



#### UNIVERSAL PRAYER

O Hidden Life, vibrant in every atom;  
O Hidden Light, shining in every creature;  
O Hidden Love, embracing all in Oneness;  
May all who feel themselves as one with Thee,  
Know they are therefore one with every other.

#### MISSION

Mission of the Theosophical Society is to serve humanity  
by cultivating an ever-deepening understanding and  
realization of the Ageless Wisdom, spiritual self-  
transformation, and the unity of all life.



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# 149<sup>th</sup> International Convention

31<sup>st</sup> DEC 2024 to 4<sup>th</sup> JAN 2025

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## Practical Theosophy and the Art of Self-Transformation



**THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY**  
📍 International Headquarters  
Adyar, Chennai, India



Tuesday, 31 December	Wednesday, 1 January	Thursday, 2 January	Friday, 3 January	Saturday, 4 January
3:00 PM CHALICE CEREMONY by the Order of the Round Table BREAKFAST 31 December 8:30 AM on 31 December <b>OPENING OF THE CONVENTION</b> Prayers of the Religions, Greetings for the Convention, Invocation Group photo 9:30 AM <b>PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS</b> "Adyar Today and Future" Report of the TS worldwide Tim Boyd, International President 11:00 AM Indian Council meeting - I 11:00 AM INAUGURATION OF ARCHIVES AND LIBRARY EXHIBITIONS 12:00-1:30 PM LUNCH	6:00 Bharata Samaj Puja 6:00 Silent Walking Meditation BREAKFAST 8:30 to 9:30 AM Universal Prayer <b>SHORT TALKS (2)</b> "The Alchemy of Theosophy", Linda Oliveira "Theosophy - The Philosopher's Stone", Shikhar Agnihotri 10:00 AM <b>Indian Section Convention - I</b> Inaugural Address, Tim Boyd "State of Indian Section", by Pradeep Gohil Treasurer's Report 12:00-1:30 PM LUNCH 1:00 PM TOS India Executive (mbros) 1:30-3:00 PM Art Exhibitions open AED Olcott Bungalow open 9AM-5PM Visiting batches to BMAD by request 1:30 PM VISIT to SWC 3:00 PM <b>WORKSHOPS</b> * Invoking the Future Garden, Olcott B * Theosophical Education, Sonal M, BB * Forum Theatre, Yugesh R, BB 4:00 PM <b>SNACKS</b> 5:00 PM <b>PUBLIC LECTURE</b> "Growing the Third Ear under the Great Astral Mother Tree" Christine Ödlund, Artist, Sweden DINNER 7:45-9:00 PM <b>POETRY CIRCLE AND AI TRANSLATION DEMO</b> WFYT-World Feder. of Young Theosophists	6:00 Bharata Samaj Puja 6:00 Silent Walking Meditation BREAKFAST 8:30 to 9:30 AM Universal Prayer <b>DEVOTIONAL MEETING</b> "Temple of Light", Chandrika Mehta 10:00 AM <b>DIALOGUE</b> "Can Theosophy be Transformation?" Tim Boyd & Pedro Oliveira 11:00 AM <b>DISCUSSION GROUPS</b> 12:00-1:30 PM LUNCH 1:00 PM Indian Council meeting -II 1:30 PM Bharata Samaj Association 1:30-3:00 PM Art Exhibitions open AED Olcott Bungalow open 9AM-5PM Visiting batches to BMAD by request 1:30 PM VISIT to Adyar Theos. Academy 1:30 PM Garden Walk to Olcott Bungalow 3:00 PM <b>MINI-TALKS</b> Vignesh R, Merike Martsepp Svyatoslav Lipsky, Catalina Isaza-Cantor 4:00 PM <b>SNACKS</b> 5:00 PM <b>THEOSOPHY-SCIENCE LECTURE</b> "Science of the Sacred: Water's Transformative Power" Alok Aurovillian, Water Science Researcher DINNER 7:45-9:30 PM <b>NADAM DANCE</b> Nathan Academy of Dance and Music	6:00 Bharata Samaj Puja 6:00 Silent Walking Meditation BREAKFAST 8:30 to 9:30 AM Universal Prayer <b>THEOSOPHICAL ORDER OF SERVICE</b> Presentation by Nancy Seccrest 10:00 AM <b>Indian Section Convention - II</b> Moderator Deepa Padhi Mildred Joshi Smitapragyan Patro Arunima Baruah M. S. Sridhara Sushma Srivastava 12:00-1:30 PM LUNCH 1:00 TOS India Annual General Body 1:30-3:00 Indian S. Executive Committ. 1:30-3:00 PM Art Exhibitions open AED Olcott Bungalow open 9AM-5PM Visiting batches to BMAD by request 1:30 PM Garden Walk to Olcott Bungalow 3:00 PM <b>THEOSOPHY AND ART</b> Elif Kamisli and Anupama Gaur 4:00 PM <b>SNACKS</b> 5:00 PM <b>BESANT LECTURE</b> Thiru R. N. Ravi Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu DINNER 7:45-9:00 PM <b>EVENING PROGRAM</b> Members' Talent show	6:00 Bharata Samaj Puja 6:00 Silent Walking Meditation BREAKFAST 8:30 to 9:30 AM Universal Prayer <b>SYMPOSIUM</b> Moderator Sabine van Osta Krista Umbjaer Richard Sell Deepa Padhi 10:00 AM <b>OLCOTT SCHOOL NEW BUILDING DEDICATION</b> Buses to Olcott School from 9.30 AM onwards 12:00-1:30 PM LUNCH 1:30-3:00 PM Art Exhibitions open AED Olcott Bungalow open 9AM-5PM Visiting batches to BMAD by request 2:00 PM Admission of New Members HQ Hall, address by Tim Boyd 3:00 PM <b>WORLD CONGRESS &amp; WFYT</b> Invitation to the 12 <sup>th</sup> World Congress, WFYT update 4:00 PM <b>SNACKS</b> 5:00 PM <b>PRESIDENT'S LECTURE</b> "Spirituality and the Practical World" Tim Boyd, International President 6:00 PM Closing & Vote of Thanks DINNER




