

# THE ANTHROPOSOPHICAL SOCIETY IN CANADA

2015 AGM AND CONFERENCE



**“And the darkness becomes light”**

**Friday, May 15 - Sunday, May 17, 2015  
Toronto Waldorf School  
Thornhill, Ontario**

## Conference Presenters

**H.S. (Bert) Chase:** At an early age Bert and his family moved to Peru, whose rich history and archaeology inspired a lifelong interest in the relationship between architecture and spiritual influences in everyday life. Early in his career he met Rudolf Steiner's profound indications for architecture - these changed the course of his life. Bert's architectural practice in Vancouver, B.C. has served anthroposophical initiatives throughout North America and Hawaii. He has written, lectured and taught extensively on anthroposophical subjects and Rudolf Steiner's arts impulse.

**Rev. Jonah Evans** grew up in Sacramento, California and attended the Sacramento Waldorf School. Later, he received a bachelor's degree in Psychology from California State University in Sacramento. He then attended the Seminary of The Christian Community in Chicago and Stuttgart, Germany. In 2008 he was consecrated as a priest. He has worked as a community priest in Johannesburg, South Africa, Spring Valley, NY and currently in Toronto. He is married and has two lovely daughters.

**Regine Kurek:** Founder and Director of Arscura - School for Art and Biography in the Healing and Social Fields in Toronto, Regine has worked as a teacher and art facilitator here and abroad for many years. She has just returned from an extended stay in Madeira. At the moment she is interested in forging new connections between art, nature and the social realm in areas of the world where nature might invite a 'christening'. She is interested to work on such projects with colleagues.

### On the Conference Theme

This year the conference is aligned to the theme that has arisen out of the work of the General Secretaries of now 17 countries at their autumn meeting in Dornach. To read more about this theme please go to:

[www.goetheanum.org/Theme-of-the-Year-2015-16.6434.0.html?&L=1](http://www.goetheanum.org/Theme-of-the-Year-2015-16.6434.0.html?&L=1).

Our Canadian presenters out of their conference preparation have added to this context an additional impetus:  
“And the darkness becomes light.” How can we face the world with affirmation when wherever we turn we are confronted with darkness? Does the “I” turn towards the light by opening to and bearing the darkness? Does this become the way of Michaelic World Affirmation?

We will explore this through a biographical-artistic process, two keynote presentations and reflective conversations leading to a plenum on Sunday morning.

The event is open to both members and friends of the Anthroposophical Society. It will take place in English and will be held at the Toronto Waldorf School with meals at Hesperus Village (9100 Bathurst St., Thornhill, Ontario.) Please note, meals must be booked in advance no later than May 8. Please use registration form.

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## 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

### *Schedule of Events*

#### **Friday, May 15**

**7:30 pm – 8:30 pm**  
School of Spiritual Science – Lesson 6  
(Blue card required)  
(Eurythmy Room, TWS)  
Bert Chase

#### **Saturday, May 16**

**8:30 am – 9:15 am**  
Eurythmy with  
Maria Helms  
(Forum, TWS)

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**  
AGM Opening  
Let's Hear from You  
(Music Room, TWS)

**10:30 am – 11:00 am**  
Break – Refreshments

**11:00 am – 11:30 am**  
Address  
Arie van Ameringen

**11:30 am – 12:30 am**  
Anthroposophical Society  
Annual General Meeting  
(Pink card required for  
Voting Members)

**12:30 pm – 2:00 pm**  
Lunch (Hesperus Village,  
must pre-book)

**2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**  
AGM concluded

**3:30 pm – 4:00 pm**  
Refreshments  
Conference Registration

**4:00 pm – 5:45 pm**  
Welcome to Conference  
Artistic biographical  
exercise introducing  
the theme, led by  
Regine Kurek  
(Forum, TWS)

**6:00 pm – 7:30 pm**  
Dinner (Hesperus Village,  
must pre-book)

**7:30 pm – 9:00 pm**  
Two keynote presentations  
by Bert Chase and  
Jonah Evans  
(Music Room, TWS)

**9:15 pm – 9:45 pm**  
End of day  
Northern Star Eurythmy  
(Forum, TWS)

#### **Sunday, May 17**

**9:00 am – 10:30 am**  
Small group conversations  
inspired by the previous  
day's events  
(Forum, TWS)

**10:30 am – 11:00 am**  
Break – Refreshments

**11:00 am – 12:00 am**  
Plenum and outlook  
towards future intentions

There are limited funds available for assistance in travelling to the Conference and AGM

Please contact the administrator if you would like to apply. Tel: (416) 892-3656 E-mail: [info@anthroposophy.ca](mailto:info@anthroposophy.ca)

## Participant Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Conference Fee

Regular Fee: \$85 \_\_\_\_\_

Seniors/Students \$60 \_\_\_\_\_

### Meals Fee

Saturday Lunch: \$13.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday dinner: \$17.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

Meals will be vegetarian and must be booked in advance no later than May 8th. For billeting with families please contact Melanie Nason at 905 237-4969. or [melanienason@rogers.com](mailto:melanienason@rogers.com).

Rate for billeting is \$35.00 per night.

Please make cheques payable to The Anthroposophical Society in Canada. Send the registration form with cheque to:  
Jef Saunders, Administrator, The Anthroposophical Society in Canada

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