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# The Theosophical Society in Detroit

Chartered in 1916 as a Branch of the Theosophical Society in America

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## OUR MISSION is . . .

to encourage open-minded inquiry into world religions, philosophy, science and the arts  
in order to understand the wisdom of the ages, respect the unity of all life,  
and help people explore spiritual self-transformation.

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## OCTOBER 2014

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

### \$5 Donation

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Programs begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.

From 6:30 to 6:55 is time for socializing, browsing through the bookstore and library,  
and enjoying light refreshments.

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### Oct 3 *How Quantum Activism Can Save Civilization*

#### VIDEO - Amit Goswami

Not only are science and religion compatible, but that quantum physics proves the existence of God. In this new book, Goswami moves beyond theory into the realm of action. He asserts that quantum thinking is striking the death blow to scientific materialism; that quantum thinking allows us to break from past bad habits and bring us into free will and possibilities.

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### Oct 10 *The Core of Transformation*

#### VIDEO - Vic Hao Chin

A presentation of the 127th summer (2013) national convention of The Theosophical Society in America looks at the ways in which we are transformed through service to others. Vicente Hao Chin, Jr. is past president of the Theosophical Society in the Philippines and founder and chairman of the Golden Link School.

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### Oct 17 *Yoga and God Realization*

#### LECTURE - Robert Taylor

Yoga literally means to link the self with the divine. There are various yoga systems to attain this goal, blessing the practitioner with particular aspects of God Realization. Robert will discuss these yoga systems, describing the 3 main types of realization, and how one can be God realized, even in this one lifetime. Robert Taylor has been a lifetime practitioner of Bhakti Yoga. He lived as a Hindu monk for 7 years and has been a student and teacher of Vedic philosophy for over 40 years. He is the author of *Into the Mystical Ancient Wisdom for our Troubled Times*. He cohorts and coproduces the popular metaphysical TV show, *Out of the Ordinary*, with his wife, Pamela.

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### Oct 24 *Manifest Destiny: Theosophical History as Spiritual Narrative*

#### VIDEO - Michael Gomes

Historian Michael Gomes suggests that we look at the Founders of the Theosophical Society in a new way: as spiritual metaphors. Mr. Gomes is the head librarian at the Emily Sellon Memorial Library in New York City.

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### Oct 31 *Closed for Halloween*

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### Nov 7 *Karma and Rebirth in Buddhism* – VIDEO - John Cianciosi

You can obtain more details from our web site: <http://tsdetroit.org>



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*We are making progress with the clean-up from the flood. We appreciate the donations that were made so that we could clean the carpet, replace bathroom floors, and paint. We still have more on our "wish list" and any contribution (big and small) will assist in refurbishing the TSD!*

***If you would like to contribute to the effort, we are conducting "Project Days".***

*For more information go to [http://www.tsdetroit.org/contact\\_us.htm](http://www.tsdetroit.org/contact_us.htm)*

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### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

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

**BOOK STUDY**

**OCT 13**

***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 the purpose of those who wish to read and gain a deeper understanding of the Secret Doctrine – presenting an exposition of the Doctrines of the Esoteric Philosophy. Please call with questions, Marina at (248) 545-8553.

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

**Serious Studies in *The Secret Doctrine*, Esoteric Insights and Spiritual Practice**

We invite all serious students of the ancient wisdom to join us in an in depth study of The Secret Doctrine by Helena Petrovna Blavatsky. We will work with a range of print materials as well as audio-visual, as we continue our ongoing quest for insight and understanding. Questions, call Mara at (248) 545-1961.

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

**STUDY GROUP**

**Study Group: *The Tree of Life***

Take a deeper exploration of the Tree of Life. Learn how to navigate on the four planes using materials on kabbalah, yoga, astrology, and eastern philosophy. Questions, call Daya at (248) 545-1961.

**THURSDAYS: (2ND AND 4TH THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH) 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM**

**STUDY GROUP**

**OCT 10 AND OCT 24**

**Study Group: *Inner Worlds: A Theosophical Society Perspective***

In this series, Winnie will present an overview of the hidden side of life, and discuss such concepts as the etheric double, the chakras, kundalini and the development of the inner life in pursuit of self transformation. Facilitator is Winnie Wylie. Call (734) 663-6796 for details.

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***Theosophical Society of 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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**What are the Three Objects?**

*From The Key to Theosophy,*  
by H. P. Blavatsky, 1889

1. Brotherhood of man, without distinction of race, color, religion, or social position
  2. The serious study of the ancient world-religions for purposes of comparison and the selection there from of universal ethics
  3. The study and development of the latent divine powers in man
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