## CONVENTION THEME ‘Practical Theosophy And the Art of Self-Transformation’

### President's Message

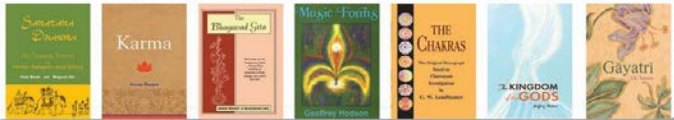
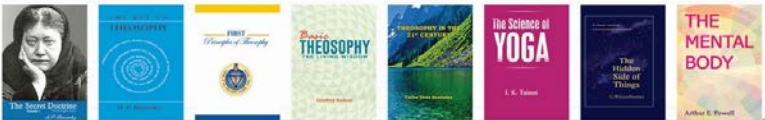
*For some the Ageless Wisdom is a science, for others it is more related to intuition, creativity, and the feeling of art, to others it is a mystery – grand beyond the capacities of human conception.*

*But practical? Spirit, and the transformation it invokes, are not practical in the normal sense. Certainly results can be seen, but the mechanism behind them remains hidden. The spiritual life relates to presence. Activity is a byproduct.*

*Tim Boyd*


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### TIMES IN THE PROGRAM

Times mentioned in the Program are  
in IST (Indian Standard Time)

For example:

**8:30 AM IST = 3:00 AM GMT**  
**GMT is –5.30 from the IST**

## Monday, 30 December 2024

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| 8.30 AM | GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE TS..... <i>Library, Conf. Hall</i><br><i>(For members of the General Council only)</i>   |
| 3.00 PM | CHALICE CEREMONY..... <i>Headquarters Hall</i><br>Order of the Round Table<br><i>Delegates can watch the Ceremony and</i><br><i>are requested to be seated by 2.45 PM</i> |
| 4.00 PM | Order of the Round Table Council..... <i>Headquarters Hall</i><br><i>(For members of the RT Council only)</i>   |
| 5.00 PM | Inauguration of the Indian Canteen..... <i>Bhojanasala</i>  |

Read from the Information Booklet about  
the coupons for the BCL Canteen under chapter Meals

### INDIAN CANTEEN TIMINGS

**From 30 Dec Dinner to 5 Jan Lunch**

05:30 am – 06:00 am	Coffee & Tea*
06:45 am – 08:00 am	Breakfast
12:00 noon – 01:30 pm	Lunch
04:00 pm – 04:30 pm	Snacks**
06:45 pm – 07:45 pm	Dinner

\*On payment of Rs.10/-

\*\*Except on 31st

### LEADBEATER CHAMBERS TIMINGS

**From 30 Dec Dinner to 5 Jan Lunch**

07:00 am – 08:15 am	Breakfast
12:00 noon – 01:30 pm	Lunch
04:00 pm – 04:30 pm	Snacks
06:15 pm – 07:30 pm	Dinner

# The Renaissance of Art at Adyar



## The Divine Hidden in Daily Life

Theosophical Society

OPENING  
Tuesday, December 31, 2024  
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
Headquarters Building

EXHIBITION HOURS  
Daily through January 5, 2025  
1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

