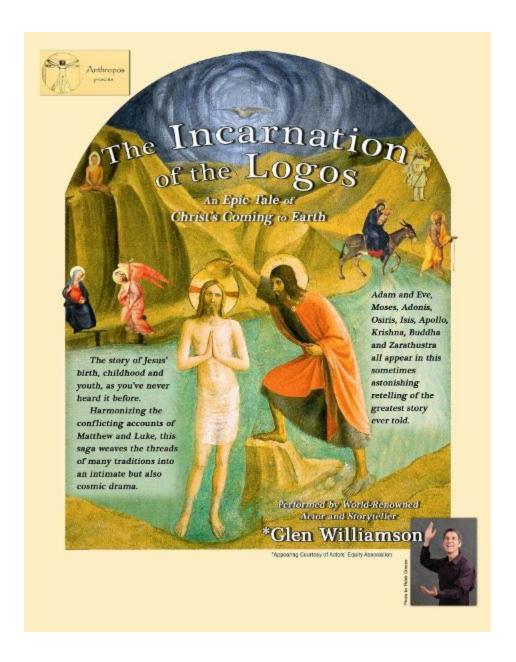
Anthroposophy Atlanta

Community News & Events
December 2016

Advent greetings! December has arrived. As much of the society around us prepares for the busy-ness of the increase in commerce, students of Anthroposophy are called to inwardly cultivate a sacred space for the Light to come into the world. Each individual can do this alone, and in consciousness we can come together for times to enkindle each other's inner light. This month we highlight several opportunities that members of our community are creating for us to come together in our collective striving for Enlightenment. Please join us!

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Glen Williamson Returns

Anthroposophy Atlanta is thrilled to announce that we are hosting **Glen Williamson** in December 2016. Through the arts and storytelling, Glen and his <u>Anthropos</u> <u>Theatre</u> seek to uphold and celebrate what is truly human. Glen starred in the role as *Johannes* in the Mystery Drama Festival held in 2014 and travels internationally performing his repertoire of one-man shows. This is his third visit to our branch and we warmly invite everyone to attend any and all of these exciting events and performances he will share with us. The workshops and performances are offered

with suggested donation amounts, but no one will be turned away for lack of ability to contribute financially. All proceeds will go directly to Glen.

Please send questions and RSVPs to Angela at <u>afoster@thirdbody.net</u>. RSVPs are not required, but help us plan seating and snacks.

Tuesday, December 13

10am at the ARC, Engaging with Rudolf Steiner's Mystery Dramas

Glen will speak about his experiences working with Rudolf Steiner's Mystery Dramas and how these dramas are relevant to our lives today. Hear about Glen's new Mystery Drama: <u>Future Dawning</u>, as well. Suggested donation \$10-\$20

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Tuesday, December 13

7pm at the ARC

An intimate performance of **The Incarnation of the Logos**

\$50-\$100 suggested donation due to very limited seating

The Incarnation of the Logos ~ An Epic Tale of Christ's Coming to Earth

The story of Jesus' birth, childhood and youth, as you've never heard it before. A Christmas tradition in several communities.

(One hour and fifteen minutes.)

Wednesday, December 14

10am to 12noon, at the ARC

Workshop: Preparing Oneself for the Holy Nights

The Holy Nights offer a special time for human beings to work with the Spiritual Realm. We will work together on ways we can consciously prepare our hearts to receive Love and Wisdom during this cosmic opening. Suggested donation \$10-\$25. Followed by soup and salad lunch (vegetarian).

Wednesday, December 14

7pm at Academe of the Oaks

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Suggested donation \$10-\$40

Friday, December 16

7pm at the ARC

performance of Kasper Hauser:

Kasper Hauser ~ The Open Secret of the Foundling Prince

In 1828 a 15-year-old boy appeared on the streets of Nuremberg, barely able to stand, walk or speak. Locked in the dark- with no human contact- for most of his childhood, he had been born a prince... A journey through darkness to light, the story explores what it means to be human.

Created as an epic fairytale with historical interludes, this story includes inspiring spiritual pictures as well as the latest scientific research about one of 19th Century Europe's most compelling figures. (Two hours with an intermission.)

Suggested donation	n \$10-\$40		

ARC Update

Have you heard about our new resource center, The ARC? From the outside it is just a little house in the residential neighborhood of Medlock Park in Decatur. But on the inside it's HUGE with resources and possibility! The front room houses the ALLA (see below to find out about the library), the back room is being used for study and classes, and the Rainbow Room is geared for children's classes and activities. There are two guest rooms available for overnight stays for out-of-town guests who are friends of the Branch, the Waldorf schools, the Christian Community, or artists, teachers, and friends of friends!

