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So much more

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Editor's Note

The Rise & Rise of the Paranormal Celebrity!

In an era of reality TV, YouTube, and social media it seems that everyone wants to be a paranormal celebrity and have their own reality TV show. Once you have attained the celebrity status you immediately become, if by magic, an authority on all things paranormal.

Of course a great paranormal reality TV show draws everyone in with the expectation of genuine ghostly adventures but unfortunately most ghost hunting shows can be seen as "pure theatre" and as one critic quoted in a recent article they are as comparable to the genre of professional wrestling with its formulaic, teasing approach.

Wearing the standard uniform with the baseball cap worn back to front, referring to their colleagues as dudes and bros' and trying to emulate something creepy to thrill their audience, you almost end up with an episode of Scooby-Doo.

Regardless of what paranormal investigation show you are watching currently each episode features the same tired production techniques, night vision footage and sound effects. Surely we deserve something a little more authentic and professional!

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Festival of the Dead



In ancient times people were highly superstitious and in awe of times and places "in between". Places like sacred sites, bridges and cross roads were considered border places – thresholds between the seen and the unseen.

During the colder months of the year especially around Samhain at the commencement of autumn, it is believed that the dead, and the dwellers of the Other World, walked amongst the living. Samhain was the time of release of spirits from the underworld

and that winter was the Season of Ghosts. That probably explains why paranormal activity can be more prevalent during the colder months.

Many Irish and Scottish Celts and other tribal cultures appeased their dead with a traditional Dumb Supper or a Feast of the Dead. At the celebration of the ancestors a supper was usually served in honour of our passed loved ones, and one place was set at the head of the table for them. This place was served food and

drink. Afterwards, the untouched food were taken outside for other creatures of the night.

In almost every culture there is a belief that the dead should be honoured, be it out of respect or a fear of ghostly retribution. In some cultures there are holidays set aside specifically to commemorate the dead, which vary from reserved veneration to a festival that parties on for a few days. The following are a small list of cultural festival of the dead celebrations:



Chuseok is a major festival and three-day holiday in South Korea, celebrated to give thanks to dead ancestors for an abundant harvest. During this holiday, Koreans make their way back to their ancestral home to perform rituals early in the morning including the preparation of a special kind of rice cake called a Songpyeon, which is left out for (and presumably eaten by) dead ancestors.



Qingming, also called Ancestors Day or Tomb-Sweeping Day, is a Chinese national holiday celebrated in mid-April when families

go to the tombs of their ancestors and give them a good clean. They also offer things like food, tea, and joss paper—thought to have great value in the afterlife. It is said to date back to A.D. 732, from the reign of Tang emperor Xuanzong. The emperor is said to have declared that there were too many extravagant celebrations of ancestors, and that such celebrations should be reserved only for Qingming.



The Mexican cousin of All Saint's Day and All Souls' Day, the Day of the Dead is observed on the first and second of November. It is probably the most recognisable of the holidays due to its associated imagery of grinning skeletons, happily re-appropriated for the decoration of Mexican restaurants the world over. Day of the Dead is most widely celebrated in Mexico, where it is a national holiday, but is also observed in countries such as the Philippines, and the United States.

Day of the Dead has its origins in an Aztec harvest celebration, where a month-long observance was overseen by the Goddess Mictecacihuatl—the Lady of the Dead.

The imagery associated with El Día de los Muerto is not meant to be ghoulish, instead it is intended to be a grand celebration of the deceased. Masks are worn and there is much feasting, singing, and dancing.

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Who are the Black-Eyed Children?

Janine Donnellan

I love a good urban myth and the one that has caught my eye is the one about the Black Eyed Children. Black-eyed children (or black-eyed kids) are an urban legend of paranormal creatures that resemble children between the ages of 6 and 16, with pale skin and black eyes, who are reportedly seen hitchhiking or are encountered on doorsteps of residential homes. Tales of black-eyed children have appeared in pop culture since the late 1990s.

So I have been scrolling the internet for hours reading a plethora of personal experiences about these creepy children and their nocturnal wanderings and there appears to be a pattern of behaviour in each story. They often travel in pairs like the Jehovah Witnesses (an interesting thought) and they always want to get into your house or car on the pretence that they are lost or some other lame excuse. I am not sure what they do once you let them in but I guess you either get converted or you never live to tell the tale.

When in doubt about something one should always consult Wikipedia which states that the supposed origins of the legend are from the 1998 postings written by Texas reporter Brian Bethel on a "ghost-related mailing list" relating to alleged encounters with "black eyed kids" in Abilene, Texas and Portland, Oregon. Bethel's stories gained such popularity that he published a FAQ "just to keep up with demand for more info about the new urban legend.

A movie was released in 2012 called the Black Eyed Children and since then there has been a rise in sightings around the world.



Of course the alleged sightings have been taken seriously by ghost hunters, some of

them believe black eyed children are extra-terrestrials or even possibly vampires!

According to one theory found on the internet the children could be related to the "Men In Black" who have also appeared with pitch black eyes to intimidate UFO witnesses. Perhaps these black eyed beings are of the same race as the MIB, who may now be unemployed.

It has been an amusing few hours reading these personal accounts and I even became quite excited when I came across the following Australian account of a black eyed person.

[FROM THE SHADOWS TRUE TALES OF THE PARANORMAL BY JASON OFFUTT](#)

Black-Eyed Woman in Australia

New faces at the disability health care center where Janita works in Melbourne, Australia, aren't uncommon.

"We have lots of part-time workers and casual workers. Every day of the week there is different people helping us," she said.

But one day in October 2010 a woman came to work with Janita – a woman who terrified her.

"This day was very busy," Janita said. "We had a new worker with us. She was a female from Sydney. Petite blonde, long-haired lady, green eyes."

The new co-worker, Sophie, "seemed nice," but something about her struck Janita as odd.

"For some reason I didn't feel comfortable being around her," Janita said.

During Sophie's first day on the job, Janita was assisting a disabled child in a wheelchair when she needed help.

"My manager asked me to get Sophie," Janita said.

Someone had last seen Sophie in the break room, but when Janita walked in, the room was empty.

“She had just disappeared from the lounge room,” she said. “My manager went into the other rooms to find her and I went towards the bathrooms.”