## Tuesday, 31 December 2024

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| 6.00 AM  | Bharata Samaj Puja ..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i>   |
| 6.00 AM  | Silent Walking Meditation, Ven. Ananda Olande..... <i>by 6 AM at LBC</i>   |
| 8.30 AM  | OPENING OF THE CONVENTION..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br>Prayers of the Religions, Universal Prayer, Greetings,<br>Opening by the International President, Group Photo   |
| 9.30 AM  | “ADYAR TODAY AND FUTURE” ..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br>Address and Report of the TS worldwide 2023-24<br>Tim Boyd, <i>International President, TS Adyar</i>  |
| 11.00 AM | INDIAN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING —I..... <i>Library Conference Hall</i><br>(For members of the Council only)   |
| 11.00 AM | INAUGURATION OF ART AND MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS..... <i>HQs building</i><br>1. Art Conservation Laboratory: “The Divine Hidden in Daily Life”<br>2. Blavatsky Museum: Objects of historical interest  |
| 11.40 AM | OPENING OF THE STALLS..... <i>Enquiry Office</i><br>Olcott Education Society (OES)<br>Besant Memorial Animal Dispensary (BMAD)   |
| 2.00 PM  | INAUGURATION OF EXHIBITIONS AT ADYAR LIBRARY... <i>Library building</i><br>1. Surendra Narayan Archives:<br>“H.P.B.’s Paintings, Satirical Sketches, and Doodles”<br>2. Display Room:<br>“Kanjur and Tanjur: The Holy Books of Tibetan Buddhism” |
| 3.00 PM  | RECEPTION..... <i>Near Admin building</i>  |
| 5.00 PM  | <b>PUBLIC LECTURE</b> ..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br><b>“The Value of Joy in Self-Transformation”</b><br><b>Mr Kurt Leland, <i>International Speaker, USA</i></b>   |
| 7.45 PM  | RITUAL OF THE MYSTIC STAR..... <i>Headquarters Hall</i><br><i>Delegates can watch the Ceremony and are requested to be seated by 7.35 PM</i>   |

## Workshops: Wednesday, 1 Jan, 3—4 PM

### WORKSHOP I: “INVOKING THE FUTURE GARDEN”

OLCOTT BUNGALOW  
JOSS BROOKS AND Adyar Eco Development Team

{Buses will help reach the place between 2.30-3 PM}

Inauguration of the Olcott Bungalow Blue Green Centre for transformational environmental education, ecological restoration and training, along with a tour of the Bungalow and the area around it, and interactions with Joss Brooks and his team.

### WORKSHOP II: “THEOSOPHICAL EDUCATION —THE ART OF LIVING AND LEARNING”

BLAVATSKY BUNGALOW, UPSTAIRS  
Sonal Murali, Director, Adyar Theosophical Academy

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Self-directed and child-centred learning allows for nurturing curiosity, invoking a sense of wonder in children to help build creative thinking and experience the joy of learning and a lifetime of education. Join us as we share inspiring stories from our experience of learning and growing through transformative education.

### WORKSHOP III: “EXPANDING PERSPECTIVES THROUGH FORUM THEATRE”

BLAVATSKY BUNGALOW, DOWNSTAIRS HALL  
Yugesh Ramachandran, Facilitator, TS in India

Forum Theatre is a form of theatre performance/dialogue where the audience can also participate and be involved in the story

It usually explores a complex social issue or topic as follows -

1. A short scene is performed - without an ending
2. A moderator invites audience members to pause the performance wherever they wish, and suggest what the actors should say
3. Actors restart the scene - this time pausing whenever audience has suggestions

## Wednesday, 1 January 2025

6.00 AM	Bharata Samaj Puja ..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i>
6.00 AM	Silent Walking Meditation, Ven. Ananda Olande..... <i>by 6 AM at LBC</i>
8.30 AM	SHORT LECTURES..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i>  “The Alchemy of Theosophy” <i>Linda Oliveira, TS in Australia</i>  “Theosophy – The Philosopher’s Stone” <i>Shikhar Agnihotri, Assisting Executive to GM, Adyar</i>
10.00 AM	INDIAN SECTION CONVENTION —I..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i>  Inaugural Address <i>Tim Boyd, International President</i>  “State of The Indian Section” <i>Pradeep Gohil, President, Indian Section</i>  Treasurer’s Report, V. Narayanan, <i>Treasurer of the Section</i>
1.00 PM	TOS India Executive Committee Meeting..... <i>Headquarters Hall</i> <i>(For TOS India Executive members only)</i>
1.30—3.00 PM	Exhibitions are open
1.30 PM	VISIT TO SOCIAL WELFARE CENTRE (SWC)..... <i>Adjacent to Main Gate</i> Buses from 1.00 PM onwards <i>Cultural Activities by SWC and Vocational Training Centre</i>
3 PM	WORKSHOP I..... <i>Olcott Bungalow</i>
3 PM	WORKSHOP II..... <i>Blavatsky Bungalow upstairs</i>
3 PM	WORKSHOP III..... <i>Blavatsky Bungalow downstairs hall</i>
5.00 PM	<b>PUBLIC LECTURE</b> ..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> <b>“Growing the Third Ear under the Great Astral Mother Tree — Art in Relation to Theosophy”</b> <b>Christine Ödlund, Artist, Sweden</b>
7.45 PM	EVENING PROGRAM..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> Poetry Circle and AI Translation Demo for World Congress <i>World Federation of Young Theosophists</i>



## THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

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*Convention Theme:*  
Practical Theosophy  
&  
the Art of Self-Transformation

Chief Guest



**THIRU R.N. RAVI**  
HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF TAMIL NADU

BESANT LECTURE  
On Thursday, 2nd January 2025  
@ 5 pm  
at Adyar Theatre

Mr. Tim Boyd  
International President, TS Adyar

Dr. Deepa Padhi  
International Vice President, TS Adyar

Invitees are requested to be seated by 4.30 pm

## Thursday, 2 January 2025

6.00 AM	Bharata Samaj Puja ..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i>
6.00 AM	Silent Walking Meditation, Ven. Ananda Olande..... <i>by 6 AM at LBC</i>
8.30 AM	DEVOTIONAL MEETING..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i> Chandrika Mehta, <i>TS in India</i>
10.00 AM	DIALOGUE ..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> "Theosophy, the Theosophical Society, and the World" Tim Boyd, <i>International President</i> Pedro Oliveira, <i>TS in Australia</i>
11.00 AM	DISCUSSION GROUPS..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i>
1.00 PM	INDIAN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING —II..... <i>Library Conference Hall</i> (For members of the Council only)
1.30 PM	Bharata Samaj Association, General Body..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i>
1.30—3.00 PM	Exhibitions are open
1.30 PM	VISIT TO ADYAR THEOSOPHICAL ACADEMY (ATA)..... <i>Besant Gardens</i> "Wonderscape" showcasing student-led projects and presentations
1.30 PM	GARDEN WALK TO OLCOTT BUNGALOW..... <i>From Banyan Tree Circle</i>
3.00 PM	MINI-TALKS..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> [1] "Hope" Vighnesh RVS, <i>TS in India, Resident at Adyar</i> [2] "Small Steps Matter", Merike Martsepp, <i>TS in Estonia, Resident at Adyar</i> [3] "Inner Unfoldment and the Theosophical Life" Svyatoslav Lipsky, <i>TS in Russia</i> [4] "The Art of Self-Mastery" Catalina Isaza-Cantor, <i>TS in Colombia, Resident at Adyar</i>
5.00 PM	BESANT LECTURE..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> <b>Thiru R. N. Ravi</b> <b>Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu</b>
7.45 PM	NADAM DANCE..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> <i>Narthan Academy of Dance and Music</i>

Thursday, 2 January 7.45 PM



## NADAM DANCE

NADAM, an acronym for “Narthan Academy of Dance and Music”, was founded in the year 1994 by Nandini K Mehta & K Murali Mohan – the well-known Kathak exponents of Bangalore. Since its inception, it has witnessed a rise in its popularity in leaps and bounds. The academy works to showcase India’s Classical Dance & Music Forms and helps preserve them as living traditions.



### Guru: Nandini K Mehta

Nandini Mehta an established danseuse proficient in the fields Kathak and Bharatanatyam, Nandini received her initial training in Bharatanatyam under renowned gurus Srimati Chandrabhaga Devi and Prof. US Krishna Rao, Guru Smt. Narmada, Guru Smt. Bhanumati.

### Guru: K Murali Mohan

Murali an established Kathak exponent has created ripples in the art circles. Devotion, dedication and innovation being his first nature, winning encomiums and accolades from the audiences and the press have become a way of life. The dancer, an epitome of grace, creativity and authenticity,

incessantly portray elegance and élan in every performance.

