## The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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# **May 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.

- May 6 White Lotus Day: Awakening to Higher Consciousness Video by Pablo Sender (Gary Contesti) Our materialistic culture doesn't give us the tools we need to stimulate the awakening of our spiritual consciousness. Our daily life tends to anchor us to the personal consciousness. Explore a Theosophical approach to reaching our higher consciousness.
- May 13 Theosophy and the Coming New Age Lecture by David Zimmerman
  The New discoveries of science are beginning to bridge the gap between Religion and Science and of course that was the whole idea behind Blavatsky's Classic "Isis Unveiled." The coming New Age (as promised by such great theosophists such as C.W, Leadbeater and Alice Bailey) is becoming a reality. David's lecture will focus on this fact and other things that are beginning to unfold in the Modern World. As we all look forward to the year 2025, let us ponder this important New World Renaissance.
- May 20 *Grace and Gratitude: Secrets of a Joy-Filled Life* Video by Andrew Vidich (Daya Kujansuu) In today's fast-paced and stress-filled world many of us find ourselves living lives of quiet desperation. Yet enjoying a life filled with inner joy is not only our birthright—it's why we are here. A great teacher once asked, "Is it the happy people who are grateful or the grateful people who are happy?" How can we make each day one rich with joy and inner peace through the gift of gratitude?

Andrew Vidich is an author, educator, and international speaker with a Ph.D. in Comparative Religion and a specialization in Sufi Studies. He has taught religion at Manhattan College and Iona College and is the CEO of the Leadership Institute Inc., a consulting firm engaging in teaching leadership skills for the 21st century as well as the a founding member of the Interfaith Council of New York. He is the author of Love is a Secret: The Mystic Quest for Divine and most recently Light Upon Light: Five Master Paths to Awaken the Mindful Self.

May 27 The Root of All Religions – Lecture by Winnie Wylie The period of the development of religion and the invention of money was the same. Is there a spiritual reason behind this?. Let us explore the root of all religions in this delightful presentation by Winnie Wylie.

June 3 Harmonizing the Human and the Divine in Ourselves Video by Joy Mills (Gary Contesti)

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

The *good news* is. . .*the Vinsetta Garage restaurant (next door)* offers <u>free valet parking</u> 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

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

BOOK STUDY

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### NEXT MEETING IS MAY 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 *Theosophy Explained* by Pestanji T. Pavri

Theosophy is the wisdom underlying all religions when they are stripped of superstition. 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 human beings, 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.

> Make sure you check out the Theosophy Wiki at http://www.theosophy.wiki.

The site has had millions of hits and the content has steadily been expanding due to the diligent work of Pablo Sender, Janet Kerschner, and over 60 TS members worldwide.

# AUGUST 12 AND AUGUST 13, 2016 -HOLD THE DATES

The Theosophical Society in Detroit is celebrating 100 years!