Janita made her way to the back of the building to the bathrooms and found Sophie. She wished she hadn't.

“I will never forget what I saw,” Janita said. “She was standing in the middle of the bathroom. She turned around and looked at me with huge black eyes.”

There were no irises in Sophie's eyes and no whites – just black voids that burned themselves into Janita's memory.

“She was staring at me,” Janita said. “It felt like she had no soul. It felt evil.”

Janita shot out of the bathroom and ran toward a room she knew would have people – the kitchen. Her manager was there.

“My manager just looked at me,” Janita said. “Then Sophie appears from the back room towards the kitchen like nothing happened. Her eyes were back to green.”

But Janita knew what she saw, and she knew the evil she felt radiating from that woman.

“I didn't want to be around her,” Janita said. “I had to leave work that day. I told my manager I would be taking a couple of days off.”

When Janita returned to work days later, Sophie had returned to Sydney (598 miles) – but Janita couldn't dismiss her fear.

“I found out that Sophie kept asking my manager about me,” she said. “It was scary. I never want to see her again.”

Sophie also chilled one of Janita's co-workers, Emma. Emma said she didn't feel at ease around Sophie either and suspected something sinister about the woman.

“She felt uncomfortable being around her, too,” Janita said. “When I told Emma what I saw she said, ‘I believe you. But keep away, she might be a lizzie.’”

This comment confused Janita.

“I said, ‘what do you mean?’” Janita said. “That's when Emma said, ‘You know, reptilians. They're supposed to run the world and have invaded this planet and they can shape-shift into anything. They're evil.’”

Conspiracy theorists, such as author David Icke, claim all the world governments and major financial institutions are secretly controlled by a race of reptilian extra-terrestrials that can appear human.

“After she said that to me, I started reading about it,” Janita said. “It has actually scared me and I don't want to look into people's eyes anymore. I try and avoid the eyes.”

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I have nothing more to add to this article only to say if you are sitting in your living room one night and you hear a harsh knock on the front door and you think to yourself “Who could it possibly be?” Think twice before you open the door.

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Popular Misconceptions about the Paranormal

There are certain misconceptions about paranormal and anomaly research that have gained widespread currency, even though there is little or no compelling evidence to back them up. Since the same misconceptions come up again and again, it makes sense to list them in one central place. The list will be added to from time to time.

Here is a list of just a few of the commoner misconceptions, along with reasons why they are wrong.

EMF Meter Misconceptions

Popular misconception: EMF meters can detect EIFS.

The reality: EIFs are experience inducing fields. They are a particular kind of complex, varying weak magnetic fields that have been shown in the laboratory to induce magnetic hallucinations, resembling such things as ghosts. The vast majority of EMF meters are incapable of detecting EIFs because they cannot distinguish EIFs from other common sources of electromagnetic fields. This is because they don't capture relevant frequency information.

Popular Misconception: EMF meters can detect ghosts.

The reality: There is no compelling evidence that this is true. There are one or two

anecdotes around about but they are extremely vague, severely lacking in relevant details and often a source. What is needed is a proper study showing consistent EMF meter reading changes while people are actually seeing ghosts. Not only is there no such study, at present, but there are good theoretical reasons (such as their inability to distinguish between different sources of electromagnetic fields) for thinking an EMF meter could never act as a ghost detector.

Ghost Misconceptions

Popular misconception: Ghosts are spirits. Or hallucinations. Or misperceptions. Or telepathy. Or 'recordings'. And so on.

The reality: The most popular idea is that ghosts are spirits. People also often debate whether ghosts might be hallucinations, misperception, telepathy, 'recordings' or lots of other possibilities. However, the evidence from careful investigation of ghost cases shows that different ghost sightings actually have different causes.

Ghosts (which can be practically defined as 'human - sometimes animal - figures, witnessed by someone, which cannot be physically present') are a 'multiple cause phenomenon', with quite different explanations resulting in similar sightings! Some ghost sightings are caused by hallucination, many others by misperception, and some by coincidence and so on. This explains how ghosts can apparently have quite different characteristics in different cases. A witness

may apparently interact with a ghost when it is caused by hallucination but this won't happen with one caused by misperception. Oddly enough, given popular ideas about ghosts, there is little, if any, evidence that they are spirits. Most ghost sightings, when carefully investigated, prove to be caused by misperception or hallucination.

The problem with looking for a single explanation for all ghost sightings is that the evidence is, overall, highly contradictory. This makes it impossible to come up with a testable theory that would explain all the evidence. But when different explanations are considered for different sightings, it soon becomes obvious that the term 'ghost' actually covers a whole group of phenomena that all result in someone seeing a human figure! The reason why ghosts are often considered a single phenomenon appears to be due to the strong cultural meme that sees ghosts as spirits.

Popular Misconception: Ghosts haunt!

The reality: In the narrow dictionary sense, a ghost does indeed 'haunt'. But the phenomena reported as hauntings are somewhat different. A haunting is a series of unexplained strange incidents generally associated with a particular physical location. Though these are commonly attributed to the actions of a ghost, there is often little evidence for this. In many cases no apparition is ever seen. Further, when apparitions ARE seen, they are not doing the things reported in the haunting, like moving objects, knocking on walls and so on. The idea that there are invisible ghosts causing hauntings is an assumption rather than something supported by compelling evidence. Many of the odd things that occur in a haunting case are often found, on investigation, to have different, unrelated causes. Ghosts are also frequently sighted where there are no associated haunting phenomena.

A widely noticed, but rarely discussed, feature of hauntings brings yet further doubt to the idea that ghosts cause hauntings. As everyone who has ever organized a ghost vigil knows, strange phenomena are not evenly spread through a haunted location but occur at particular hot spots. Other areas produce no

reports of strange activity. Furthermore, these hot spots usually have the same phenomena happen each time they are observed. So footsteps might be heard in one room, but never in others, and objects may move solely in a kitchen. It is difficult to reconcile these hot spots with the idea of a ghost moving freely around and purposefully 'haunting' a property.

Popular Misconception: Most ghosts are invisible most of the time.

