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January 2021. This month's newsletter contains a listing of in-person and on-line events and an audio review.

During 2020 digitised lecture downloads from the Wessex archives reached 35 different countries, the most popular title releases of 2020 being, *Gematria*. *The Numbers of Infinity* and *the Astral World*.

The Spirit of Nepal (a bumpy ride to Katmandu)

By Lorna Heath

It was a visit to Northern India in 2018 that inspired me to volunteer as a teacher in Nepal. When one thinks of Nepal it's usually the Himalayas and Mount Saganath (Everest to us) that springs to mind, but as I have learnt, the country adds another layer of spirituality to this mystical place. The ladies are smiley brightly dressed colourful souls and love hugging, (during the Covid Crisis they must be missing this); but of course hands together bowing to Namaste to them, to the actual folk who practice Hinduism is a real honour.

Nepal is a spiritual place and Hinduism seems more important to the Nepalese than to the people of Northern India. There is a vast difference in size of the two countries, but both respect the Diwalli festival of lights in October and November.

Hinduism is the largest religion in Nepal followed by Buddhism, despite Buddha being born in Nepal. Islam is growing fast, whilst Jainism is practiced by a small but strong minority. Christianity although present, was banned in Nepal until the 1950s.

All the religions of Nepal have Temples that are noticed easily. Two amazing Buddhist Temples are the Swayambhunath (Monkey temple) and the Buddanath which is the largest temple in the world. Shamans (Jhakari) are a huge presence here, practicing medicine and drumming meditations with their twirling, which reminds one of the Sufi Whirling Dervishes. The Tibetan singing bowls shops are heaven to be amongst. What a treat and what a choice. My friend's house is furnished in Tibetan



artifacts from Shamanic drums to rattles, bells and furniture. Assisting the delightful local children in learning English gave me the opportunity to mix with families and gain true insight into family life. To see them dancing and singing together was humbling. My visit coincided with not only Independence from Britain in 1923 but parents day. I was invited to dance with the teachers on stage in a great hall full of people in wonderful national dress. Again very humbling, and hard to stay in step, but I would have regretted it for ever if I had not participated.

Nepal has had its troubles and one could easily divert to other subjects like pollution, corruption, litter in the river beds and a lack of infrastructure (for example there is no drinking water on tap), but I was particularly inspired by the way people have bounced back from the earthquake of 2015; the majority of people carrying on and making good lives for themselves.

The success or failure of living seems far more real in Nepal and the effect is invigorating. Through their sense of faith, they bring happiness and harmony into their lives, something that sets them free spiritually and materially. We could learn from the Nepalese; their sense of hope in times of adversity, looking forward with unquenchable belief that despite setbacks, everything will work in the end. They are steadfast of purpose, pressing onwards and only looking back in thanks giving. Anyone for Momos?

For further information about Nepal email Lorna at the Gift of Sound lornaheath5@gmail.com