Friday, 3 January 2025

6.00 AM	Bharata Samaj Puja ..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i>
6.00 AM	Silent Walking Meditation, Ven. Ananda Olande..... <i>by 6 AM at LBC</i>
8.30 AM	THEOSOPHICAL ORDER OF SERVICE (TOS)..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> Presentation by Nancy Secrest <i>TOS International Secretary, Resident at Adyar</i>
10.00 AM	INDIAN SECTION CONVENTION —II..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> Opening and closing remarks, Deepa Padhi, V-P, as Chairperson [1] Who am I ?, Milind Joshi [2] How to Know Thyself, Smitapragyan Patro [3] Knowing is Loving, Arunima Baruah [4] Liberation by Renunciation, M. S. Sridhara [5] Self-Realisation through knowing Thyself, Sushma Srivastava
1:00 PM	TOS INDIA Annual General Body..... <i>Headquarters Hall</i>
1.30—3.00 PM	Exhibitions are open
1.30 PM	Indian Section Executive Committee..... <i>Library Conference Hall</i> (For members of the EC only)
1.30 PM	GARDEN WALK TO OLCOTT BUNGALOW..... <i>From Banyan Tree Circle</i>
3.00 PM	THEOSOPHY AND ART..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> “The Divine Hidden in Daily Life” Elif Kamisli, <i>Exhibition Manager, Turkey</i> “Preserving the Legacy; the Art Conservation Project for TS Museum Art Collection” Anupama Gaur, <i>Consultant Conservator, India</i>
5.00 PM	THEOSOPHY-SCIENCE LECTURE..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> “Science of the Sacred: Water's Transformative Power” Alok Aurovillian, <i>Water Science Researcher</i>
7.45 PM	MEMBERS TALENT SHOW..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i> Artistic Sharing by the Delegates Vinay Patri, <i>Moderator, TS in India</i>

Saturday, 4 January at 10.00 AM

OLCOTT SCHOOL  
NEW BUILDING DEDICATION

At Besant Gardens  
Buses start going 9.30 AM



Saturday, 4 January at 5.00 PM

PUBLIC LECTURE  
BY THE PRESIDENT

“Spirituality and the  
Practical World”