The reality: This is such a widely held assumption that it seems odd that it is not apparently supported by compelling evidence. Here is a summary of where the evidence ought to be: (a) witnesses often see ghosts vanish - this could be accounted for with sightings caused by misperception or hallucination, as many are; (b) witnesses sometimes report seeing partial or (very rarely) transparent ghosts - these, too, could be accounted for by misperception or hallucination; (c) haunt phenomena - see 'ghosts haunt' above; (d) there are photos showing figures that were not seen by the photographer at the time of exposure - [but see here](#); (e) there are photos showing transparent figures - [but see here](#).

The evidence shows that ghosts are a 'multiple cause phenomenon'. It is therefore difficult to generalize about the characteristics of all ghosts. This may explain why it is so difficult to pin even one consistent property - that they are mostly invisible - on them.

Paranormal investigation Misconceptions

Popular misconception: Witness testimony is generally reliable and accurate.

The reality: We all tend to feel that what we personally experience and remember is an accurate representation of reality. However, research shows this not to be the case. Right from the moment of perception, what we experience is only an approximation of real physical reality. Indeed our brains offer us the edited highlights of what our eyes actually see.

And after the experience, our memories fade and alter over time.

Popular Misconception: Witness testimony, being anecdotal, is of no value.

The reality: While, as discussed in the previous point, witness testimony is not generally very accurate, it does not follow that it has no value. When someone reports a mundane, trivial incident they are highly likely to be believed. However, they are no more nor less likely to be accurate than if they reported something extraordinary (when they may not be so readily believed). The difference is, thus, due to what is being reported rather than the witness themselves. In every case, when someone witnesses something there is an explanation, whether it is an external objective event or an internal subjective one. To dismiss all reports of the extraordinary as 'imagination' or 'made up', particularly when multiple reports show common elements, is thus clearly not a credible position. On investigation, few such 'extraordinary' reports are easily dismissed. In many cases the witness has an objective experience but with subjective elements - in other words they misperceive something perfectly real as something else, which isn't.

Misperception happens all the time as part of our normal sensory perception, it is simply rarely noticed. Just occasionally it produces something apparently extraordinary. Thus, there is nothing 'wrong' with the witness, nor their report. They have had a perfectly valid experience, no more nor less real than the ones we all have had at some time. The fact that many paranormal reports contain common elements points to a valid experience worthy of study. Even misperception involves an objective external sensory stimulus.

Popular Misconception: Investigators can never get at the truth of an incident because they weren't there.

The reality: While investigators who are not present at an incident will never experience what the witness did, it does not follow that they cannot explain the observation.

Investigators can use techniques, like cognitive interviewing, to obtain as much accurate detail as possible from witnesses. In addition, they can examine the area where the incident occurred to look for evidence that might explain the witness report (see here for instance). Most importantly, they can use their knowledge of many similar incidents to reconstruct how a reported event may have happened.

Popular Misconception: Science cannot be used to investigate the paranormal.

The reality: Let us assume, for the sake of argument, that the paranormal involves forces and effects beyond the current state of science to detect or measure, as some claim. The fact that we receive reports of the paranormal shows that, at some point, these paranormal effects must somehow impinge on the ordinary world. If they did not, we could not experience them. And if an effect occurs in the ordinary physical world, even if it is only a subjective experience in someone's brain, it must be measurable by science. So, even if we cannot measure the paranormal itself, we can measure its effects. So, it follows that science IS an appropriate tool to study the paranormal, no matter what its origin.

Paranormal photo Misconceptions

Popular misconception: Most paranormal photos are fakes.

The reality: Most apparently paranormal photos do not show anything paranormal. However, only a tiny minority are deliberately faked. The vast majority are photographic artefacts like orbs. The number of fakes may have increased lately, due to the ease with which smart phones can produce 'ghost photos' very easily through 'apps', but they still form only a small minority of the hundreds examined by ASSAP. Whether there are any genuinely paranormal photos out there remains debatable.

Popular Misconception: Orbs are caused by bits of dust.

The reality: Most orbs are indeed caused by bits of dust ([watch dust turn into orbs here](#)), as well as insects, water droplets and other small objects. However, the crucial missing part of this explanation is that all these objects are actually OUT OF FOCUS. This fact explains such defining aspect of orbs as their characteristic circular (or sometimes diamond) shape. The idea is expanded in the orb zone theory which has been tested and explains known characteristics of orbs in detail.

Popular Misconception: Some orbs are caused of moisture.

The reality: Some orbs are caused by water droplets. It might seem like nit-picking but 'moisture' implies water vapour, which is a gaseous form of water that is invisible and so cannot form orbs. To form orbs, an object must

be able to reflect light, which water vapour cannot. Water droplets by contrast, in the form of rain drops (where it can form tails) or mist or fog, DO reflect light.

Popular misconception: A tiny percentage of orbs really are paranormal.

The reality: This could be true except that (a) there is no current compelling evidence for it and (b) no current consistent way of distinguishing 'ordinary' orbs from supposed paranormal ones. There have been many objections made to the naturalistic interpretation of orbs. They have, however, been thoroughly investigated and are dealt with [here](#).

