



The Anthroposophical Society
La Société Anthroposophique Canada

SUMMER ENEWS 2025



Greetings Members of the ASC,

This summer edition of the enews contains notices of summer and fall events and the obituary for Philip Natiuk. This Sunday afternoon please join Anthroposophy Canada Wide for a presentation by **Gopi Krishna on The Spirituality of Numbers**. See the zoom link below.

KNOW THYSELF - The ASC Survey

If you have not done so, please consider taking a few minutes to complete the ASC survey of members and activity.

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New Grant Application Form

The Council has developed a new process for accepting grant proposals. Access the online application form

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SUMMER EVENTS



The Communications Committee presents...
Anthroposophy Canada Wide
with Gopi Krishna

THE SPIRITUALITY OF NUMBERS

Join Us

Sunday July 6th

1pm PST / 4pm EST

Zoom Link [HERE](#)

Widely respected as an anthroposophical scientist, Gopi recently translated into English a critical book for the times written about a century ago: ***The Spiritual Foundation of Numbers* by Ernst Bindel** (German Title: *Die geistigen Grundlagen der Zahlen*)

As Gopi says, "It is a fantastic work that explores the moral quality of numbers as well as the importance of different numbers to different human capacities. It covers a breathtakingly wide range of topics - the Trinity, the Pentagram, the Ten Commandments, the witches' magic square puzzle in Faust, the mathematical riddle in the Chymical Wedding of Christian Rosenkreutz, the relation between plant growth and arithmetical operations, the Kabbalah, Gematria, deeper meanings of Seven, the Number 666 in the Apocalypse, the geometrical construction of the golden ratio. This 1935 book predates the New Age wave of the 60's, and as a result, it is refreshing to see the topics treated with no sensationalism but only systematic and thorough anthroposophic thought. And as a bonus, this volume also includes a brilliant exposition of the properties of the Periodic Table of Elements, where Bindel clearly shows how the Periodic Table is a document bearing testament to the cosmic history of the Earth. This part was a real joy to translate."

Join us on July 6th for an inspiring 90-minute exploration into the spirituality of numbers.

Coming this Fall...
Tuesdays – starting on September 9

Social Threefolding Study Group

::: Weekly Study Group :::

Collaborative Study of Rudolf Steiner's Book about Social Threefolding

co-facilitated by T. Michael Cox and Linda Lingane

Starting in September, we will meet on a weekly basis to read and discuss the most relevant parts of Rudolf Steiner's 1919 book about social threefolding, *The Core Points of the Social Question*, also known as *Towards Social Renewal*. We will focus on how Steiner's social ideas apply in a practical way to our current societal situation – to the here and now. What can we do, in our present circumstances, to create a healthier future society?

Register [HERE](#)





**Rudolf Steiner
College Canada**

for Anthroposophy • Waldorf Education • Arts

2025 RSCC Summer Festival of Arts and Education

Week One - July 7-11

MORNING + AFTERNOON 9:00-3:00

Grade 1 – Reka Borbely
Grade 2 – Patrice Maynard
Grade 3 – Warren Cohen
Grade 4 – Imke Jorgensen
Grade 5 – Megan Gruner
Grade 6 – Sarah Cooper
Grade 7 – Jessica Gladio
Grade 8 – Paula Rosa

AFTERNOON 3:15-4:00, 4:15-5:00

Eurythmy, period 1: grades 5-8, period 2: grades 1-4,
Jonathan Snow
Blackboard Drawing Through the Grades, period 1:
grades 1-4, period 2: grades 5-8, Henry Muth

Week Two - July 14-18

Week Two MORNING 9:00-12:30

Social Understanding, Gender and
Sexuality in Our Time, Meaghan Witri
The Magic of Class Plays, Merwin Lewis
A Puppet Story for All Seasons,
Dianne Goldsmith

Week Two AFTERNOON 1:30-4:45

Speech and Storytelling Through the Grades,
period 1: 5-8, period 2: 1-4, Seamus Maynard
Art Through the Grades, period 1: grades 1-4,
period 2: grades 5-8, Berit Strasser
Working with Wood the Waldorf Way,
Warren Cohen

