
The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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JANUARY 2017

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.

Jan 6 *The Secret of the Adepts*

Video - James Phillips (Facilitated by Gary Contesti)

At this "taster" for the Secrets of the Adepts Workshop, you will be given secret knowledge possessed by the old Egyptian djedi, made famous in the Star Wars movies, about the true purpose of pyramids and why the Adepts became so accomplished in the production of piezoelectricity. Experience the 24-minute Heart Initiation which will rejuvenate your personal source of loving energy and expand your ability to experience unconditional love.

Jan 13 *The Magic of Spiritual Creativity*

Video - William Meader (Facilitated by Ellen Byrne)

What is spiritual creativity? The answer that William Meader suggests is that it represents any creative expression that supports the evolution of spirit. Whether discussing the creative potential existing within a human being, or the creative drive found within the ensouling life of an entire solar system, the esoteric tradition maintains that all grades of life are characteristically creative. From the perspective of a human being, this creative urge must be understood as a natural by-product of living a spiritual life. Spiritual creativity will always emerge when one aspires to live according to divine intention. Join us to discover more about your own spiritual creativity.

Jan 20 *Masters of Wisdom - The Mahatmas, Their Letters and The Path*

Video - Ed Abdill (Facilitated by Amy Lounsbery)

Who are the Masters of Wisdom about whom we hear so much? Ed Abdill brings these masters to life, shattering many misconceptions by allowing them to speak from their letters revealing who they are and what differentiates them from the average person. In their own words, they present some of their most important teachings, including their views on death and reincarnation, karma, and science. Ed Abdill is author of "The Secret Gateway—Modern Theosophy and the Ancient Wisdom Tradition" and "Masters of Wisdom: The Mahatmas, Their Letters, and The Path"

Jan 27 *Living Theosophy Series: The Secret Path*

Video - Pablo Sender (Facilitated by Mara Radzvickas)

Everything in the cosmos is subject to a process of evolution that takes eons to unfold. Most kingdoms of nature spontaneously follow this gradual growth, but human beings, by virtue of being endowed with a mind and free will, have the ability to influence the pace of this journey. The Theosophical teachings point to the existence of a path that can greatly accelerate the evolutionary process in those who are able to tread it.

Feb 03 *The Film: I Am* Produced and directed by Tom Shadyac, (Facilitated by Ellen Byrne)

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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

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

BOOK STUDY

NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 9

***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.

TUESDAYS: 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

MEMBER'S STUDY

***The Ancient Wisdom* by Annie Besant**

Theosophy is the wisdom underlying underpinnings of 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.

Annie Besant (October 1, 1847 - September 20, 1933) was the President of the Theosophical Society of India from 1907; founded Home Rule League in 1916 and demanded self rule in India. She became first woman president of the Indian National Congress. She was a prominent Theosophist, social reformer, political leader, women's rights activist, writer and orator. In the 1890s She wrote an enormous number of books and pamphlets on theosophy. She traveled (1926-27) in England and the United States with her protégé Jiddu Krishnamurti. Annie died in India in 1933 at the age of 86.

WEDNESDAYS: 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM SHARP

OPEN DISCUSSION

Open Forum facilitated by Gary Contesti

Gary Contesti is continuing the grand tradition of the Wednesday night open forum. Meetings involve a wide ranging exploration of theosophical writings and ideas, Christian Mysticism, astrology, Rosicrucian thought, and more.

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.

BOOKSTORE HOURS

TUESDAYS

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM