

Theosophy Whanganui 2021 calendar

Please keep checking in as we fill the gaps. Usual public presentation venue Awa Room @Whanganui Arts at the Centre 19 Taupō Quay back river entrance unless otherwise stated. We intend to offer:

- Public monthly presentations 2nd Sunday 2pm, plus some additional dates for national speakers.
- Regular member/friend discussion group fortnightly Tuesday evening 7pm from Feb 23.
- Open public study group x4wk block courses 1 night a week Wed 7pm approx 60-90min, course #1 from 24 March, course #2 from 5 May.

Feb 14 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, facilitated by Kirsty Morton (local president)**
'Big Love' – casual intro informal discussion catch up to kick off 2021, optional byo munchies if you want shared late lunch + smile, questions/discussion welcome. We'll sort the cuppa and have an info table set up.

Mar 6 **Central Region event Hawkes Bay details tbc (date may change)**

14 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, Kirsty Morton (local president)**
'The Relevance of Symbols' – Synopsis: Symbols are, and have been from ancient times, an established effective way of communicating shared messages, ideas and concepts. They often invoke an immediate and intense response, and have high risk of assumption, misunderstanding, misrepresentation and manipulation. What is the emblem of the Theosophical Society about?

April 11 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, Murray Stentiford (Nat speaker) topic tbc**

May 9th Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, Kirsty Morton (local president)**
'Comparison – the dogma of Should' – Synopsis: In this presentation we will consider how comparison influences and affects us in many aspects and levels. What is comparison? Why does it happen? How do we compare? How could we use comparison? In a world full of disharmony with differences, can we master and use this tendency to instead be a constructive tool rather than a limitation? Some fundamental propositions of Theosophy are that every existent being is rooted in the same universal, life-creating Reality, and has its own unique value. This is expressed in reverence for life and compassion for all.

14-15th **Central Region event Wellington w Bill Keidan details tbc**

30th Sunday **additional local presentation John Vorstemans (National President)**
'Theosophy – The Ageless Wisdom' - Synopsis: Theosophy is a synonym for the Ageless Wisdom. In this presentation we explore what we mean and understand by Ageless Wisdom. What actually is it? How do we learn it? How is it practical in our lives? Is it something we can find in books and, if so, which ones?

June 13 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, Carla Langmead/quantum all is connected**

July 4 Sunday **additional local presentation John Vorstemans and Renee Sell (National Pres & Vice Pres)**
'An introduction to exploring key Theosophical ideas and how to approach Theosophy' – Synopsis: 1 day seminar approx 9am – 4pm with sessions 'Value and approach to studying Theosophy', 'The Three fundamental propositions and focusing on the third in more depth', 'Cycles and Reincarnation' followed by discussion.

11 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, topic/speaker tba**

24 Saturday **additional local presentation Richard Sell (Nat speaker) 'Change Ourselves, Change the World'** – Synopsis: As we travel along the 'Spiritual Path' we see the world and its problems and naturally want to change the world to become a better place to live in for all. Little do we realise that the change begins with ourselves, and the work to be done on our own character and mode of living and being, is the key to not only our own progress and happiness but in turn helps uplift all of humanity. We take a look at some of the guidance handed down to us in the ancient texts and also more modern literature that can assist us in this quest and what some of the barriers to achieving success might look like.

Aug 8 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, topic/speaker tba**

21-22 **Central Region event Palmerston North w Donna Kerridge details tbc**

Sep 12 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, topic/speaker tba**

25-26 **Central Region event New Plymouth details tbc**

Oct 10 Sunday **Theosophy Whanganui monthly presentation, topic/speaker tba**

Nov 14 Sunday **AGM**

Dec 12 Sunday **End of year 'Wynd Up'**

Jan 2022	13-18 (date to be confirmed)	National convention	Auckland
Jan 2023	12-17 (date to be confirmed)	National convention	Whanganui
Jan 2024	11-16 (date to be confirmed)	National convention	Christchurch

Feb 17 (info only no event) international 'Adyar Day' to remember and give thanks to those who walked before us, who dedicated their lives to Theosophy, and who gave us the very special gift of Adyar international headquarters. Adyar hosts the the international president, convention, ancient library and relies on donations to manage property maintenance and community programmes.

May 8th (info only no event) international 'White Lotus Day' to commemorate the death in 1891 of Helena Petrovna Blavatsky 'on the anniversary of my death some of my friends should assemble at the Headquarters of the Theosophical Society and read a chapter of Edward Arnold's Light of Asia and Bhagavad Gita'.

Nov 17 (info only no event) international 'Founders Day' to commemorate founders of Theosophical Society. We, as Theosophists are also founders. We are called to found lives built on altruism and openness to others, to have broad and receiving minds and spirits, to be visionaries and actors, builders of the arcanum of humanity. "Theosophist is, who Theosophy does."