Co-creating with the Living World, Elyse Pomeranz, Laurie Harper Burgess (all day)

Week Three - July 21-25

Week Three MORNING 9:00-12:30

Developing the Developmental
Curriculum, Martyn Rawson
How Does your Garden Grow?
Mary-lu Spinney
Anthroposophical Perspectives on DEI,
Mark McGivern

Week Three AFTERNOON 1:30-4:45

Embracing the Unknown
Compassionately and Playfully,
Catherine Bryden
Rudolf Steiner's Biography and Mine?
Regine Kurek
Veil Painting, Jef Saunders

Who Shall Raise the Children: the Living Art of Parenting, Marg Beard & Kati Gabor (all day)

**Register online at www.rsc.ca/SummerFestival • info@rsc.ca
905-764-7570 • 9100 Bathurst Street, #4, Thornhill, ON L4J 8C7**



Pathfinding in Uncertainty—Cultivating Capacities for Leading into the Future

Four-day intensive, October 15 - 19, 2025, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Convened by *John Bloom and Leah Walker*

Leading and leadership for organizational mission has brought with it new personal, social, and economic challenges. Can you assume trust in relationships in such a polarized environment? What will it take to forge new agreements around values and organizational practices? The world reflects uncertainty, but you likely need inner certainty and clarity in order to lead.

This four-day intensive will develop capacities for self-knowledge as a foundation for leading and serving others in a time of uncertainty, distrust, and a willful by-passing of truth. *Leading out of one's intuitive sense for the future, out of a mood of inquiry rather than outcome, brings one, regardless of experience or origin, to a threshold, a gateway to community.* This recognition and how to navigate it lie at the heart of this intensive.

During the four days we will focus on the deep organizational and vocational questions each participant carries and is open to exploring. Biography work, how we form agreements, and work with the social field of groups are core to the processes we will explore together. How do we recognize how instrumental each of us is in making insight possible for others? How do we serve what wisdom wants to emerge from being together?

What We Will Do Together

- **Practice creative group processes** for deepening social understanding
- **Engage in biography work** to enhance one's own individuality and to develop capacity to perceive the individuality of others
- **Cultivate reflective, meditative practices** for oneself and across an organization
- **Explore decision-making and leadership style** through three perspectives: cultural, rights, and economic
- **Address intergenerational leadership** issues and constructive conditions for succession
- **Understand what is newly needed in the field of social agreements**, how they are co-created and managed as a path to organizational effectiveness in the world.

How We Will Work

This intensive includes significant content, yet our way of working together will happen largely through experiential, living processes. Every aspect will be an exploration of new ways of leadership, new ways of connecting inner experience and outer reality, and new ways of being and working in groups and community.

Who Will Come Together

The invitation goes to those carrying responsibilities within spiritually based organizations, and anyone who feels they would benefit from and could contribute to this level of engagement. The intention is for participation to be guided by interest and need. Space is limited to allow for working closely and deeply.

(For More information and Registration continue reading [HERE](#))

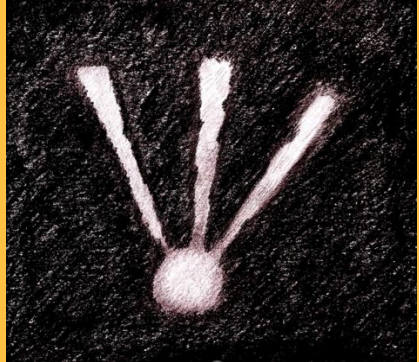
Reminder:

Space, Time, and the Human Heart
Registration is now open!
Visit: threefold.org/spacetimeheart

Title: **Space, Time, and the Human Heart**

Date: **August 14-17, 2025**

Location: **Threefold Education Foundation,
Chestnut Ridge, NY**



Anyone interested in engaging deeply with Rudolf Steiner's work and the School for Spiritual Science is warmly invited to join with others seeking to understand and enliven the work of the School in North America.

Space, Time, and the Human Heart emerged out of the need and intention to encourage stronger mutual flow between the School for Spiritual Science in North America, given by Rudolf Steiner and as distilled in the 19 Class Lessons, and the Anthroposophical Society, the various vocational Sections, and, equally important, society at large.

