

**TOWARDS OUR COMMON SOPHIANIC FUTURE**  
**A SEMINAR IN LAPPEENRANTA BY THE LAKE SAIMAA, FINLAND**  
**Monday-Friday 22.-26.7.2019**

*Daily Program*

**Monday 22nd of July**

**14.00 Doors open, registration and payment**

**15.00 Opening of the seminar**

**Gongs by Lizz Daniels**

**Welcoming contributions by Markku Maula, Tuula Karkia and Natalia Haarahiltunen (Finland)**

**Practical information**

**16.30 Introduction to Kalevala**

**17.00 Refreshments**

**17.30 Artistic Kalevala performance**

**18.00 The Biography of Divine Sophia – Harrie Salman (Holland)**

**19.00 Open conversation in connection with the lecture**

**19.30 Evening ends**

**Tuesday 23rd of July**

**10.00 Our Mother prayer eurythmy in several languages**

**11.00 The Sophianic Arts - Harrie**

**12.00 Open conversation**

**12.30 Lunch break**

**15.00 Workshops (Prayer eurythmy: Maria Lindén (Sweden); Astrosophy: Natalia Haarahiltunen; Biography work connected to Kalevala: Tuula Karkia. These workshops continue on Thursday.)**

**16.30 Break**

**17.00 Sharing of the Sophianic themes**

**18.30 Dinner in nearby restaurants-free evening**

## ***Wednesday 24th of July***

***10.00 Paneurythmy in the park led by Harrie***

***11.30 Getting to know Lappeenranta on foot (history, nature, churches, bazaars...)***

***13.00 Lunch by the lake***

***15.00 Contribution by Are Thoresen (Norway) – introduction to his healing work and the Circle***

***17.00 Leaving for the port***

***18.00 Boat cruise on the Lake Saimaa until 21.00 – Dinner onboard***

## ***Thursday 25th of July***

***10.00 Community singing of the songs of Peter Deunov***

***Our Mother prayer in the original Russian***

***- Sabrina Wendtner (Austria)***

***Introduction "Towards a playful mind"***

***11.00 Sophia attacked by the Dragon – Harrie's introduction to Are's lecture***

***How the incarnation of Lucifer in China (around 2800 BC) has influenced today's society? - Are***

***12.15 Conversation***

***13.00 Lunch break***

***15.00 Workshops***

***16.45 Dinner break***

***19.00 Social evening with open stage until 21.00. Please, bring social/artistic contributions with you.***

## ***Friday 26th of July***

***10.00 Prayer eurythmy***

***10.45 How might the Future Culture of Sophia look? - Harrie***

***11.45 Final open conversation***

***13.30 Seminar ending with gongs***

***NOTE: This seminar is in English, without translations.***

## Registration

Please, contact at the latest by the end of June at [markku.maula@olen.to](mailto:markku.maula@olen.to), +358 40 5680352 (also whatsapp). Contribution for our seminar is 180 euros (including the boat trip on Wednesday evening and dinner on the boat). No other meals are included in the price. The contribution is payable in cash at arrival time on Monday from 14.00 onwards.

## Seminar location

Lappeenranta lies some 20 km from the Russian border. Our seminar takes place in an old wooden school building, built in 1888. It is called Lönnrotin koulu (The School of Lönnrot) named after the creator of the Finnish National Epic, Kalevala, Elias Lönnrot. The address is Lönnrotinkatu 1. It is situated in the center of Lappeenranta close to the Lake Saimaa. A large variety of shops, cafeterias and restaurants are close by. Meals are not provided in the school.

## Accommodation

Please, book your own accommodations. A few suggestions follow, where we have reserved rooms for the seminar.

### Huhtiniemi Camping

Address: Kuusimäenkatu 16, tel. +358 5 4515556, email: [riku.oksanen@huhtiniemi.com](mailto:riku.oksanen@huhtiniemi.com), [www.huhtiniemi.com/home/](http://www.huhtiniemi.com/home/)

Whole cabin for 1-4/persons only 45 euros/night. Breakfast not included. Fridge in the cabin. Bedclothes and towel not included in the price. Bedclothes 15 euros/person and towel 10 euros/person for the whole time. The toilets, showers and kitchens are located in the public service buildings of the area. 2 km/25 min. walk along the lakeside to the seminar place. By bus only 5-10 min to the seminar place. Wonderful camping place with a lovely beach. Our booking code: Sophia-seminar. (3 km from the railway station.) Please, book before the end of May.

