

## Insights

### The Significance of the First Class:

Saturday, 11 February 2017

- for **Scientific Work**, *Johannes Kühl*
- for **Educational Work**, *Tomáš Zdražil*
- for **Work as a Priest**, *Tomáš Boněk*

Sunday, 12 February 2017

- for **Exposure with Evil**, *Thomas Meyer*
- for **Findig and Realizing the Good**,  
*Johannes Greiner*
- for **Medical Work**, *Matthias Girke*

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## The School of Spiritual Science Its Significance and Purpose



On reverse:  
Face of the “Representative of Humanity”.  
Detail of the central figure  
of the wooden sculpture  
that Rudolf Steiner created  
with Edith Maryon from  
August 1914 until his  
death on 30 March 1925.  
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**Open Conference  
of the Swiss Anthroposophical Society  
10 to 12 February 2017  
Goetheanum, Dornach**

# The School of Spiritual Science

## Its Significance and Purpose

Rudolf Steiner founded the School of Spiritual Science at the Christmas Conference in 1923/24. Henceforth, he said the School would be understood as an “esoteric” institution. He clearly repudiated previous efforts by Goetheanum colleagues to model the Dornach work on already existing academic institutions. The newly founded School of Spiritual Science would appear as an esoteric school. All scientific and artistic activities in Dornach would be carried by this esoteric school and its training – the substance of which in terms of research, teaching and education, would contribute to contemporary civilization. The new school would thereby form the core and soul of the refounded Anthroposophical Society, making the implementation of anthroposophy a “serious” matter, and building a “rock for anthroposophy” instead of the previous attitude of “laziness”. It is about truly taking responsibility for the world’s needs and the actual realization of spiritual impulses. “It is necessary to engage more strongly than before if the spirit which humanity needs is to be effective.”

The annual meeting of the Anthroposophical Society in Switzerland is a reflection of the motives and intentions of the School, in a dramatic new world situation. What is to be its contribution to the future?

*Peter Selg*

## Conference Programme

Open Conference for Members and Interested People

### Friday 10 February 2017

The conference will take place in German with simultaneous French and English translation.

16:30 **Meeting of Delegates**

18:30 Supper

20:00 **Foundation Stone Meditation**  
Eurythmy  
Goetheanum Ensemble  
Led by *Margrethe Solstad*

Opening by *Marc Desaulles*

**“The School of Spiritual Science:  
The Connection between  
Rosicrucian and Michaelic  
Impulses”**  
Lecture by *Stefano Gasperi*

### Saturday 11 February 2017

09:00 **A Musical Prelude**  
by *Milena Kowarik*, Cello

**“Being a Representative: Rudolf Steiner’s condition for the School”**  
Lecture by *Marc Desaulles*

10:00 Pause

10:30 **Demonstration about the Evening Eurythmy** with *Ingrid Everwijn* or **Work on the Rhythms of the Foundation Stone** with *Christine Cologna*

11:45 **“The Path over the Threshold: The 19 Lessons of the School of Michael”**  
Lecture by *Mario Betti*

12:45 Lunch

14:30 **The Significance of the First Class**  
Three Insights (*see reverse*)

16:30 **General Assembly and Commemoration of the Dead**  
(*Membership card required*)

18:30 Supper

20:00 **“The Realm of Space and Time: The development of the Mysteries”**  
Eurythmy Performance by the Eurythmeum CH,  
Led by *Ingrid Everwijn*

### Sunday 12 February 2017

07:45 **School of Spiritual Science: 14<sup>th</sup> First Class Lesson**  
(*Membership card required*)

09:00 **A Musical Prelude**  
by *Milena Kowarik*, Cello

**The Significance of the First Class**  
Three Insights (*see reverse*)

10:30 Pause

11:00 **“Rudolf Steiner and the Significance of the Spiritual School of Science for Civilisation”**  
Lecture and conclusions by *Peter Selg*