TIM BOYD  
*International President,  
Theosophical Society, Adyar*

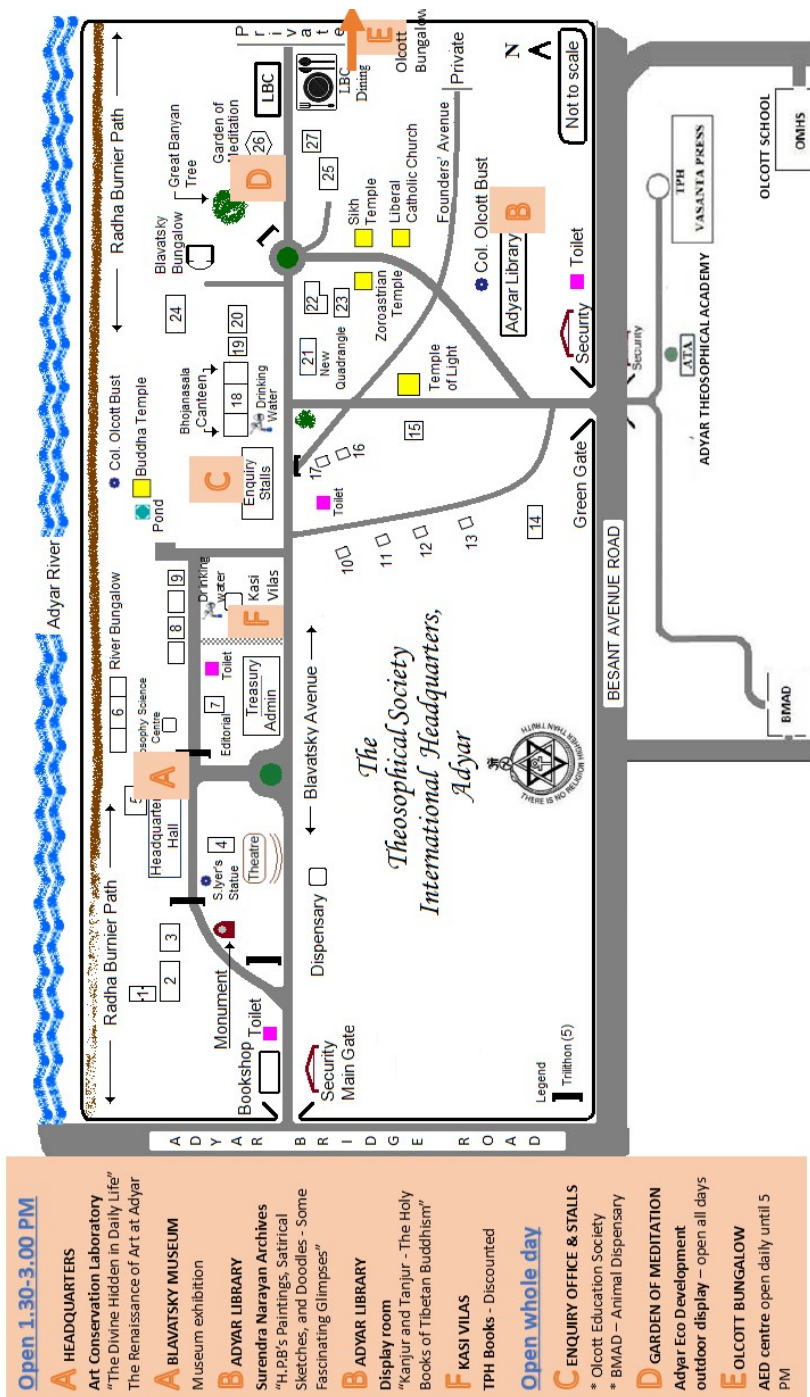


Saturday, 4 January 2025

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| 6.00 AM      | Bharata Samaj Puja ..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i>   |
| 6.00 AM      | Silent Walking Meditation, Ven. Ananda Olande..... <i>by 6 AM at LBC</i>   |
| 8.30 AM      | SYMPOSIUM..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br>Sabine van Osta, Moderator, <i>TS in Belgium</i><br><br>"The Human Mind, This Unknown Laboratory"<br>Krista Umbjärv, <i>TS in France</i><br><br>"The Blossoming of Intuition"<br>Richard Sell, <i>TS in New Zealand</i><br><br>"Self-Transformation through Values"<br>Deepa Padhi, <i>International Vice-President</i> |
| 10.30 AM     | OLCOTT SCHOOL NEW BUILDING DEDICATION..... <i>Besant Gardens</i><br>Buses start going about 9.50 AM  |
| 1.30—3.00 PM | Exhibitions are open   |
| 2.00 PM      | ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS..... <i>Headquarters Hall</i>   |
| 3.00 PM      | WORLD CONGRESS AND WFYT..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br>Invitation to the 12th World Congress<br>Update of the World Federation of Young Theosophists   |
| 5.00 PM      | <b>PUBLIC LECTURE BY THE PRESIDENT</b> ..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br><b>“Spirituality and the Practical World”</b><br><b>Tim Boyd</b><br><i>International President, TS Adyar</i>  |
| 6.00 PM      | CLOSING OF THE CONVENTION..... <i>Adyar Theatre</i><br>Tim Boyd, <i>International President</i><br>Vote of Thanks, Shikhar Agnihotri, <i>Convention Officer</i>  |

Sunday, 5 January 2025

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| 6.00 AM | Bharata Samaj Puja..... <i>Bharata Samaj Temple</i> |
| 6:30 AM | Breakfast   |
| 12 Noon | Lunch included in the package                       |



## EXHIBITIONS

- A. HEADQUARTERS —ART CONSERVATION LAB.....1.30 - 3.00 PM**  
"The Divine Hidden in Daily Life"  
The Renaissance of Art at Adyar
- A. HEADQUARTERS—BLAVATSKY MUSEUM.....1.30 - 3.00 PM**  
Objects of Historical Interest
- B. ADYAR LIBRARY—SURENDRA NARAYAN ARCHIVES...1.30-3.00 PM**  
"H.P.B.'s Paintings, Satirical Sketches, and Doodles  
- Some Fascinating Glimpses"
- B. ADYAR LIBRARY—DISPLAY ROOM.....1.30 - 3.00 PM**  
"Kanjur and Tanjur - The Holy Books of Tibetan Buddhism"
- D. GARDEN OF MEDITATION**  
Adyar Eco Development (AED) outdoor display .....open all days
- E. OLCOTT BUNGALOW— BLUE-GREEN CENTRE**  
Adyar Eco Development Centre .....open daily 9 AM - 5 PM

## STALLS

- F. BOOKS WITH DISCOUNTS AT KASI VILAS**  
TPH = Theosophical Publishing House  
Kasi Vilas near Admin building
- C. ENQUIRY OFFICE STALLS**  
OES = Olcott Education Society  
BMAD = Besant Memorial Animal Dispensary



## THE ADYAR LIBRARY AND RESEARCH CENTRE

### Exhibition on *Kanjur & Tanjur* - The Holy Books of Tibetan Buddhism

The *Kanjur* and *Tanjur* are referred to as the Tibetan Buddhist Canons. While the *Kanjur* is said to contain the words of the Buddha, the *Tanjur* contains commentaries on the words of the Buddha. The works were collected over a long period of time and eventually bound together as canonic manuscript collections. After the introduction of the technique of book printing in Tibet, three large monasteries printed copies of the canons using blocks of stone on paper made by hand from the bark of trees.

Of these, the copies printed by the Narthang monastery are considered to be the most reliable. Hence, the Narthang version was often used for study because of its central position in the historical development of the Canon. One of these precious sets was purchased by Johan Van Manen for the Adyar Library.

These Tibetan Buddhist sacred scriptures contain many Sanskrit works translated into Tibetan. The original Sanskrit works are lost and only the Tibetan copies now exist, making it even more valuable.