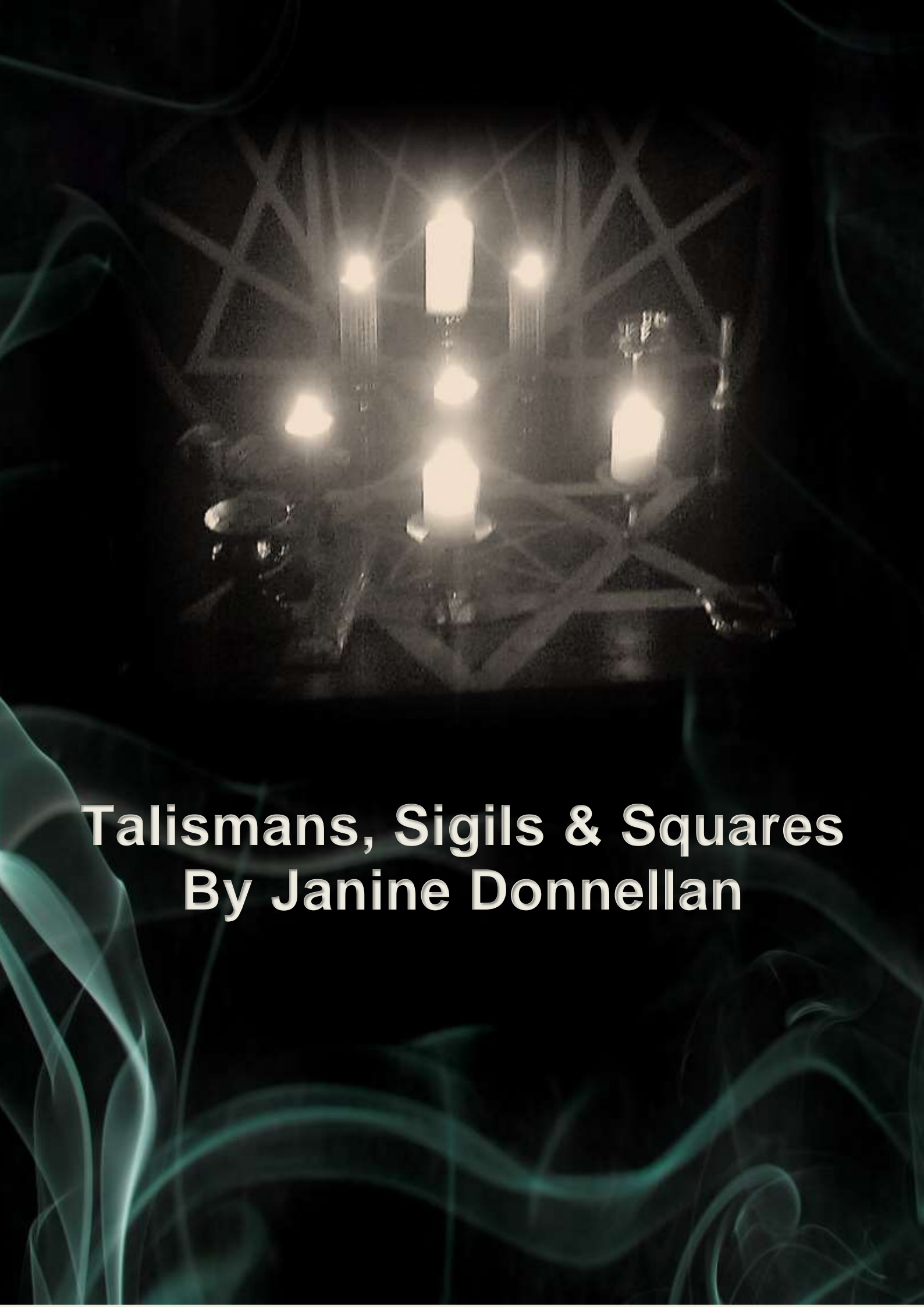
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A vibrant, ethereal landscape featuring rolling green hills in the foreground. In the center, a bright, multi-colored beam of light descends from a city skyline (resembling Sydney) that appears to be floating in the sky. Several translucent, multi-colored spheres (orbs) are shown along the light beam and floating in the air. The background is a soft, hazy sky with clouds.

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Talismans, Sigils & Squares

By Janine Donnellan

The Talisman is an object impregnated with magic signs or symbols which by the nature of its vibration, energy and intent can bring about a change in circumstances. Talismans are usually objects or inscriptions infused with power and positive energy which is duly passed to its possessor. The Talisman contains magical symbols & sigils that represent beliefs, perceptions, and concepts formed in the mind but aligned to universal & cosmic laws. Mystical symbols have been used for hundreds if not thousands of years and have over time developed a specific energy, and they remain forever intact because they are based on incorruptible principles of the universe.

A sigil is usually made up of a combination of specific symbols or geometric figures each with a specific meaning or intent. The sigil can be as a simple process of combining key letters of the alphabet or can be a combination of ancient symbols and sacred geometry. The sigil can be a stand-alone symbol or can be incorporated in a talisman or amulet to add power to the intent.

alchemists. In modern uses, the concept was mostly popularised by Austin Osman Spare, who published a method by which the words of a statement of intent are reduced into an abstract design; the sigil is then charged with the will of the creator.

Sigils have many potential uses. Psychic protection is a common one; as well it can be used for healing. It can also be used to manifest a desire and power can be added to the desire by writing down the sigil in a symbolic form, and then burning it.



In a post-modern context, businesses may use logos as their sigils and invest them with a comparable degree of prestige or power. The idea that these symbols are consciously used as magical tools is a popular idea among some occultists.



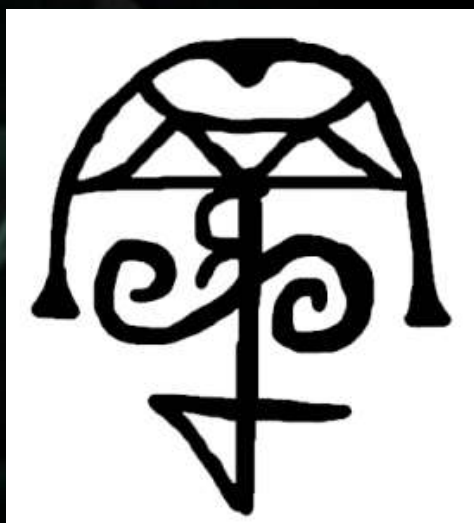
The term sigil derives from the Latin sigillum meaning "seal," though it may also be related to the Hebrew segulah (meaning "word, action or item of spiritual effect"). A sigil may have an abstract, pictorial or semi-abstract form. It may appear in any medium -- physical, virtual, or mental. Visual symbols are the most popular form, but the use of aural and tactile symbols in magic is not unheard of.

Sigil magic is a common form of magical work among occult practitioners; symbols and signs have always been a tool of magicians and

The pentacle is the most powerful sigil used in neo-pagan witchcraft and by many occultists. Individuals can adopt their personal sigils by selecting a letter from the rune or Theban alphabets. They have personal, secret meanings and are often inscribed on magical tools used in occult practices and ceremonies.

Sigils designs are often derived from geometric shapes, astrological signs, or alchemical symbols. They may incorporate signs, such as crosses and icons associated with different deities. Some of the best sigils are attained through intuition and inspiration.

There are several types of sigils. Word sigils are the most common and are made by taking a statement of your intent and reducing it to key letters. Those letters are then combined to make a symbol to be used in magic, charms or ritual.



