

PROGRAM OF LECTURES

Definition of meeting types and relevant guidelines

- ◆ **Public Meetings** – All members and the public are welcome to attend.
- ◆ **General Meetings** – For Perth members, with interested members of the public welcome to attend up to 4 meetings, with the objective to explore and confirm an interest in becoming a member of the TS. If after attending 4 meetings the person is not interested in becoming a member they are requested to restrict their visits to other options open to the public.
- ◆ **Members Only Meetings** – Are strictly for current Perth and visiting TS members only. Non-members will not be admitted to the meeting.

All sessions, unless otherwise stated, run from 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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FEBRUARY

<p>Tue 6 February General Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Diamond Consciousness, by Roberta Steedman</p> <p>Diamond Consciousness is the multifaceted, multidimensional consciousness all higher dimensional light beings possess... and is one that everyone here on Earth will eventually manifest in the coming Golden Age. The Diamond Consciousness state is embodied and promoted by the Avatars and the Ascended Masters who have all attained this level of consciousness through their training and spiritual disciplines. While everyone here on Earth is at a different level of awareness and understanding, all of us possess the innate capacity to refine ourselves to reveal this precious, inner jewel of wisdom and purity.</p>
<p>Tue 13 February General Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Importance of Practice on the Esoteric Path - Part 3, by James Kelly</p> <p>Is theoretical knowledge enough to liberate the human mind? Is intellectual understanding what the great teachers and sages of antiquity pronounced? When walking the esoteric path, one notices a very clear distinction between intellectual study and practical work. Both have their place in the timeless systems of self-transformation, yet one is often overlooked in today's age of information.</p>
<p>Tue 20 February General Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Power of Shapes that Surround Us, by Jean-Marie Gobet</p> <p>Two radiations, one cosmic and centripetal, and the other telluric and centrifugal, create on the ground a dynamic duality of the yin-yang type. Like glass prisms that receive, decompose, and diffract light, forms absorb cosmic-telluric radiations, saturate themselves with them, and re-emit them in their surroundings. The nature of a volume, its orientation, and its charge determine its influence. This volume affects more or less subtle planes, touching, according to the terminology of Jean de la Foye, the physical field, or the spiritual field.</p>
<p>Tue 27 February General Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Colour Therapy: An Uplifting Experience, by Angela Burchardt</p> <p>What is Colour Therapy? Learn about its multiple uses for a personal, uplifting experience. No matter where you are on your soul's journey, you can experience feeling a greater sense of well-being when you actively and consciously use the colours for personal healing and insight. Colour works with all healing modalities, creating balance for the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual bodies. It has the capacity to help raise consciousness and strengthen one's spiritual resolve.</p>

MARCH

<p>Tue 5 March General Meeting</p>	<p>Desiderata – Inherent Wisdom, by John Davey</p> <p>This classical poem contains timeless wisdom and is worth looking closely at line by line. This presentation seeks to do that. Audience participation is encouraged in terms of life experience.</p>
<p>Tue 12 March General Meeting</p>	<p>Astrology, by Margie Crocker</p> <p>Astrology has been used for thousands of years. Like everything in our universe, adaptations occur over time and we have a choice to adopt them. The outer planets (Uranus, Neptune and Pluto) are used only by some astrologers. What is their value and why are they beneficial to our lives? Also, the Nodes are now used to help understand what lessons we learned in our past life; and our lessons and goals in this life to complete unfinished business and make karmic progress. Let's explore these current trends.</p>
<p>Tue 19 March General Meeting</p>	<p>Theravada Buddhism, by Sue Lee</p> <p>Theravada Buddhism is the name of Buddhism's oldest school that still remains in practice. Its teachings are preserved in the Pali Canon, and this talk seeks to set the scene of those early days and to present some essential aspects of the teachings.</p>
<p>Tue 26 March General Meeting</p>	<p>NDEs and Sacred Scriptures: The Parallel Messaging, by Douglas Hodgson</p> <p>Professor Douglas Hodgson will examine the striking similarities and parallels between messaging found in the accounts of those who have written about their near-death experiences (NDEs) and that contained in the sacred scriptures of the world's greatest religions. The symmetrical and mutually reinforcing messaging is timeless in nature and is arguably more relevant today than in any previous period in human history, as Humanity faces existential threats to its survival.</p>

APRIL

<p>Tue 2 April General Meeting</p>	<p>The Secret Life of Plants, by Virginia Milner</p> <p>Force fields, Kirlian photography, humans and plants. Do plants respond to music, telepathy, attitude and the human aura? Please enjoy an interacting evening with Virginia, sharing and exploring this fascinating best seller, <i>"The Secret Life of Plants"</i>.</p>
<p>Tue 9 April General Meeting</p>	<p>A Synopsis of the Psychological Key of Interpretation of "The Secret Doctrine". Based on Pablo Sender's Work, <i>Approaching the Secret Doctrine – Its Teachings and Practical Application</i>, by Kerry Holly</p> <p>Section three of Pablo's study is devoted to the practical aspect of the teachings. It explores how the macroscopic principles found in The Secret Doctrine can be applied to the practice of meditation as well as to daily living. A special method of study that allows for an interpretation of metaphysical and cosmic teachings in terms of human consciousness, and how to apply this method to both the three fundamental propositions and the Stanzas of Dzyan.</p>

APRIL

Tue 16 April General Meeting	The Astral Light, Astral Shells and Mediumship , by Perry Coles <p>We often hear about the astral plane and astral travel. In early theosophical literature this plane was described as the "astral light". What types of beings inhabit the astral light and how do they interact with the living and our psychic environment? Theosophy also warns about the dangers of mediumship — what dangers exist in the astral light and why is mediumship to be avoided?</p>
Tue 23 April General Meeting	You, Consciousness and Artificial Intelligence , by Tina Hentisz <p>We are moving into a new time frame, new conditions and new challenges. Adaptation may be the name of the game because it seems evolution has thrown all of us into some deep waters. It is sink or swim. What is important now?</p>
Tue 30 April General Meeting	The Spiritual Meaning of the Twelve Labours of Hercules , by Tom Marcinkowski <p>This talk draws on the work of Alice A. Bailey to demonstrate that the story of Hercules and his labours is an allegory for initiation. The Twelve Labours represent the movement of the Sun through the twelve signs of the zodiac. This same process can be undergone psychologically, and represents the overcoming of form and the subjugation of matter: to gain "divine self-realisation".</p>

The Three Truths

There are three truths which are absolute and cannot be lost, but yet may remain silent for lack of speech.

- ☯ The Soul of man is immortal, and its future is the future of a thing whose growth and splendor has no limit.
- ☯ The principle which gives life dwells in us, and without us, is undying and eternally beneficent, is not heard, or seen, or smelt, but is perceived by the man who desires perception.
- ☯ Each man is his own absolute law-giver, the dispenser of glory or gloom to himself; the decreer of his life, his reward, his punishment.

**These truths, which are as great as is life itself, are as simple as the simplest mind of man.
Feed the hungry with them.**

(From *The Idyll of the White Lotus*, by Mabel Collins)

