

The Voice of the Silence - An Insight into the Mystery and Purpose of our Life

Arrival and departure

Friday June 21st 2019: arrival and registration in the afternoon / evening.
18.00 dinner, followed by an informal meeting.

Saturday June 22nd 2019: start of the program.

Tuesday June 25th 2019: closing session after lunch.

Seminar

This seminar will give the participants a unique opportunity to reach for a deeper understanding of the basis of *The Voice of the Silence* (VOS), for the purpose of living and sharing its key ideas. The VOS will be explored in a modern, illustrative and interactive way, expanding and challenging our understanding of it.

Lectures and workshops

In addition of the *VOS-seminar* lectures will be given on

- Platos's teachings on *Virtues*
- Plato's *Allegory of the Cave*
- Slide presentation on the similarities of *The Egyptian Book of the Dead* with *The VOS*

The participants will receive:

- Copy of the *Allegory of the Cave*
- Selection of quotes from other sources

Please bring your own book, or purchase one on the spot

The journey

The approach to *The Voice of the Silence* will be an integrated one. This means not a line-by-line nor word-by-word approach, from the beginning of the First Fragment to the end of the Third Fragment.

The seminar is based on the idea of the Path, taking texts from all three fragments and making a whole of it. In the end most of the texts in the VOS will have been addressed.

The idea is to see ourselves as the Path and on the Path, at the same time trekking alone but with karmic-social responsibilities towards fellow travellers and to nature.

It is a comprehensive understanding and meditation on the Path that will lead us to a better realization of who we are, where we are on the Path, and what barriers and obstacles we face (internal and external). It is a view of how the conscious or unconscious karmic choices we make dictate or affect the life that will lead to the goal.

To complement and reinforce what we find in the text of the VOS, there will be references to teachings from other books and articles of H.P. Blavatsky, *The Mahatma Letters*, and other traditions like Plato, *The Egyptian Book of the Dead*, amongst others.

For example: in *The Book of the Dead* we find the soul on its journey to Amenti (Devachan) or to another field leading to union with the Divine (Nirvana).

The soul must go through *the seven portals* (analogous to the seven paramitas) and face obstacles.

Speaker



Martin Leiderman is an industrial engineer, living in Los Angeles, and working for an electronic avionics company. He is a long-term student of theosophy, as well as a national and international lecturer in Spanish and English.

With his wife Susan, Martin holds weekly study groups at their home and participates in the Spanish study group in Los Angeles. Martin is a Board Member of the Krotona Institute of Theosophy.

The International Theosophical Centre

The International Theosophical Centre (ITC) aims to foster the principle of Universal Brotherhood and Peace, under the inspiration of the highest human values, with the will to serve the world under the perspective of Oneness of Life in all living beings.

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 Centre 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 form for the full seminar

Name: _____

First name: _____ M/F: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

City: _____

Country: _____

Email address: _____

T.S. member: Yes / No _____

Remarks / Diet requests: _____

Prices per person for the full seminar

A - Registration fee:

TS-member € 115 € _____

Non-member € 165 € _____

B - Vegetarian meals:

Meals etc. (vegetarian) € 125 € _____

C - Lodging:

Crystal House single room € 120 € _____

Crystal House two persons * € 95 € _____

Lotus House single room € 140 € _____

Cottage single room € 150 € _____

Cottage two persons * € 100 € _____

Camping € 50 € _____

Total amount € _____

*prices per person

Payment:

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Lodging & Registration

The ITC has the following lodging facilities:

- **Lotus House, just new**, offers 10 bedrooms; each with own bathroom.
- **Crystal House** offers 20 bedrooms; 10 single person and 10 two person bedrooms, each with own bathroom.
- **Cottages**: 3 individual wooden cottages for 2 persons, with own kitchen and own bathroom.
- **Camping Grounds**.

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** do not need to register in advance. Fee: € 20 for TS members and € 30 for non-TS members. Please note that no meals will be provided for day visitors, so take your own sandwiches.

Registration form, route description and further information can be found on: www.itc-naarden.org

Please send the registration form to:

by email to:

activities@itc-naarden.org

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Seminar registration

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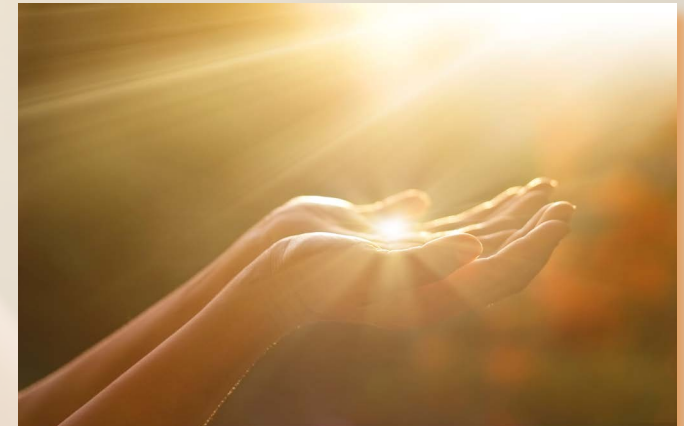
Seminar

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with

Martin Leiderman

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