The best way to create sigils is just to play around with the formation of letters. These are specific symbols of power for you only and no one else needs to be able to recognize your intentions. There is no right or wrong system. As with all magic the most important ingredient is intent.

Magic squares can also be incorporated into your Talisman or can be used separately for protection or for healing or creating wealth. During ancient times in China, India and Arabia magic squares were used in practices of occult, magic and astrology. They have been and still are worn as amulets for protection.

Magic squares work by utilizing a number or letter assigned to a square, the squares are divided into parts with each part becoming a square within the larger square and when read horizontally, vertically or diagonally the same sums or words are produced.

The Sator Square is an ancient charm of great power and mystery. The earliest example was discovered scratched on a wall in the buried city of Pompeii and dated back to the first century AD. The Sator Square is a powerful charm that can protect the bearer from evil as well as bring strength and power.

Medieval European culture preserved the formula in grimoires as a powerful written cipher and all-purpose protective charm. It was employed to keep women safe in childbirth, for protection of buildings against fire, and for the cure of insanity or fever.

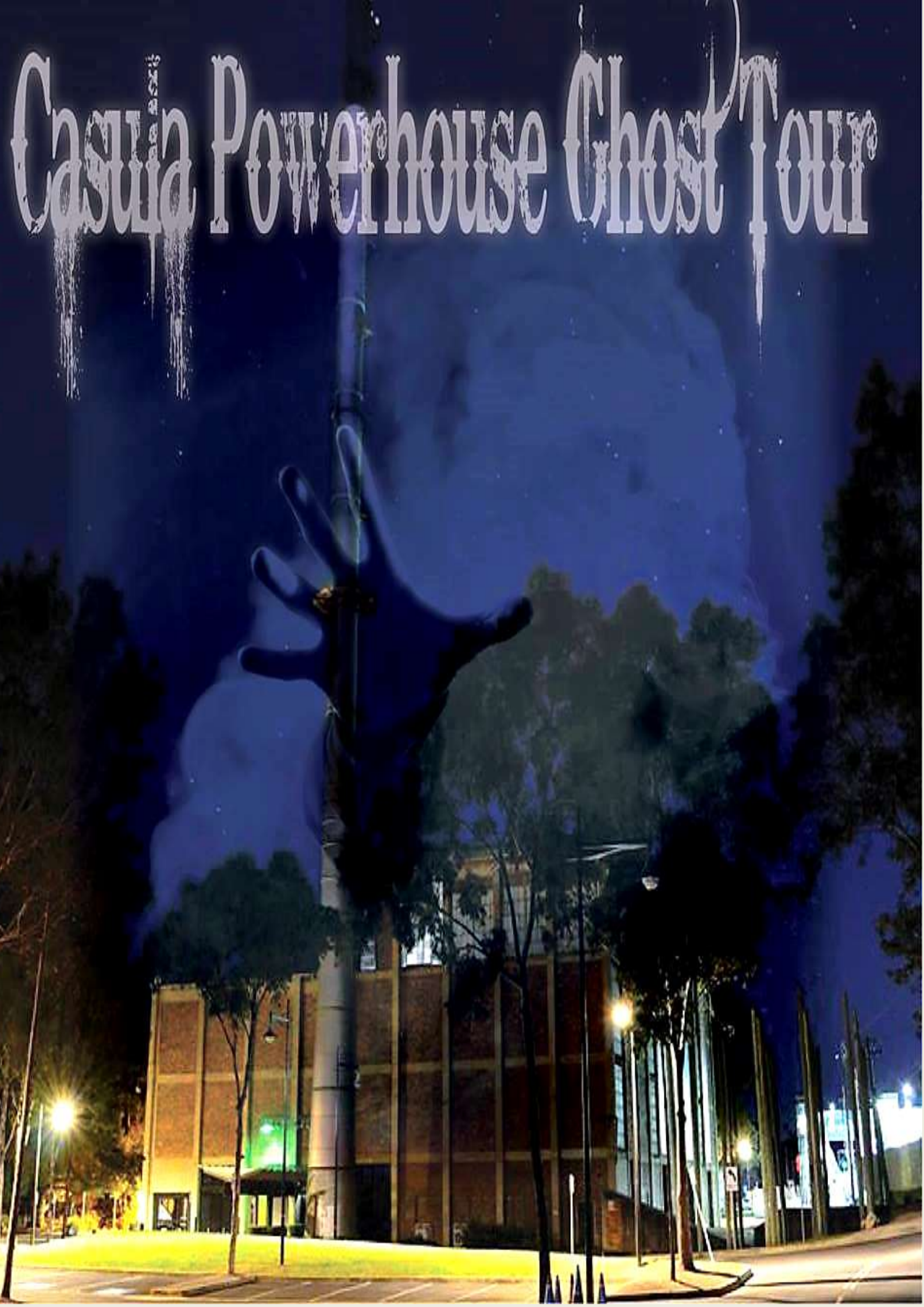
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As you can see, the magic square reads the same way in all directions: Sator Arepo Tenet Opera Rotas. The words are Latin, and literally they translate as "The Sower Arepo holds the wheels with care." However, the form of the magic square is far more important than its meaning, and there is no scholarly consensus about the precise significance of the words, if any. The very ambiguity of the words, and the power of the palindrome form, historically has allowed the magic square to be appropriated to many different ends.

One must always be aware that when constructing components for magical purposes, the creator of such a magical object whether it be a Talisman, Amulet or a spell carries the burden of responsibility and the intent of the magic should be used with clear motives.

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Casula Powerhouse Ghost Tour



THE GHOST OF THE PRINCESS THEATRE MELBOURNE

Princess Theatre is a theatre in the Victoria capital of Melbourne, in Australia. Built in 1854 by Charles Coppin, the Theatre was one of two theatres owned by Coppin in Melbourne. Although the Princess Theatre is often seen as one of Melbourne's first theatres, the site it is built on was once the location of 'Astley's Amphitheatre', a smaller theatre. Coppin bought Astley's and grandly rebuilt and redesigned it into the Princess Theatre, which officially opened in 1857.

In 1885 the Theatre was bought by J.C Williamson, who renovated the theatre into what is now seen today. The theatre was redesigned in 'Second Empire' style and became much more widely known. The Theatre also became the first theatre to have a retractable roof. The Princess Theatre was

proclaimed to be equal to the Paris Opera in France.





