

ASSISI 2023

6-12 August 2023

*“Oasi del Sacro Cuore” (Sacred Heart Oasis) Retreat Centre
Viale Vittorio Emanuele II, 5, Assisi, Italy*

THE WORLD SIGNIFICANCE AND MEANING OF THE FOUNDATION STONE OF LOVE: THE DODECAHEDRON OF THE MORAL ETHER

(Sacred Dances of the Four Verses of the Foundation Stone of Love)

ONE WEEK WORKSHOP/SEMINAR WITH ROBERT POWELL

**Musical accompaniment by violinist Vitale Cotofana
and later in the week also with pianist Fabio Berellini
English/German – with translation into Italian by Uberta Sebregondi**

Rudolf Steiner’s meditation on the Foundation Stone of Love was presented at Christmas-time in 1923. This year we celebrate the 100th anniversary of this event. Today, we can all receive the gift of these profound words and also be given the opportunity to move them, enabling one to connect with this meditation as a living experience. Robert Powell will lead us through harmonious forms and simple movements, leading to an embodied understanding and experience of the Foundation Stone Meditation. The gestures and forms are such that, while they are learnt together with others in a group, they can be practiced independently at home, bringing this meditation alive within and offering a profound enrichment to one’s daily life.

Robert Powell will also present some new research findings, especially relating to the year 2023 —a year during which we can not only reconnect with the cosmic and spiritual dimensions of what is taking place in the world at the present time, but also re-establish a spiritual relationship with Mother Earth through the moral ether. This direct interaction between human beings and the Earth Mother, on the one hand, and the beings of the starry heavens on the other hand, is intended to help toward finding our true calling as human beings to become Grail Bearers: to serve as a connecting link between Heaven and Earth.

Central to this inspiration is the Foundation Stone of Love, the Dodecahedron of the Moral Ether, which is Christ’s gift to humanity at this time of his Second Coming, opening up the flow of the moral ether enabling us to connect with the Earth Mother.

Musical accompaniment by violinist Vitale Cotofana will be joined later in the week by concert pianist Fabio Berellini for the Beethoven music (violin and piano) accompanying the Foundation Stone Meditation.

Please note that full pension (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) is possible at the seminar location, however, accommodation there is limited. Early registration is advisable.

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Accommodation and seminar are taking place at the Spiritual Retreat Centre *Oasi del Sacro Cuore* although most of the Eurythmy sessions will be at the Santa Chiarella Church up the hill from Oasi del Sacro Cuore.

SEE SEPARATE BROCHURE (www.sophiafoundation.org) FOR THE SEMINAR THE SEVEN APOCALYPTIC SEALS FROM 13-19 AUGUST 2023, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE FOUNDATION STONE OF LOVE SEMINAR, ALSO AT OASI DEL SACRO CUORE, MAKING IT EASY TO PARTICIPATE IN BOTH SEMINARS.

See daily program and workshop details on next page—

Daily Program

The seminar begins with dinner on Sunday evening, 6 August, at 7:00 pm, followed by an introduction at Oasi del Sacro Cuore (Sacred Heart Oasis), Viale Vittorio Emanuele II, 5, Assisi

- 07:30-09:00 Breakfast
- 09:00-09:30 Opening with movement exercises
- 09:30-10:45 Sacred Dance
- 11:15-12:30 Study relating to the theme of this seminar
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch
- 15:00-16:15 Study relating to the theme of this seminar
- 16:45-18:00 Sacred Dance
- 18:00-19:00 Break
- 19:00-20:15 Dinner
- 20:15-22:00 Celebration/Meditation with music on some evenings.

During the week there will be a free afternoon and evening to explore Assisi.

The seminar ends on Friday evening, 11 August, at 22:00 (10:00 pm) after the closing musical meditation/celebration that evening. Departure after breakfast on Saturday, 12 August, except for those staying for the second Assisi workshop / seminar.

