

THE SCHOOL OF THE WISDOM

The Theosophical Society Adyar, Chennai 600020, INDIA

November 2018 – January 2019

The School of the Wisdom aims at bringing each student to survey life 'from the centre', which is intuitive awareness. An intense sense of Life must always accompany every true student. There can be no Wisdom without an ever increasing sense of Wonder.

Essential in the progress towards Wisdom is a growing intimacy with all aspects of Nature. The message which each tree, flower, animal, meadow, sea, sky, and cloud has, must be listened to and understood.

SESSIONS



Higher Consciousness - Its Nature and Awakening Director: Dr Pablo Sender, USA 19 to 30 November 2018



Living Theosophy in the 21st Century Director: Mr Jacques Mahnich, France 3 to 15 December 2018



Meditation in the Light of Theosophy Director: Ms Tran-Thi-Kim-Dieu, France 10 to 26 January 2019

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Higher Consciousness - Its Nature and Awakening

Director: Dr Pablo Sender



Who are we? What is the purpose of life? How do we actualize our potential? These are questions that thoughtful people have asked since time immemorial. This session of the School of the Wisdom will present a comprehensive study of the teachings of H. P. Blavatsky and her Adept teachers on the nature of our spiritual essence, its evolutionary unfoldment, and what we can do in daily life to consciously participate in this cosmic process. The first part of the course will focus on the metaphysics and philosophy of the subject, while the second part will explore the practical application of the teachings, including exercises that lead to self-knowledge through awareness and meditation.

Recommended reading: The following books by H. P. Blavatsky: *Key to Theosophy, The Voice of the Silence,* and *Esoteric Instructions* (compiled by Michael Gomes); and *Evolution of the Higher Consciousness* by Pablo Sender.

Pablo Sender, PhD, joined the Theosophical Society (TS) in 1996 in his native Argentina. He has lived and worked at the international headquarters of the TS in Adyar, India, and at the national center of the TS in America. He is currently at the Krotona Institute of Theosophy in Ojai, California, where he works in Theosophical education. An international speaker, he has presented programs and retreats in India, Europe, Oceania, and the three Americas, and has written books in Spanish and English. His latest book is *Evolution of the Higher Consciousness*, which will be the basis for this session of the School of the Wisdom.

3 to 15 December 2018

Living Theosophy in the 21st Century

Director: Mr Jacques Mahnich

We are living at a time where the evolution of our human civilizations is accelerating. Values, ethics &

community's life models are changing rapidly. Science and Technologies are reshaping the landscape of our human development. Ancient Wisdom teachings are more than ever a robust guide on an ever-moving path. Their application to day-to-day life requires an adaptation to the new challenges. This session offers an assessment of the current world situation. It reviews the main principles of the Ancient Wisdom, applied to our human lives; and their role in transforming our existence, thus helping us on our evolutionary Path.

Recommended reading: *The Key to Theosophy*, by H.P. Blavatsky *Human Regeneration*, by Radha Burnier *Science and the Sacred*, by Ravi Ravindra *Glimpses into the Psychology of Yoga*, by I.K. Taimni

Jacques Mahnich spent his professional career in Aeronautical Engineering Industry, specialized in Aircraft Powerplants Systems. He is a regular member of the French Theosophical Society, Adyar, since 1978, and of TOS-France. He is the founder of a Theosophical Study Group in the South of France, and he supports regular theosophical training courses and conferences. He is a member of ITC (International Theosophical Conferences Inc.), a worldwide lecturer, the co-founder of a web blog dedicated to the search for the origin of the Stanzas of Dzyan http://prajnaquest.fr/blog, and the co-founder of a web-based Project http://theoscience.org which publish a quarterly review of Researches Relevant to Theosophy.



10 to 26 January 2019

Meditation in the Light of Theosophy

Director: Ms Tran-Thi-Kim-Dieu, France

Although meditation covers a wide range of methods, in the essentials they aim at one



direction: to master the mind, at first. Understanding and practicing meditation would further lead to modify one's own paradigm, and thus to transform one's way of living. Through awareness, one can heal oneself and the world. This would lead to the thorough assimilation of the entire process of meditation, and particularly of HBP Meditation Diagram.

Ms Tran-Thi-Kim-Dieu post-graduated in pharmaceutical technology. She has been exploring Eastern philosophies and religions in parallel with scientific ideas. She is most drawn to the philosophy of Nagarjuna and Krishnamurti. She is a member of the TS since 1972 and has been the General Secretary of TS France. She is the Chairperson of the European Federation since 1995. She has travelled and lectured all over the world and regularly conducts meditation retreats in Europe.

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Application to the School of the Wisdom

- \checkmark The Application form can be downloaded from the TS website (Learn>).
- ✓ Applications, to be emailed to: study.hq@ts-adyar.org
- ✓ Students may register for all or some of the sessions and are expected to attend all the classes in the session chosen.
- ✓ TS workers at Adyar: Applications should be made well in advance, providing full details and suitable recommendation.
- ✓ For accommodation in the Society's premises, please apply to the <u>acco.hq@ts-adyar.org</u>.

Those members who wish to stay for the International Convention (31 December 2018 to 5 January 2019) are requested to register separately.