It is ironic that a building which has such a beautiful name could have such a terrible phantom haunting its interior.

The spirit that resides in the Princess Theatre in Melbourne, Australia, is that of Frederick Baker (better known as "Federici").



In 1888, Frederick Baker was a British/Italian actor born in Florence Italy. Baker was nicknamed 'Federici' and that was his stage name. He travelled the world with the acting company, "D". Along with the rest of the cast, Baker preformed in the first showing of the play 'The Mikado' in the USA, Baker playing

the main part. "D" toured showing 'The Mikado' and other plays throughout the USA and then continental Europe for four years, earning the company and especially Frederick Baker himself a lot of fame.

During his life, he performed as an actor and a baritone opera singer and had appeared in many theatre performances, a few being H.M.S. Pinafore, The Pirates of Penzance, In the Sulks, and Patience. Many thought him to be a genius when it came to the theatre. However, on the tragic day of March 3, 1888, something unimaginable occurred.

The premiere showing of Gounod's Faust was playing at the Princess Theatre, and Federici was starring as Mephistopheles. At the close of the show, as he was belting the final note of his final song, Federici descended into the floor through a trapdoor, which signified his character Mephistopheles being sent to hell. This is the point at which Federici collapsed and died of a heart attack. Strangely, it has been said that Federici knew his death was soon to occur, stating, "I will give a fine performance to-night, but it will kill me."

Federici was only thirty-eight years old at the time of his death but had suffered from heart disease for many years and was constantly on medication in the form of nitro-glycerine pills. The flag flew at half-mast on the Princess the following day and the lack of Sunday papers to relate the events led many to think it was Nellie Stewart, the doyenne of the Melbourne entertainment scene, who had died. Rumours were rife.



The funeral was held the following Monday at the Melbourne General Cemetery where his

grave was prepared near those of other famous actors of the day. Among the pallbearers were J.C. Williamson, Arthur Garner and George Musgrove. During the burial service at the Anglican chapel, the Reverend T.H. Goodwin, who had been overcome with emotion by the events, fainted while the coffin was being lowered into the grave. The pallbearers then invited the well-known actor Charles Warner to conclude the service. As a mark of respect no evening performance was given at the Theatre that day.

Since Federici's death there have been several sightings of the spirit of Federici at the Princess Theatre. In fact, on that very night, the cast was unaware of his death. When the crew informed them that Federici had died at the end of the show, members of the cast answered in a confused tone, "He's just been onstage and taken the bows with us."

Many staff have reported sightings of him since that night. It is said that an ominous light can often be seen hovering over the dress circle as well as the stage. Additionally, strange noises can be heard and sometimes even Federici himself can be seen in the hallways. He's often been seen in the dress circle, too; the cast and crew say that when they see him, he's wearing nice, formal clothing, including a cloak and top hat. He'll sometimes remain in sight for minutes!! The staff believes that if Federici is spotted on the night of a premiere showing, it's a good omen. Before every show at the Princess Theatre, everyone leaves an open place in the dress circle for Federici.

One particularly spooky sighting of this ominous umbra can be dated back to the 1970s. A photograph of the famous actor Kennedy Miller was taken at the Princess Theatre, and in the background of the picture one can find a grey, partially translucent face.



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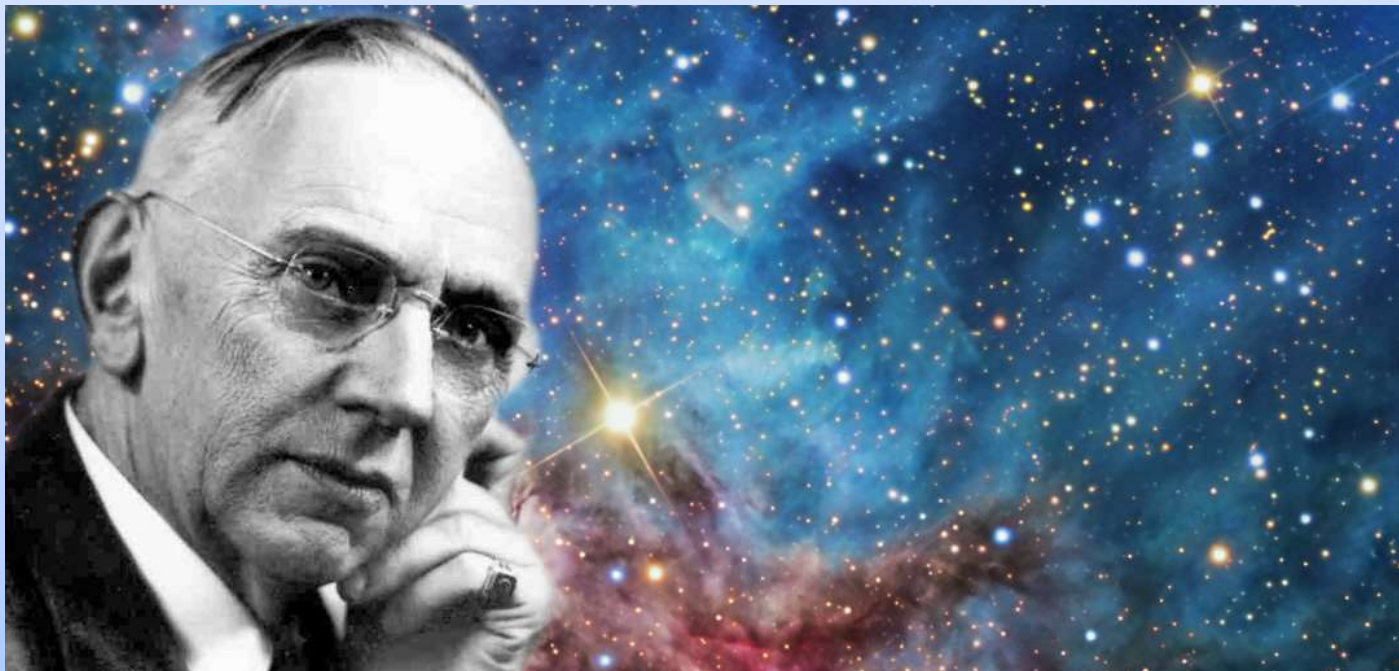
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Edgar Cayce on the Future

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Almost every day, several times a day, for more than forty years, Cayce would induce himself into an altered out-of-body state of consciousness and reveal profound information on various subjects such as health, dreams, meditation, religions, and reincarnation, to name a few. But it was the information that Cayce revealed about the future which he is probably most known for. He provided information about the history of humanity from the very beginning to a time in the future when humans will evolve into beings with supernatural powers. He described a new era of enlightenment and peace when divinity within humans would be manifested on the Earth. But before this "kingdom of God" would rule the world, Cayce foresaw world events that can only be described as apocalyptic, a period of purification involving natural disasters that will dramatically alter the surface of the Earth, wars, economic collapse, and socio-political unrest. These visions of the

future agree with what is known about prophecies from NDEs.