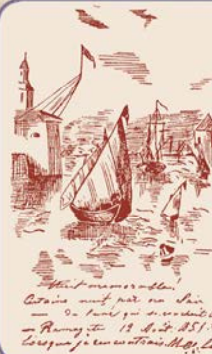


## SURENDRA NARAYAN ARCHIVES EXHIBITION

### Madame Blavatsky's Paintings, Satirical Sketches, and Doodles

*- Some Fascinating Glimpses*

Among the treasures of the Archives of the Theosophical Society at Adyar are some seldom seen drawings and sketches by Madame Blavatsky. Some in ink and pencil, some mere scrawls and scribbles, with some writings in between. Many satirical doodles embellish her famous Scrapbooks, and there are a couple of 'precipitated pictures' as well!



A pen drawing by HPB of a seaside view, probably Ramsgate, with the moon just sinking below the horizon, and written underneath is that heartfelt cry of joy at meeting her Master on her twentieth birthday, 12 August 1851.



## EARLY MORNING PRACTICES

6.00 AM

Bharata Samaj Puja  
at Bharata Samaj Temple



6.00 AM

Silent Walking Meditation  
Led by Ven. Ananda Olande Thera  
**Gather before 6 AM at LBC**



## VISITS

January 1, 1.30—3 PM: Social Welfare Centre (SWC)

January 2, 1.30—3 PM: Adyar Theosophical Academy (ATA)

January 4, 10.00 AM: Olcott School New Building Dedication

Visiting Besant Memorial Animal Dispensary (BMAD) can be arranged by request at the BMAD Stall near Enquiry Office

## GARDEN WALKS

January 2 and January 3, 1.30—3.00 PM:

Garden Walks to Olcott Bungalow

DAILY: Olcott Bungalow is open from 9 AM to 5 PM.  
Visit and learn about Adyar Eco Development work for the nature and environment.



## ADYAR ECO DEVELOPMENT

Harmonising with the consciousness in ecology

Revitalising  
our forests and gardens

Healing  
the land and water

Seeking  
wisdom within Nature



Rediscovering the  
Unity of All Life

Join us at Garden of Meditation and Olcott Bungalow!  
We have tea and cookies!



## Transformative Education

### The Art of Living and Learning

A theosophical school is a place where the child is loved, nourished, and encouraged to have a deep connection with nature and oneself. Adyar Theosophical Academy (ATA) provides a setting for children to express and explore their creativity while organically assimilating the core values of empathy, sensitivity, and an attitude of stewardship for the environment and society.

Self-directed and child-centred learning allows for nurturing curiosity, invoking a sense of wonder in children to help build creative thinking and experience the joy of learning and a lifetime of education. Join us as we share inspiring stories from our experience of learning and growing through transformative education.

### Workshop by Mrs. Sonal Murali

**DATE : 1/1/2025**  
**TIME : 3 PM**



**VENUE**  
**BLAVATSKY BUNGALOW**  
**UPSTAIRS**



PRESENTS

# WONDERSCAPE



## Explore - Engage - Evolve

Join us for an exhibition showcasing student-led projects and presentations that highlight their educational journey through 2024.

Witness creativity, collaboration, and innovation as students share their learning experiences and accomplishments from the academic year.



## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- INTERESTING SCIENCE PROJECTS DONE THROUGH THE YEAR
- SPEND A DAY AT THE INDUS MELA
- OUR IDEAL COUNTRY
- FUN GAMES AND MANY MORE!

**Date : 2/1/2025**  
**Time : 1:30 pm**  
**Venue: ATA, Vasant Kunj**

## WELCOME TO Besant Memorial Animal Dispensary

An Out-Reach Program by Theosophical Society



Nestled in the greenery of Besant Gardens, Adyar, Chennai, BMAD is a sanctuary dedicated to rehabilitating injured, abandoned, and special needs animals. As one of the region's largest shelters, it focuses on healing and improving animal lives while promoting compassion and care.

### In Patient Unit

Provides intensive care for 60–70 critical cases monthly, including severe injuries and illnesses, while supporting the ABC program with 2,000+ neuterings annually.



### Out Patient Unit

Treats over 25,000 animals yearly using advanced diagnostics like X-rays and ultrasounds, offering affordable emergency and routine care.



### Critical Surgeries

Our expert team performs life-saving surgeries, including orthopedic fixes, tumor removals, enucleation, amputation and other critical cases, giving animals a second chance at a healthy life.



### WILDLIFE UNIT

BMAD's wildlife unit rescues, treats, and rehabilitates injured and endangered urban wildlife. With specialized facilities and support from the Forest Department, the unit provides expert care and ensures animals are fully recovered and safely released back into their natural habitats, preserving ecological balance.



