



Anthroposophical Society in Western Cape present:  
**The First Goetheanum as Modern  
Mystery Temple**

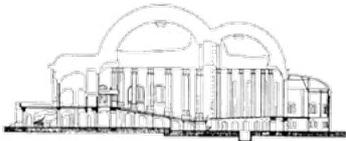
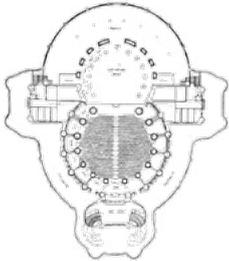
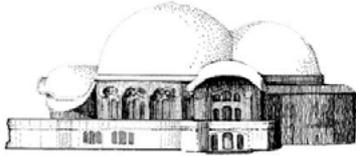
*– a Centenary Celebration*



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Wednesday 24th to Saturday 27th July – Sophia House  
18 Firfield Road, Plumstead – 021 761 9600

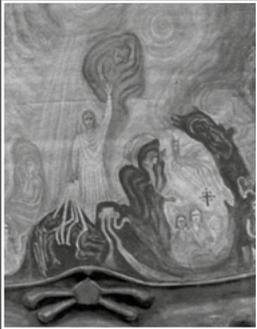
# Programme



	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9h45				Tea
10h15				Workshop - Review
11h15				Presentation
12h30				Closing
17h30		Workshops	Workshops	
19h00		Supper	Supper	
19h30	Opening Address			
19h45		Presentation	Presentation	
21h00	Closing	Closing	Closing	

*As early as 1907 Rudolf Steiner aimed to make public an artistic impulse resulting from the theosophical (later called anthroposophical ) experience of spiritual reality. On the 20th of September 1913 the foundation stone of the First Goetheanum building was laid, and over the next ten years – and even through the turmoil of the First World War – an active community of enthusiastic co-workers drawn from seventeen nations worked together to produce an unprecedented ‘total work of art’! Thereby a completely new approach to architecture, sculpture, painting and drawing/coloured glass was initiated. Once completed the building became the place where the renewal of music, speech, drama and movement (in the newly created art of Eurythmy) could continue in a setting befitting this development.*

*This centenary celebration aims not only to highlight and reassess the significance of the First Goetheanum in this world-historic impulse for the arts, but also to sow the seeds for our ongoing work out of Anthroposophy in South Africa.*



First Goetheanum Windows  
Motiff & Capitals

## PRESENTATIONS

Wednesday 24th July

**'THAT WHICH WE WILL': the challenge of the First Goetheanum – Wilfried Bohm**

An introduction to the initiative that led to the building of the First Goetheanum and how the promise of that building for our age has been taken into the future.

Thursday 25th July

**WHAT IS THE RELEVANCE OF THE GOETHEANUM CAPITALS IN THE 21ST CENTURY? – Keith Struthers**

The Capitals were burned to ashes a century ago. How can we bring them back to life in our times in a way which makes them immediately relevant to an inner path of spiritual development? Not as a replicated outer work of art but as a medium for inner development.

Friday 26th July

**STREAMS OF HISTORY IN AN OCEAN OF COLOUR – Cyril Coetzee**

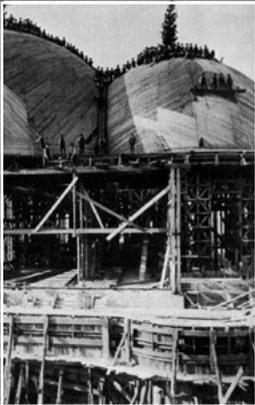
- A broad overview of the cupola paintings of the First Goetheanum
- Rudolf Steiner's indications for a new spiritualized painting impulse
- Some recollections by painters who worked with Steiner on the cupolas
- Significance of Rudolf Steiner's painting impulse in our time

Saturday 27th July

**EXPLORING THE GOETHEANUM WINDOWS: Walking to the Threshold – Renate Sleigh**

Some suggested preparatory reading:

1. Hagen Biesantz and Arne Klingborg: *The Goetheanum: Rudolf Steiner's Architectural Impulse* – Rudolf Steiner Press
2. Rudolf Steiner: *Ways to a New Style in Architecture*
3. Karl Kemper: *Der Bau*
4. Arnhild Rosenkrantz: *A New Impulse in Art*
5. Rudolf Steiner: *The Arts and their Mission*
6. Rudolf Steiner: *Art in the Light of Mystery Wisdom*



## WORKSHOPS

### **A. WORDS AND WINDOWS – Eurythmy Workshop with Cobie Roelvert**

*The nine coloured windows of the Goetheanum show in picture form the path of inner development. Through Eurythmy and observation we will experience the inscriptions Rudolf Steiner gave for each of the windows, as well as verses written later to elucidate the images of the windows.*

*Please note: Some Eurythmy shoes are available, or bring your own or other soft shoes.*

### **B. THINKING IN FORM – with Keith Struthers**

*Working with the capitals as a path to imaginative consciousness.*

### **C. SPACE AS EXPRESSION OF CONSCIOUSNESS – with Wilfried Bohm**

*Exploring introvert and extrovert forms in initiation temples through different media.*

## COST:

*Members – R250*

*Pensioners/ Students – R150*

*Non-members – R350*

*Meals – R20*

## BOOKING ESSENTIAL

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