Robert Powell, PhD is an internationally known lecturer, author, eurythmist and movement therapist. He is founder of the Choreocosmos School of Cosmic and Sacred Dance, and cofounder of the Sophia Foundation of North America. He received his doctorate from the Polish Academy of Sciences for his thesis on the *History of the Zodiac*, now available as a book from Sophia Academic Press. His published works include the following books: *Divine Sophia-Holy Wisdom*, *The Most Holy Trinosophia*, *The Sophia Teachings*, *The Mystery, Biography, and Destiny of Mary Magdalene*, *Elijah Come Again*, *Chronicle of the Living Christ*, *Hermetic Astrology* volumes 1 & 2, *The Star of the Magi and the Life of Christ*, *The Christ Mystery*, *The Sign of the Son of Man in the Heavens*, *Prophecy-Phenomena-Hope and Cultivating Inner Radiance & the Body of Immortality*. Robert is co-author with Kevin Dann of *Christ and the Maya Calendar* and *The Astrological Revolution*, with Lacquanna Paul of *Cosmic Dances of the Zodiac* and *Cosmic Dances of the Planets*, and with Estelle Isaacson of *Gautama Buddha's Successor* and *The Mystery of Sophia*. He is also consulting editor of the yearly *Star Wisdom Journal* with monthly ephemerides—planetary movements (geocentric & heliocentric)—with monthly commentaries for the year, and with many articles of interest by Robert and other authors. He translated the spiritual classic *Meditations on the Tarot* and co-translated Valentin Tomberg's *Lazarus, Come Forth!* He teaches a gentle form of healing movement: the sacred dance of eurythmy (Greek: *harmonious movement*) as well as the cosmic dances of the planets and signs of the zodiac. Through the Sophia Grail Circle he facilitates sacred celebrations dedicated to the Divine Feminine. Robert offers workshops in Europe each summer. With Karen Rivers, cofounder of the Sophia Foundation, he leads pilgrimages to the world's sacred sites (1996 Turkey; 1997 Holy Land; 1998 France; 2000 Britain; 2002 Italy; 2004 Greece; 2006 Egypt; 2008 India; 2009 Turkey; 2010 Grand Canyon; 2012 South Africa; 2014 Peru; 2016 Holy Land; 2018 Bali).

Websites: www.sophiafoundation.org / www.astrogeographia.org / www.steinerbooks.org / www.sophiaschoolofmovement.org

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For the Foundation Stone of Love seminar, see below registration, information and further details concerning cost, accommodation and registration for this 6-12 August seminar in Assisi

TRAVEL:

Train: 2 hours from Rome, or about 3 hours from Florence, to Assisi/S.M. degli Angeli railway station. From Sant'Egidio airport (Perugia) to Assisi takes less than ½ hour. Here with some links:

- [How to reach Assisi by car](#)
- [How to reach Assisi by Train](#)
- [How to reach Assisi by Air](#)

Arrival on Sunday, 6 August. Accommodation and seminar at the “Oasi del Sacro Cuore” Retreat Centre, Viale Vittorio Emanuele II, 5, Assisi. The retreat centre is just in front of the bus stop directly connecting to the Assisi train station, and to the upper historic center of Assisi.

Free private parking. Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/nZZiJYtZeoH2>

Dinner at 19:00 (7:00 pm).

Oasi del Sacro Cuore Retreat Centre is situated in a large and beautiful garden, with olive trees, opening onto the road to San Damiano (5 minutes walk), and Saint Clare’s Basilica is about 10 minutes walk.

No evening closing time.

Departure on Saturday, 12 August after breakfast (Breakfast is from 7:30 am).

COSTS 2023

COST OF COURSE WITHOUT ACCOMMODATION AND WITHOUT MEALS: EURO 350

PAYMENT OF EURO 350 IS DUE UPON ARRIVAL IN ASSISI ON SUNDAY, 6 AUGUST.

IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT UBERTA SEBREGONDI:

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REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE COURSE 6-12 August 2023

Name:

Address:

Phone number and email address;

Amount due on 6 August for the course: EURO 350

Send registration form to Uberta Sebregondi: viale Guglielmo Massaia 18, Sc. N/1, 00154 Roma, Italy. Tel: +39-06-45544847, Mobile: +39-335-6749935 (39 is the country code for Italy). Email: usebregondi@gmail.com

FOR THOSE STAYING AT “OASI DEL SACRO CUORE”:

<http://www.oasisacrocuoreassisi.com/>

DAILY RATES 2023 — per person/per day —

Half board: € 50 / Full board: € 57

Oasi Sacro Cuore is situated in a large natural park, a short distance from San Damiano http://www.santuariosandamiano.org/home_eng.html and St. Clare’s Basilica <http://www.sanfrancescoassisi.org/en/st-francis/places/basilica-of-st-clare>

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Assisi is located on a natural terrace facing south-west, which gives us enchanting sunsets and a wide view of the summer constellations, which is also suitable for Stargazing (weather permitting)—central to both seminars at Oasi del Sacro Cuore this August 2023.