Building on several years of convenings, this gathering continues the initiative of members of the School for Spiritual Science (General Anthroposophical Section). At the core of this co-creation is the notion that individual destiny, in relation to an anthroposophical path and through the practical work, is best cultivated in community. We will come together to cultivate a greater living connection to the work of the School while fostering a vibrant, open, and evolving community of practice: **spiritual activity within a social field of engagement, reflection, and research.**

The following gives a sense of what is being striven for in this gathering:

Does Anthroposophy have a future? This question seems to have been very much alive for Rudolf Steiner in the weeks leading up to the Christmas Foundation Meeting. Was it this question that inspired his decision to inaugurate the esoteric work of the School for Spiritual Science? He knew that it was only through an esoteric deepening that new life could flow into the spiritual work and allow anthroposophical practice to bear fruit in the world. Can we, in our work together, birth impulses capable of bringing new vitality to the School for Spiritual Science in North America? What are the inner and outer gestures of a truly modern esoteric path?

The conference organizing group includes: John Bloom, Catarina Burisch, Bert Chase, Sarah Dunbar, Michael Hughes, Kim Hunter, Rudiger Janisch, Jon McAlice, Rubeena Sandhu, Ezra Sullivan, and Leah Walker.

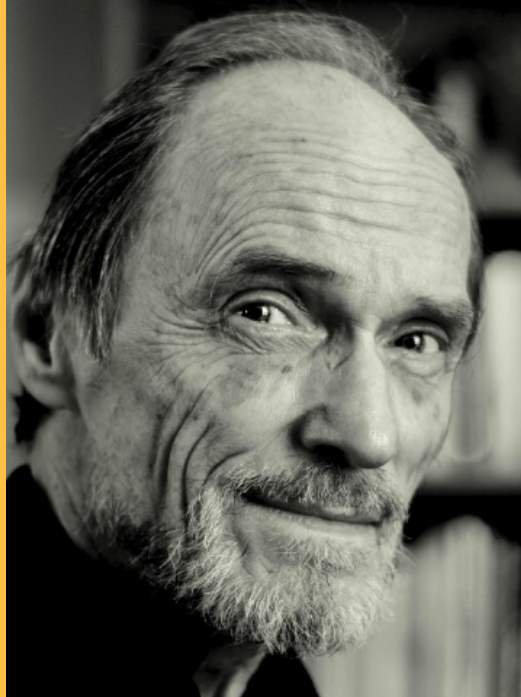
To register and find more information: threefold.org/spacetimeheart

Obituary: Phillip Walter Natiuk September 11, 1950 - November 23, 2024

By Alice Natiuk

Poem

Be who You are.
The world needs individuals.
We don't like cookie-cutter houses.
Why do we think cookie-cutter people can build a
world we want to live in?
Let's celebrate the eccentrics.
Let's celebrate our own souls struggling to be in a



time of possibility and expectations.
Let's make room for our own endless contradictions
and ways we cannot understand our own struggles.
Let's make room for each other.
Let's make room for humanity, for life.

Phillip, my husband was an individual on this earth.
He frightened others in his intensity, unpredictability
and fire of spirit. And many others felt completely safe
in his wholeness of presence. He knew who he was.
He did not apologize for who he was. And still, his
destiny, karma brought him into that inner place of
letting go of that which came between him and others
between him and me between him and himSelf.
Letting go of himself and keeping Self. The way of the
pilgrim. The way of the Consciousness Soul - Be who
You are.

This poem was written by his wife, Alice Natiuk. To
tell you more about Phillip's life and death, three
eulogies about him are linked to the ASC website.

The first one is written by [Rev. Marc Fortin](#) of the Christian Community who presided over
Phillip's funeral. The funeral was held in the Roman Catholic Church in Manitoba where Phil
grew up. The second eulogy is written by Phillip's cousin, [Terry Ludwick](#). He was asked by
Phillip to speak at the funeral reception 6 days before Phil died. This is about his youth. [The
third eulogy is written by his wife](#). She presented it at his Memorial Service at the Christian
Community in Ontario on February 22nd of this year.
(click on blue words for links)



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