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# The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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## APRIL 2016

We are happy to continue our Friday night meetings.  
Movies or lectures will be presented, followed by thoughtful open discussions.

**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, browsing through the bookstore and library,  
and enjoying light refreshments.

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- Apr 1** *Compassion and the Theosophical Life* – Lecture by Winnie Wylie  
A major truth of Theosophy is that 'all of life is ONE'. This fact means that it is essential for us to develop compassion. The documentary "Peaceable Kingdom", a sensitive and sensible film, centers on the Farm Sanctuary for farm animals and our need to share compassion with them. The Peaceable Kingdom is here and now!
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- Apr 8** *Tarot : Intuition & The Living Image, a Jungian Approach* – Video/Lecture by Daya Kujansuu  
This video is made from the Holistic Highway to Wisdom DVD series by AVS Productions, produced by John H Addison. In this video Jennifer Sieck talks about tarot and how it relates to Jungian Psychology and intuition. Daya Kujansuu will provide additional insights.
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- Apr 15** *Unpacking the Parables: Jesus as a Wisdom Teacher* – Video facilitated by Ellen Byrne  
Dr. Ron Miller speaks at the Theosophical Society in America in 2010 on Unpacking the Parables: Jesus as a Wisdom Teacher. We're told that Jesus taught in parables. What is a parable and why is it such an effective teaching method? What do we learn about Jesus as a teacher and about his message from these parables?
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- Apr 22** *The Secret Doctrine In The Bhagavad Gita* – Lecture by Chris Fessler  
**THE MYSTERY OF THE TWO PATHS AND THE SECRET OF THE MOON GODS**  
This lecture will focus on Chapter 8 of the Bhagavad Gita and its enigmatic account of the Pathways taken by the Soul after death (verses 23 to 28), exploring the work of the Celestial Hierarchies and their relationship to the Elemental Beings of Nature. (The Secret Doctrine is, of course, a reference to Helena Petrovna Blavatsky's work.)
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- Apr 29** *Embracing Inner Peace* – Lecture by Mike Whitty  
Inner calm bring outer peace with family, neighbors, co-workers, community and the spiritually evolving possible human. Professor Mike Whitty (University of Michigan) has authored two books *At Work: Spirit Matters* and *Work and Spirit* - along with many journal articles and conference presentations. He has studied and spoken on spiritual eldering.
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- May 6** *White Lotus Day: Awakening to Higher Consciousness* – Video by Pablo Sender (Gary Contesti)
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***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 of Detroit.

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## **ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

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

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

**BOOK STUDY**

**NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 11**

***The Divine Plan* by Geoffrey A. Barborka**

*The Divine Plan* was written in the form of a commentary on H.P. Blavatsky's *Secret Doctrine* expressly for those who wish to read and gain a deeper understanding of the Secret Doctrine – presenting an exposition of the Doctrines of Esoteric Philosophy.

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**TUESDAYS: 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM**

**BOOK STUDY**

***Theosophy Explained* by Pestanji T. Pavri**

Theosophy is the wisdom underlying all religions when they are stripped of accretions and superstitions. It offers a philosophy which renders life intelligible and demonstrates that justice and love guide the cosmos. Its teachings aid the unfoldment of the latent spiritual nature in the human being, without dependence or fear.

Pestanji T. Pavri, Professor of Mathematics, an engineer by profession, and a theosophist. In this book, Pestanji presents a variety of theosophical subjects such as evolution and mans place in the universe in the form of Questions and Answers. The book has been very popular and continuously in print since the beginning of this century. It is readable but is also a valuable reference book.

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### **AUGUST 12 AND AUGUST 13, 2016 –HOLD THE DATES**

The Theosophical Society in Detroit is celebrating 100 years!