**The Michael Imagination**  
Eurythmy  
Goetheanum Ensemble  
Led by *Margrethe Solstad*

12:50 **Conference Closing**

13:00 **Youth Meeting**  
How can inner, spiritual work enliven and reaffirm my activity in the world? What is the role of a free School of Spiritual Science? We want to ask these questions in relation to the experiences of the conference.  
Registration and sign-up:  
[Milena Kowarik, milena@intergga.ch](mailto:milena@intergga.ch)

## Registration

The School of Spiritual Science. Her Significance and Purpose  
Annual Conference and Members' Meeting  
of the Anthroposophical Society in Switzerland  
at the Goetheanum from Friday, 10 to Sunday, 12 February 2017  
Booking closes: Friday, 27 January 2017  
Please complete the booking form and mail, fax or email to:  
Goetheanum Empfang, Postfach, CH-4143 Dornach  
Fax + 41 61 706 4446, Tel. + 41 61 706 4444 email tickets@goetheanum.org

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I need translation into     English     French

### Workshops

Registration for the Work on the Rhythms of the Foundation Stone with Christine Cologna (in German):  
at the information desk at the beginning of the conference  
Registration for the Youth Meeting: Milena Kowarik, milena@intergga.ch

### Conference ticket

Conference ticket (recommended financial contribution: CHF 180)

### Meals

- supper on Friday (CHF 25)  
 1x lunch and 1x supper on Saturday (CHF 50)

Parking at the Goetheanum     Parking permit (CHF 14)

Should you be unable to attend, please inform the Reception at the Goetheanum at least 1 day in advance  
so as to prevent unnecessary meals being ordered.

### Payment methods

Total financial contribution for conference ticket, meals and parking permit: CHF \_\_\_\_\_

- Payment by enclosed pay-in slip (CH)  
 Payment by credit card (all countries)     Visa     MasterCard  
Card number: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_    Expiry date: \_\_ / \_\_

I would like to receive the biannual programme of Goetheanum events (in German).

I agree to the terms of payment and cancellation.

Place, date, signature \_\_\_\_\_

Terms and Conditions of the Goetheanum will be sent on request or can be accessed online at  
[www.goetheanum.org/6025.html](http://www.goetheanum.org/6025.html).

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### Conference funding

Conference costs are covered by voluntary contributions: you can pay an amount of your choice either for  
your own attendance or, if you are unable to attend, to allow someone else to participate.  
With the exception of the delegates' meeting this conference is public and open to non-members.

### Travel support for participants

The Anthroposophical Society in Switzerland offers travel support for participants who need it.  
For more information please contact the secretariat of the Anthroposophical Society in Switzerland:  
[info@anthroposophie.ch](mailto:info@anthroposophie.ch), Fax +41 61 706 84 41.

### Conference meals

Conference meals (vegetarian) include 1x lunch and 1x supper on Saturday at CHF 50 in total. These meals  
cannot be booked separately. Additionally, a supper can be booked for Friday at CHF 25. We regret that  
food intolerances cannot be catered for.

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so as to prevent unnecessary meals being ordered.

### Parking permit

for the period of the conference: CHF 14 (not right next to the Goetheanum building).  
If you have a disability, please display your disability badge in your car.

### Confirmation

After your application has been received, you will receive confirmation of your booking and, if applicable,  
your meal and parking tickets.

### Conference tickets

Please collect your tickets on arrival at the Reception of the Goetheanum.

Data processing: All data will be electronically recorded and filed.

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### Goetheanum Guest Houses and Accommodation

Haus Friedwart    from CHF 75, about 5 min. walk to the Goetheanum  
phone +41 61 706 42 82, [www.friedwart.ch](http://www.friedwart.ch)  
Begegnungszentrum    from CHF 30, about 10 min. walk to the Goetheanum  
phone +41 61 706 42 82, [friedwart@goetheanum.ch](mailto:friedwart@goetheanum.ch)  
Accommodation bureau    rooms from CHF 55  
[kontakt@rooms-dornach.ch](mailto:kontakt@rooms-dornach.ch); [www.rooms-dornach.ch](http://www.rooms-dornach.ch)

Prices are per person per night. Prices for accommodation cannot be guaranteed.

You can find further accommodations on our website: [www.goetheanum.org/4283.html](http://www.goetheanum.org/4283.html)