



## THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

International Headquarters, Adyar, 600 020 Chennai, India

# 140th INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



***Theme: 'Compassion and Universal Responsibility'***

31 December 2015 to 5 January 2016

### PROGRAMME

Thursday, 31 December 2015

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- 8.00 a.m. Prayers of the Religions  
OPENING OF THE CONVENTION  
Mr Tim Boyd, *President, Adyar*
- 3.30 p.m. Reception
- 5.00 p.m. PUBLIC LECTURE  
'Compassion as Radical Living'  
Mrs Linda Oliveira, *General Secretary, Australia*
- 7.30 p.m. Ritual of the Mystic Star

Friday, 1 January 2016

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- 8.00 a.m. Universal Prayer and Meditation  
SHORT LECTURES  
'Responsibility Transforms - Compassion Transcends'  
Ms Trân-Thi-Kim-Diêu, *Chairman, European Federation, France*
- 'Human Responsibility towards Other Kingdoms'  
Mr B. D. Tendulkar, *India*
- 9.30 a.m. INDIAN SECTION CONVENTION - I
- 5.00 p.m. ANNIE BESANT LECTURE  
'Passion, Dispassion, and Compassion'  
Honorable Mr Justice V. Ramasubramanian, *India*
- 7.30 p.m. 'Dreams Do Come True'  
Hindustani Classical Vocal Recital - *Deepa Avadhanam & Team*



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Saturday, 2 January 2016

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- 8.00 a.m. Devotional Meeting  
Mrs Chandrika Mehta, *India*
- 10.00 a.m. SHORT LECTURES  
'Compassion Starts at Home'  
Mrs Carol Nicholson, *Krotona Bookshop Manager, USA*
- 'Compassion and Reverence for Life'  
Mr Harihara Raghavan, *General Manager, Adyar*
- 3.00 p.m. SYMPOSIUM  
'Religious Intolerance and Sectarian Violence'  
Ms Krista Umbjärv, *Estonia*, Dr Nagan Gowden, *India*, Mrs Isis Resende, *Brazil*
- 5.00 p.m. THEOSOPHY-SCIENCE LECTURE  
'Neurophysiology of Compassion'  
Dr José Foglia, *Neurologist, Uruguay*
- 7.30 p.m. Evening Programme

Sunday, 3 January 2016

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- 8.00 a.m. Universal Prayer
- SYMPOSIUM  
'Compassion in different Spiritual Traditions'  
Mr Abraham Oron, *Israel*; Mrs Mirva Jaatinen, *Finland*;  
Dr Chittaranjan Satapathy, *Vice-President, Adyar* (Chair)
- 9.30 a.m. INDIAN SECTION CONVENTION - II  
'Listening to The March of The Future'  
Ms Geetha Jaikumar, Mr Shikhar Agnihotri, Mr Mahesh S.U.
- 3.00 p.m. THE THEOSOPHICAL ORDER OF SERVICE  
'A union of those who love in the service of all that suffers'  
Mrs Uma Bhattacharyya, *India*; Mr John Vostermans, *New Zealand*; and  
Mrs Nancy Secrest, *USA*; with Mr Birendra Bhattacharyya, *India* (Chair)
- 5.00 p.m. PUBLIC LECTURE  
'The Power of Awareness'  
Mr Vicente Hao Chin Jr, *the Philippines*
- 7.30 p.m. 'An Outlook on the Future of the Adyar Estate'  
Mr Tim Boyd, *President, Adyar*, and Mr Michiel Haas, *the Netherlands*



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Monday, 4 January 2016

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8.00 a.m. Universal Prayer and Meditation

### SHORT LECTURES

‘Compassion: the sole reason for the existence of The Theosophical Society’

Mr Herman C Vermeulen, *Leader of the TS Point Loma-Blavatskyhouse and Vice-President, International Theosophy Conferences Inc., the Netherlands*

‘Karma, Reincarnation and Buddhi-Manas: Forces of Power and Virtue’

Dr Eugene Jennings, *ULT and President, International Theosophy Conferences Inc., USA*

9.30 a.m. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr Tim Boyd, Mrs Linda Oliveira, Dr Eugene Jennings,  
Mr Herman C Vermeulen, Mr Vicente Hao Chin Jr

3 p.m. SHORT LECTURES

‘Sustainability and Spirituality’

Mr Michiel Haas, *the Netherlands*

‘Unbiased Compassion pours out as Universal Responsibility’

Dr L. Nagesh, *India*

5.00 p.m. PUBLIC LECTURE

‘Reversing the Flow: A Conscious Choice’

Mr Tim Boyd, *President, Adyar*

7.30 p.m. Bharathnatyam Programme by *Kalakshetra Foundation*

Tuesday, 5 January 2016

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8.00 a.m. Prayers of the Religions

### CLOSING OF THE CONVENTION

9.30 a.m. Admission of New Members

3 p.m. Youth Forum

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

EXHIBITION, ADYAR MUSEUM:

The Theosophical Influence on the paintings of Mrs Florence Fuller

STALLS of Olcott Education Society and Besant Welfare Centre

VISIT to Social Welfare Centre – Cultural Activities and Exhibition

VISIT to Olcott Memorial School – Cultural Activities and Exhibition