1. Introduction

Cayce believed that these horrible future events could be averted if humanity changed its behavior. And this is the purpose for giving prophecies - to warn people to change so that the prophecies won't happen. Since Cayce certainly was not 100% accurate in his predictions, I believe this only shows how some of Cayce's apocalyptic predictions have been averted. So, a successful gloom and doom prophecy is one that does not occur. Cayce's prophecies became well-known all over the world and a case may be made that he may have had some influence in creating the change within people to alter the course of history enough so that the prophecy would not happen. Cayce would repeatedly say that

even the Lord of Lords could not accurately predict future events because human free will can alter and change the future. Cayce is referring to the Biblical account when Jesus is asked when he would return. His reply was: "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." (Matthew 24:36)

So, prophecy is never given for any other purpose than as a warning. For this reason, a successful prophecy is one that has been averted and therefore does not happen. Skeptics of Cayce's prophetic ability like to point out that because some of his predictions did not happen, this means he was a fake. But from another perspective, one can say that his prophecies helped to change enough people to prevent them from occurring.

Cayce envisioned that a time would come when all individuals would realize their responsibility toward one another a realization that would change the thought of humanity. During the height of World War II, he saw the possibility of a united world and a renewed sense of spirituality all over the world. When asked in 1944 which religious thought would lead the world toward the greatest amount of spiritual light and understanding, the reply was simply, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and your neighbor as yourself!

2. Cayce's Visions of the Future Which Came True



Cayce received many visions of the future and many of them have already come to pass. From these visions he made a number of remarkably accurate predictions. The following is a list of them:

1. Cayce foresaw the Stock Market Crash and Great Depression

In 1924, Cayce predicted the crash of the market after a long bull run during the late 1920's. During the mid-1920's he chronicled the rise and fall of the stock market, teaching his clients how to play the bull market and how to prepare for the crash of 1929. He even outlined what growth industries would give them the best long term portfolio after the market reached bottom. Cayce should have been quite well-to-do with endowment from a share of their speculations, but his clients did not pay attention to the readings and failed to pay heed to his warning. Six months later, they lost all they had when the great October 1929 Stock Market Crash occurred. This was also the trigger for the Great Depression which Cayce also foresaw. In 1931, Cayce foresaw that the Great Depression would lift in the spring of 1933 which it did.

2. Cayce foresaw revolutions in foreign lands

In March 1935, Cayce added that eventually, unless there is more of the spiritual attitude raised in groups here and there, world conditions would terminate in a revolution throughout many of the foreign nations. There was nothing in 1935 which caused much unrest. But in 1936, the Spanish Civil War broke out, Italy invaded Ethiopia, Japan invaded China, and Stalin elevated the Great Purges to star billing throughout Russia.

3. Cayce foresaw the rise and fall of Adolf Hitler

In January 1934, Cayce predicted that Hitler would rise in power to reign over Germany. In August 1935, Cayce predicted that Hitler would remain in power until it will "come as an overthrow or an outside war."

4. Cayce foresaw a World War that would begin in 1936

Cayce gave one of his greatest world prophecies in February 1932. He sweepingly outlined the course of most of the decade of the 1930's, which centered around: "A great catastrophe that's coming to the world in '36, in the form of the breaking up of many

powers that now exist as factors in the world affairs."

Cayce predicted the acceptance or rejection of the League of Nations in 1936, after which changes would come which would create different maps of the world. He detailed that before 1936 arrived the powers in Russia, United States, Japan and England, or United Kingdom would be "broken up", as indeed they were with major changes in the governments and policies of each nation.

Cayce began 1935 with predictions about a revolution throughout many of the foreign nations and finished up 1935 with his first grim predictions about a universal war which he described as the whole world on fire. He predicted that international patterns would spiral out of control after 1936, resulting in new national boundaries. By 1937 he foresaw both the beginning and the end of World War II. Cayce's readings continued to provide highly accurate predictions about the escalation of the whole world on fire, the U.S. entry into the effort to fight it, the establishment of peace, and the return to normalcy within the new world order. Early on he twice gave a highly accurate time frame for the ending of the war. Before the war even began, Cayce was describing the nature of the post-war era.

5. Cayce foresaw America's 1941 entry into the war

America's entry into the war was revealed through a reading in July 1939 for a retired naval commander, which also contained a message of hope:

Question: "Am I likely to be recalled to active service within two or three years?"

Answer: "The only likelihood will be in 41. This, too, if the people pray, and live as they pray, will pass."

Cayce ominously called the American Destiny, hinting about U.S. involvement in the great fire: America must remain:

"As it were - the balance of power in not only the money forces of the world but those influences that will later be for the manning of those powers where greater destructive forces will arise in those portions of the world..."

He laid out the worldwide scope of the conflict: "Disturbance in Asia, that will be effective or active through the changes in Germany, Italy and especially through the Balkan forces or Balkan States, will produce a disturbance that may reach proportions that will become rather terrifying to all of Europe and Asia."

6. Cayce foresaw a decisive World War II battle

On June 20, 1943, Cayce described a battle that would happen and determine the outcome and length of the world war.

Five days after making this prediction, the German and Russian armies clashed in the greatest tank battle of all time.

7. Cayce foresaw the deaths of Presidents FDR and JFK

In 1939, Cayce predicted the deaths of two presidents in office:

"You are to have turmoil -- you are to have strife between capital and labor. You are to have a division in your own land, before you have the second of the Presidents that next will not live through his office ... a mob rule!"

