.

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### Dec 13 *Winter Festivals Around the World*

Presentation by Randall Olson

The winter solstice has been celebrated in nearly every human culture as one of the most important days of the year. We will explore several ways humans have, and continue to, come together on this special day, including: Yule (Nordic), Saturnalia (Roman), Soyal (Hopi), Dong Zhi (Chinese), among others.

Randall has a Bachelor's degree in Comparative Religion and Philosophy.

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"One kind word can warm three winter months. "

--*Japanese Proverb*

**Happy Hanukkah Blessed Solstice Merry Christmas Happy Kwanzaa**

## WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

### Tuesday, December 17 – 7:00 - 9:30 PM

Join us for a winter gathering for TS members, family and friends.  
Potluck vegetarian supper, gratitude ceremony, blessing tree, and friendship circle.

For friendship circle, bring something you enjoy sharing:  
a poem, prayer, story or song.



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## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

If you have any questions or comments about our ongoing activities,  
please call (248) 545-1961 or email [theosodet@gmail.com](mailto:theosodet@gmail.com)

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**MONDAYS: 2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH 7:00 PM** **BOOK STUDY**

*The Astral Body and Other Astral Phenomena (Classics Series)* by A.E. Powell.

In print since 1927, this study of our subtle body is based on the works of theosophical authors and noted clairvoyants, including H. P. Blavatsky, C. W. Leadbeater, and Annie Besant, and is one of a series of 5 books dealing with our dimensions of consciousness and our role in the Scheme of Evolution.

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**MONDAYS: 3RD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH 7:00 PM** **BOARD MEETING**

Open to all members of the Detroit lodge. Please contact the President at least three days beforehand if you would like something added to the agenda.

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**TUESDAYS: 10:00 AM TO 3:00 PM** **BOOKSTORE HOURS**

The lodge is open to the public for bookstore hours, book browsing and conversation. Best time for members to visit the library!

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**TUESDAYS: 7:00 PM TO 8:30 PM** **MEMBERS' MEETING AND STUDY**

*Getting Acquainted with The Secret Doctrine*

Continue study of H. P. Blavatsky's remarkable work *The Secret Doctrine*. *The Secret Doctrine* is the basis for modern theosophy, its subject is the origin and essential nature of the universe and of humanity.

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**WEDNESDAYS: 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM** **OPEN DISCUSSION**

*Open Forum* facilitated by Gary Contesti and Galen Garst.

There typically is a short video, followed by an extended period for discussion.

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**THURSDAYS: 7:00 PM TO 8:00 PM** **GROUP MEDITATIONS**

Join us for group meditations **December 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>**.

*Please arrive by 6:50 p.m.*

*Theosophical Society in Detroit parking is limited. . .*

The **good news** is. . .the *Vinsetta Garage restaurant (next door)* offers

**free valet parking**

for people attending our programs.

Just tell the parking attendant that you are attending a program at the Theosophical Society in Detroit.