

# HPB's Esoteric Instructions with Michael Gomes

## The ES instructions of HPB

At the end of her life H.P. Blavatsky wrote a series of Instructions for the students of her newly formed Esoteric School.

Michael Gomes, editor of a new edition of these Instructions, will provide a guided tour through this material, illuminating its ancient antecedents and historical influence.

These Instructions mark Mme. Blavatsky's last effort as part of the centennial cycle to form a nucleus that could work through the Theosophical Society for the benefit of humanity. What relevance do these teachings have for us today?

This series will comprise a number of segments, including a retreat session, which will allow students to interact with the material. HPB's theories on colour, number and sound, the nature of mantras, her esoteric human classification, and the function of after-death and other states as given in these instructions and in Tibetan Buddhism will be among some of the teachings covered. There will also be supplemental sessions that will explore current understanding of colour theory.

*"True knowledge comes slowly and is not easily acquired. In this attempt the students will be at first confronted by the great difficulties of the disciple's first steps upon the path of true Occultism."* (H.P. Blavatsky)

## Michael Gomes

### Michael Gomes

is the Director of the Emily Sellon Memorial Library in New York City.

He is author of a number of books, articles, and monographs on Theosophy in the Nineteenth Century.

He has also produced abridgements of HPB's two seminal works *Isis Unveiled* (Quest, 1997) and *The Secret Doctrine* (Penguin, 2009). Michael Gomes is the recipient of the Herman Ausubel Memorial Prize for achievement in history from Columbia University in New York, and was selected to deliver the Blavatsky Lecture in 2000 and 2007 in England.

He has given Theosophical programs throughout the English speaking world.

### The International Theosophical Centre

The ITC aims to be an active and inspiring spiritual centre, contributing to the service of the world and the uplifting of mankind in particular. The ITC therefore invites people at the Centre to work on the process of human regeneration through individual transformation.

Any stay at the Center is meant to promote quietness of mind, peace and a harmonious life. Therefore smoking or using drugs on the estate is not allowed; furthermore only vegetarian meals and non-alcoholic beverages may be consumed.



## Registration

### Time schedule

- **Thursday June 18th**  
afternoon / evening:  
arrival and registration  
18.00 dinner, followed by informal meeting
- **Program starts on Friday June 19th**
- **Tuesday June 23rd**  
after lunch: closing session.

### Registration:

Please note that the number of places is limited. We therefore use the following registration procedure:

- Registration for the full seminar can only be done before June 1st
- Reservation will only be made final after payment of the fee
- Cancellation before June 1st results in refund minus € 50
- Day visitors don't need to register in advance.  
Fee: € 20 for TS members  
and € 30 for non-TS members.  
Please note that only soup will be provided for day visitors, so take your own sandwiches.

## Registration form

(prices per person for the full seminar)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First name: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 T.S. member: Yes / No  
 Remarks / Diet request: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Registration fee:

TS-members	€ 125	€ _____
Non-member	€ 175	€ _____

### Meals:

Meals etc. (vegetarian)	€ 150	€ _____
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### Lodging

Crystal House single room	€ 120	€ _____
Crystal House 2 pers.room*	€ 90	€ _____
Arundale House	€ 70	€ _____
Cottage 2 person*	€ 110	€ _____
Camping	€ 45	€ _____

### Total amount

€ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \* price per person

## Information/venue

**Please send the registration form to:**

### International Theosophical Centre

Seminar registration  
 Valkeveenselaan 19  
 1411 GT Naarden  
 The Netherlands

The registration form can also be downloaded from [www.itc-naarden.org](http://www.itc-naarden.org) and sent to email address [activities@itc-naarden.org](mailto:activities@itc-naarden.org)

### Payment:

Accountname: Stichting St. Michael AC  
 IBAN: NL92 RABO 0132 9370 93  
 BIC/SWIFT: RABONL2U  
 Please mention: Seminar 2015

### Lodging facilities.

The ITC has the following lodging facilities:

- Arundale House offers basic lodging; 9 bedrooms, each with two beds, shared showers and toilet blocks.
- Crystal House offers 20 bedrooms; 10 single person and 10 two person bedrooms, each with own bathroom.
- Cottages. Three wooden cottages with own kitchen and bathroom for 2 persons each.
- Camping Grounds.

The ITC is located at approx. 20 km east of Amsterdam, close to the old city of Naarden. Entrance of the activities at Meentweg 9. For route description please look at [www.itc-naarden.org](http://www.itc-naarden.org).

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an Overview

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**Venue**

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