

Saturday 17 September

9:45 Registration & coffee

10:20 WELCOME ADDRESS **JENNY BAKER**
Delivered by the National President of the Theosophical Society in England.

10:30 AGARDI METROVITCH UNVEILED (IN ABSENTIA) **ERICA GEORGIADES**
This talk identifies Metrovitch, solving one of the most difficult mysteries of theosophical history.

11:10 Refreshment break

11:40 ANNIE BESANT & CW LEADBEATER'S THOUGHT FORMS 1905 **MURIEL PÉCASTAING-BOISSIÈRE**
Exploring how the interpretation of thought-forms was influenced by the occult revival & scientific discoveries.

12:20 THEOSOPHICAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CAMPAIGN FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE IN GREAT BRITAIN **KEVIN TINGAY**
Describing the actions of suffragettes who were influenced by the Theosophical Society & its teachings.

13:00 Lunch break

14:00 BEYOND THE LOST HORIZON: TIBET, THE MASTERS & SHANGRI-LA IMAGINED IN POPULAR FICTION **ROBERT GILBERT**
The story of how our conflicting perceptions of Tibet have been presented over the last 150 years.

14:40 THE MARRIAGE OF ASTROLOGY & THEOSOPHY **KIM FARNELL**
A discussion of the effect of Alan Leo's mission to demonstrate that astrology & theosophy are inseparable.

15:20 Refreshment break

15:50 OCCULTURE

CHRISTINE FERGUSON
Presenting the Occulture Project: a research project that examines the occult in terms of popular culture.

16:05 BLAVATSKY & THE IDEA OF ANCIENT WISDOM **TIM RUDBOEG**
A look at Blavatsky's sources & concepts & how she conceptualised the idea of ancient wisdom.

Short break

15:20 SKETCHES OF THE HISTORY OF THE TS IN NORTHERN ITALY **ALESSANDRO MARTINISI & GIORGIO PISANI**
An attempt to fill an historical gap and bring to light some chapters of the history of the TS in Italy.

RUDOLF STEINER'S VISITS TO LONDON
MARJATTA VAN BOESCHTEN
18:00 Presented by the General Secretary of the Anthroposophical Society in Great Britain.

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10:30 JEWISH THEOSOPHISTS IN ENGLAND & THE BRITISH LODGE OF THE HEBREW THEOSOPHISTS **BOAZ HUSS**
Looking at leading Jewish Theosophists & the activities of the English Association of Hebrew Theosophists.

11:10 Refreshment break

10:30 LOUIS VET & THE ASSOCIATION OF HEBREW THEOSOPHISTS IN THE NETHERLANDS **ALEXANDRA NAGEL**
A presentation of recent research about the TS in the Netherlands.

12:20 Lunch break

13:20 FIDUS (1868-1948): A GERMAN ARTIST FROM THEOSOPHY TO NAZISM **MASSIMO INTROVIGNE**
An account of the life of Hugo Höppener, the German artist and theosophist.

14:00 LATENT SEMANTIC ANALYSIS OF THE MAHATMA LETTERS **BOYKO ZLATEV**
Applying a powerful statistical tool to provide insight on the authorship of the Mahatma Letters.

14:40 Refreshment break

15:10 DION FORTUNE: THEOSOPHIST **GERALDINE BESKIN**
The life of Dion Fortune, from a confident young psychotherapist to a very vocal theosophist.

15:50 DYNAMICS & CHALLENGES IN STUDYING THE CASE AGAINST WILLIAM J. QUAN JUDGE **BRETT FORRAY**
The results of 20 years' of research on the Judge case.

16:30 Short break

16:40 NATURE SPIRITS & THEOSOPHY **LYNDA HARRIS**
A discussion of the nature and origins of elementals or nature spirits.

17:20 THE FUTURE OF THEOSOPHICAL HISTORY **JAMES SANTUCCI**

17:50 CLOSING REMARKS



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Professor James Santucci



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