The growing list of community gifts that have been donated to the ARC is truly amazing. Dishes, kitchen supplies, bed and bath linens, original artwork, a printer, and even a new compost bin have all have been given by individuals for our community use. The generosity and willingness to share resources is an affirmation that we are creating something special between us all!

Currently, we are seeking financial donations to cover the cost of new chairs. We have already purchased wooden folding chairs with padded seats for use in meetings and classes. Each chair cost \$30. If you donate \$30 for a chair, you (or someone that you designate) will be listed as a donor on the back of the chair on a small plaque ~ Think of it as a way to support our community work in a concrete way for years to come (since no one wants to stand up for an hour during a study group!).

For more information about activities or to inquire about guest reservations, email Angela at arc@thirdbody.net

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Library News

Did you know that there is an Anthroposophic Lending Library in Atlanta (ALLA)? For two years now our collection has been slowly (and steadily) growing through generous donations of individuals and our national Anthroposophical Society. We currently have over 300 titles. The community is invited to browse, borrow books, or use the space for study. A catalog will be available soon on the branch website, but until then please email us book requests or questions at anthroposophyatlanta@gmail.com. The library is located at the ARC and is open on Tuesdays from 9am-230pm and other times by appointment. If you are looking for a time to visit, December is an especially good time- with the many study groups and Holy Nights offerings, it is easy to browse the collection before or after an event or gathering. Stop by and see what we have to offer!

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Ongoing Study Groups

Apocalypse of John - 1st Monday, 12pm-230pm (ARC)

Mystery Dramas - Tuesdays, 10am-1130am (ARC)

Theosophy - Tuesdays, 530pm-7pm (ARC)

Fifth Gospel - Wednesdays, 7pm-830pm (Academe)

Knowledge of Higher Worlds - Thursdays, 830am-10am (Decatur)

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Activities of Interest

Christian Community Devotional

Each month that a priest is not scheduled to be in Atlanta, members of the Christian Community gather together in a devotional mood to pray, sing and contemplate a Gospel reading. The next meeting is Sunday, December 4, 930am-11am (ARC), and new friends are always invited to attend. Contact Katherine Jenkins for more information at katjenks@negia.net

Advent Time – Advent Wreath

People all over the world prepare the space for a child to be born. Right before the new year is an auspicious time to prepare ourselves for something new to come. What are you expecting to be born anew in you? Are you ready to receive it? Come create an advent wreath as a tangible token to symbolically nest your dreams. If you do celebrate advent, you may also use the wreath with your children at home.



As we build the wreath, we will talk about the strength of the number four – four elements and four kingdoms of nature, also four bodies of the human constitution (according to the principles of Waldorf Education).

Saturday, **December 10, from 10 a.m. to 12:30**

Facilitator: Jolie Luba - Waldorf Educator and Consultant

Price: \$20 Registration. For more info: johaluba@yahoo.com

In Memoriam- a two-evening workshop led by Jolie Luba

The holidays are, for many people, a time to remember loved ones who have crossed the threshold. December 7 and 8 from 7:00 to 9:00 join friends who are interested in sharing experiences and creating a celebration to honor those who have passed. \$50 registration. Contact johaluba@yahoo.com

Community Tree Decorating - Sunday, December 11, 5pm-6pm (ARC)

Join us for fun ornament crafts, a toasty fire and sweet treats as we celebrate joyfully together!

**If you would like more information on any events or activities, please email us at anthroposophyatlanta@gmail.com.

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Community Contributions



Week 35 from Rudolf Steiner's Calendar of the Soul. Painted and hand-lettered by Angela Foster.

If you have an artistic creation, an article, an event or anything else you would like to share, please send it to anthroposophyatlanta@gmail.com. We welcome contributions!

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Upcoming Events

Christian Community Priest Visit, Rev. Carol Kelley will have a public talk, children's services, and Act of Consecration of the Human Being - January 20-21, 2017

Conscious Conversation Workshop with Carl Flygt - January 27-29, 2017

Branch Potluck Dinner - February 4, 2017

Christian Community Weekend Workshop: "The Broken Heart and the Mystery of the Cross" with Reverend Patrick Kennedy. March 10-12, 2017.

The Anthroposophy Atlanta Planning Committee is always interested in ideas for speakers, events and workshops that local friends want to participate in. Let us know what you are interested in and let's work together! Email us at anthroposophyatlanta@gmail.com