### Summer Hotel Karelia-Park

Address: Korpraalinkuja 1, tel. +358 5 4530405, email: [park@karelia-park.fi](mailto:park@karelia-park.fi), [www.karelia-park.fi/en/](http://www.karelia-park.fi/en/)

Single rooms 64 euros/night, double rooms 76 euros/night. Breakfast and evening sauna included. Own kitchen and bathroom. 2,5 kms/30 min. walk along the lakeside to the seminar place, bus also possible. Registration upon arrival from 14.00 onwards. If you register later in the evening, please inform the hotel. Our booking code: Sophia-seminar. (3,5 km from the railway station.) Please, book before 10th of June.

### CitiMotel

Address: Kannelkatu 1, tel. +358 40 6897977, email: [citimotel@gmail.com](mailto:citimotel@gmail.com), [www.citimotel.fi/en/home/](http://www.citimotel.fi/en/home/)

Single rooms 49 euros/night, double rooms 65 euros/night, triple rooms 85 euros/night. Breakfast and sauna included. 1 km/10min walk to the seminar place. Private bathroom. Upon booking you'll get the door code to your email. Our booking code: Sophia-seminar. (10 min. walk from the railway station.) Please, book before 15th of May.

## Traveling

Lappeenranta is easy to reach by train from the Helsinki main railway station. The trip lasts only two hours. There are several trains running from early morning until late in the evening. From the Helsinki airport there is a half hour train ride to the Helsinki main railway station. Make sure to buy the ticket in the machine on the platform! Arriving to Lappeenranta railway station you can either have a 20 min. walk or take a taxi to the seminar place. (For trains from Helsinki to Lappeenranta, see: [vr.fi/cs/vr/en/timetable-search](http://vr.fi/cs/vr/en/timetable-search). Early booking will get you the cheapest tickets.

Depending on your flight to Helsinki, in some cases it may be a good idea to arrive in Finland and Lappeenranta already on Sunday the 21st of July. It would be wonderful to have you all in time for the start of the seminar on Monday 22nd of July at 15.00.

Arriving by car, you will drive from Helsinki to Lappeenranta (200 km) along the motorway E18 a little past the town of Porvoo and then take the road number 6 to Lappeenranta. This route in the summer takes about 2 ½ hours.

*The seminar is arranged by Friends of Sophia Foundation in Finland.*

## **Vladimir Solovyov**

### ***On Lake Saimaa in Winter*** (December 1894)

*Fully wrapped in a fluffy fur coat,  
Thou art lying in peaceful sleep and still.  
There is no sight of death in this radiant air,  
In this translucent, white silence.  
In firm, deep calmness  
I was not looking for Thee in vain, no!  
Thy picture is the same in front of the inner eye,  
Fairy, empress of the pine trees and rocks!  
Thou art innocent like the snow behind the mountains,  
Thou art museful, like the winterly night,  
Thou art glowing like the Northern Lights,  
enlightened daughter of the dark chaos!*

(translation from original Russian by Sabrina Wendtner)

Note: The Russian philosopher Vladimir Solovyov spent half a year in a pension house on Lake Saimaa not far from Lappeenranta, where the seminar will be held. Solovyov, the first one to develop the modern teaching of Sophia, experienced Sophia in the atmosphere of the lake as Saimaa Sophia. In his Saimaa poems he addressed her directly.

### ***The Kalevala; Rune VIII*** ***Maiden of the Rainbow***

*Pohjola's fair and winsome daughter,  
Glory of the land and water,  
Sat upon the bow of heaven,  
On its highest arch resplendent,  
In a gown of richest fabric,  
In a gold and silver air-gown,  
Weaving webs of golden texture,  
Interlacing threads of silver;  
Weaving with a golden shuttle,  
With a weaving-comb of silver;  
Merrily flies the golden shuttle,  
From the maiden's nimble fingers,  
Briskly swings the lathe in weaving,  
Swiftly flies the comb of silver,  
From the sky-born maiden's fingers,  
Weaving webs of wondrous beauty.*

(translation by John Martin Crawford, 1888)