IN PERSON EVENTS

3 Jan Glastonbury

Divine Union Soundbath

Dean Carter

centreforpuresound.org

5 Jan Chingford North

Introduction to Meditation

FISU.org

9 Jan Oborne

Pure Sound Therapy

Practitioner Course

Dean Carter

centreforpuresound.org

12 Jan London

the Apocalypse for the Clergy

Brendan McQuillan

rsh.anth.org.uk

12 Jan Shepherds Bush

Introduction to Meditation

FISU.org

13 Jan London

the Karma of Materialism

Trevor Dance

rsh.anth.org.uk

13 Jan London

the Spiritual Hierarchies

and Their Reflection in the Physical

World

Zodiac Planet Cosmos

Brendan McQuillan

rsh.anth.org.uk

17 Jan Yeovil

Divine Union Soundbath

Dean Carter

centreforpuresound.org

19 Jan Basildon

Introduction to Meditation

FISU.org

25 Jan Stroud

Further Journeys in the Mastery of

the Gong

Aidan McIntyre & Tim Byford

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

26 Jan Ashford Hythe & Folkestone

Introduction to Meditation

FISU.org

27 Jan **London**

the Bridge Between the Universal

Spiritual and Human Physical

Constitution

David Lowe

rsh.anth.org.uk

29 Jan Glastonbury

Introducing Sacred Geometry

Claudie Planche

stargaia.com

30 Jan Oborne

White Tara Healing

Dean Carter

centreforpuresound.org

30 Jan Stroud

Deep Ecology Imbolc

the Swelling Seed

Jenni Horsfall & Mark Graham

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

30 Jan Glastonbury

the Template

Sacred Geometry Workshop

Claudie Planche

stargaia.com

31 Jan Oborne

Divine Union Soundbath

Dean Carter

centreforpuresound.org

31 Jan Loughton

Introduction to Meditation

FISU.org

ON-LINE EVENTS

28 Jan

Social Evening

devondowsers.org.uk

ON-LINE TALKS

1 Jan

New Year's Resolutions

Swami Aliananda Paramahansa

worldpeacemission.com

2 Jan

Shamanic Sundays Group

Mandy Pullen

ecoshamanism.org.uk

3 Jan

Shamanic Sundays Group

Mandy Pullen

ecoshamanism.org.uk

6 Jan

Meditations and Mantras

for Prosperity Gemma Bliss

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

6 Jan

The Rebirth of People and Planet in

a Time of Global Emergency

Catherine Lucas

mysticsandscientists.org

8 Jan

More on 2021

Transits Major Aspect Patterns

David Matthews

Totnes Astrology Group

Tel. 01803 867145

10 Jan

Thin Places

Terry Faull

tamar-dowsers.org

10 Jan

Bird Spirit Healing Part 2

Dr Karen Stead-Dexter

thamesvalleydowsers.org.uk

10 Jan

What is Sense of Place?

Can it Really be felt and Mastered?

Terry Faull

devondowsers.org.uk

13 Jan

Transcendental Meditation An Antidote to Violence?

Dr David Orme-Johnson,

Patricia Williams & Barry Spivack

mysticsandscientists.org

14 Jan

Conversations that Matter

Leading from the Emerging Future. The Rebirth of People and Planet in

a Time of Global Emergency

Catherine Lucas

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

14 Jan

Midweek Meditations

Geoffrey Beitz

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

15 Jan

Norse Myths and Music

by the Fireside Andreas Kornevall

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

18 Jan

How to Know Higher Worlds Dr Sue Peat & Philip Martyn

rsh.anth.org.uk

19 Jan

Healthy Eating with Yoga Nidra

Grainne McAnallen

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

20 Ian

Coherent Self Coherent World

Diana Durham

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

21 Jan

Midweek Meditations Geoffrey Beitz

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

22 Jan

How Oneness Leads to Goodness. The Spiritual Source of Compassion and Altruism. How Can We Move from a Sense of Separation to

Interconnectedness

Steve Taylor

mysticsandscientists.org

22 Jan

2021. Profound Messages from a Himalayan Mystic

Sri Anish

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

23 Jan

Introduction to Ecoshamanism

Mandy Pullen

ecoshamanism.org.uk

24 Jan

Animal Navigation Richard Nissen devondowsers.org.uk

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24 Jan

Archangel Raphael

Swami Aliananda Paramahansa

worldpeacemission.com

27 Jan

Heal the Pineal Detox with Hung Song Githa Ben David

mysticsandscientists.org

29 Jan

2021. Prophesies from a Traditional Yogi Dr Nida Chenagtsang

collegeofpsychicstudies.co.uk

28 Jan Aguarius

Meditation Transforming Planetary

Consciousness Webinar

aquaac.org

ON-LINE WORKSHOPS

4 Jan

Mindfulness for Writers Nature, Land, Creative and

Reflective Writing

Haiku and Haibun Intensive

Roselle Angwin roselle-angwin.co.uk

4 Jan

Quantum Reset Retreat

Chris Bourne openhandweb.org

5 Jan

Dowsing Development Group

Steve

devondowsers.org.uk

9 Jan

SEVA Acupressure for Self Care

Jackie May joyousisle.com

11 Jan

Tai Chi for Body Mind and Spirit

Chris Taylor

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

16 Jan

Dowsing Development Group

Amanda

devondowsers.org.uk

18 Jan

English for Deeper Conversations

Megan Woodbell findhorncollege.org

21 Jan

Book and Video Club

Martin

devondowsers.org.uk

26 Jan

the Quantum Leader Masterclass

Lead from the Emerging Future

Catherine Lucas

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

27 Jan

Signs Planets and Aspects

Astrology Course Mark Graham

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

27 Jan

the Wild Scribe

Mary Reynolds Thompson

hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

30 Jan

Journey Intensive Brandon Bays & Arnold Timmerman thejourney.com

Audio Review: Journey to Zero Inner Calm. The Peace Key Meditation

By Wendy Datta, Michael Ormiston and Candida Valentino

The peace key meditation is a meditation for our time, an assist for peacefulness and self healing.

The music is thoughtfully composed and uses a mixture of traditional and modern instruments to create a beautiful sense of feeling and often imagery as listeners are transported to places of inner space and peace, often returning rested, re-energised and grounded. The Peace Key Meditation is mystical, multidimensional and textured. The sounds are

patterned and layered and played with mastery and clarity, producing healing tones of pure resonance. As a consequence it is deeply relaxing and refreshing; helping energy to flow, re-centre and consolidate more easily.

For further information contact Wendy by emailing her at connectpegasus@nym.hush.com

To promote an event or submit a contribution to the newsletter email Robert at robertmulliss900@uwclub.net or log on to www.wessexresearchgroup.org