### LARGE ANIMAL UNIT

BMAD's Large Animal Unit shelters over 75 rescued horses, cows, and buffaloes, providing personalized care and rehabilitation. With specialized treatment for injuries and chronic conditions, separate enclosures help disabled animals recover. Dedicated caregivers restore their mobility, health, and confidence in a peaceful environment.



### HOW YOU CAN HELP OUR ANIMAL RESIDENTS

**180+**

Dogs & Cats

**75+**

Large animals

#### Special Needs Animals:

Dedicated support for those with disabilities, including amputees, blind or deaf animals, and paralytics.



#### DONATE

Providing food, care, and medical supplies to animals in need.



#### SPONSOR FEEDING

Sponsorship ensures nourishing meals for animals at our shelter.



#### VIRTUAL GUARDIANSHIP

Become the virtual parent of a rescued animal and receive updates on their progress.



#### ADOPTION PROGRAM

Give a forever home to one of our rehabilitated dogs or cats.

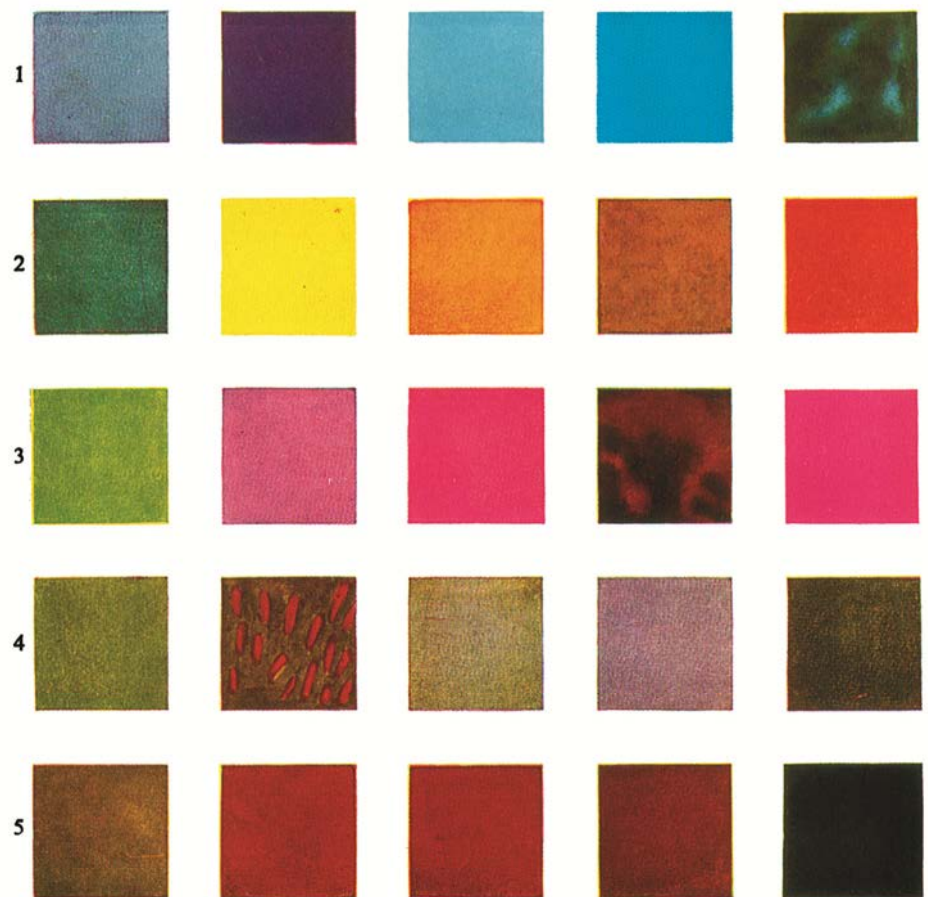
#### DONATE TO SAVE ANIMALS!



#### FOLLOW BMAD ON INSTAGRAM!



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1. High Spirituality. —	1. Devotion mixed with affection. —	1. Devotion to a Noble Ideal. —	1. Pure Religious Feeling. —	1. Selfish Reli- gious Feeling. —
2. Religious Feeling, tinged with Fear. —	2. Highest Intellect. —	2. Strong Intellect. —	2. Low type of Intellect. —	2. Pride. —
3. Sympathy. —	3. Love for Humanity. —	3. Unselfish Affection. —	3. Selfish Affection. —	3. Pure Affection. —
4. Adaptability. —	4. Jealousy. —	4. Deceit. —	4. Fear. —	4. Depression. —
5. Selfishness.	5. Avarice.	5. Anger.	5. Sensuality	5. Malice.

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