President Franklin D. Roosevelt died in office in April 1945. In November 1963, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas, when racial tensions in the United States were boiling.

"Unless there is more give and take," Cayce said, "consideration for those who produce, with better division of the excess profits from labor, there must be greater turmoil in the land."

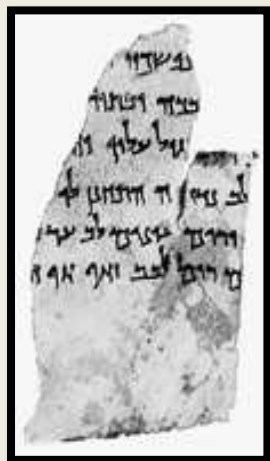
Kennedy was killed during the beginning of the Civil Rights Movement. Great civil and racial unrest followed just as Cayce foresaw.

8. Cayce foresaw India's independent from Britain

Cayce predicted that India would become independent from Britain. This prophecy was fulfilled in 1947 when India began a transition to a democratic republic after independence from Britain.

9. Cayce foretold archeological facts which later proved true

Cayce was equally as far ahead of the archeologists and paleontologists. It took nearly another 60 years for the predominance of evidence from around the world to prove Cayce probably correct in his claim that the human species is 10.5 million years old, that the Giza monuments in Egypt were aligned with the stars as of 10,500 BC, that the structure of the Egyptian religion was defined from astronomical relationships, and that an ancient civilization influenced the development of Egypt, Maya, and Bharati.



10. Cayce foretold the discovery of the Essenes and Dead Sea Scrolls

Cayce correctly described the location of an Essene community which was discovered when the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. He revealed a series of information

concerning Palestine which was given for people who were told they had been together during the life and times of Jesus. This data includes a description of the Essenes and their part in the advent of the Messiah, and is prophetic of the light thrown upon these mysterious people by the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls in 1948, fully ten years later after Cayce described them.

11. Cayce foresaw the rebirth of the nation of Israel

In 1932, Cayce advised the Jews to regard the advent of Fascist anti-Semitism in Europe as the time to fulfill the biblical prophecy which foretold that the Jews would return to Israel.

In May of 1948, the nation of Israel was re-established just as Cayce predicted. This was followed by war between Israel and the Arab countries around it.

12. Cayce foretold the discovery of the land from Atlantis

Cayce revealed that new land will appear in 1968 or 1969 off the east coast of North America, the so-called "rising of Atlantis".

It was in that timeframe that the Bimini Road was discovered in the Atlantic Ocean. Whether this is actually a road or natural, geologic erosion is being hotly debated. Many people believe this to be the actual portion of Atlantis that Cayce was referring to.

Cayce maintained that Atlantis was an ancient civilization that was technologically superior to even our own and that its last surviving islands have disappeared somewhere in the Atlantic ocean some ten thousand years ago.

Cayce revealed that the size of Atlantis was equal to that of Europe, including Asia in Europe. He saw visions of this continent of the past which had gone through three major periods of division; the first two occurred around 15,600 B.C., when the mainland was divided into islands. The three main islands of Atlantis Cayce named were Poseida, Og and Aryan.

He said the people of Atlantis had constructed giant laser-like crystals for power plants, and that these were responsible for the second destruction of the land. Cayce blamed the final destruction of Atlantis and the disintegration of their culture on greed and lust. But before the legendary land disappeared under the waves, Cayce revealed that there was an exodus of many Atlanteans to ancient Egypt. Cayce attributed the Biblical Great Flood of Noah to be a result of the sinking of the last huge remnants of Atlantis.

During Cayce's otherworldly journeys, Cayce would often reveal the past lives of those who would come to him for information concerning their health. A number of people who came to Cayce were told by him that they had past lives in the legendary lost land of Atlantis. In fact, Cayce revealed that a vast number of souls who lived past lives in Atlantis have been incarnating to America for a long time now to usher in a new era of enlightened human consciousness. In all, Cayce referred to Atlantis no fewer than seven hundred times over a span of twenty years.

13. Cayce foresaw the collapse of Soviet Union and Communism

Cayce predicted the failure of communism and the collapse of the Soviet Union:

"[Through Russia], comes the hope of the world. Not in respect to what is sometimes termed Communism or Bolshevism -- no! But freedom -- freedom! That each man will live for his fellow man. The principle has been born there. It will take years for it to be crystallized; yet out of Russia comes again the hope of the world."

Cayce's words, despite all disbelief, were fulfilled in 1991 when the Soviet Union dissolved as a nation, abandoned communism, and instituted economic and political freedom.

14. Cayce foresaw the alliance of Russia and US

Cayce foresaw that Russia would one day become America's ally. Russia, he said, would be guided by friendship with the United States. The Soviet Union's attempt to rule "not only the economic, but the mental and spiritual life" of its people was doomed to failure..

"..for changes are coming, this may be sure -- an evolution or revolution in the ideas of religious thought. The basis of it for the world will eventually come out of Russia. Not communism, no! But rather that which is the basis of the same as the Christ taught -- his kind of communism."

Cayce's vision came true after the fall of the Soviet Union in 1991.

15. Cayce foresaw Russian religious freedom and religious movement

Cayce predicted a strong religious movement would come out of Russia after the collapse of the Soviet Union.

In 1991, the fall of the Soviet Union and atheistic communism occurred as Cayce predicted. The resulting freedom to practice religion released a flood of Russian spirituality.

16. Cayce discovered scientific facts which were later verified to be true

Cayce provided many descriptions of the workings of the world and the cosmos. Many of them seemed implausible in his day but during the past 50 years none of Cayce's comments about science or the natural principles of how the cosmos works has been

unproven. Many have been proven and more and more of his ideas have come to form the basis of modern science.

Cayce described part of the fundamentals of what would become the sciences of weather and earthquake prediction in the later part of the 20th century, easily 30 years ahead of scientists. He predicted the existence of a ninth Planet (Pluto) many years in advance, and the discovery of major quantities of gold on the bottom of the ocean, which was discovered in the 1970's. He also attributed the main cause of motion in the Earth's tectonic plates and crust to the motions and relationships of the planets, which the Trilogy thoroughly documents as an important scientific discovery.

17. Cayce foresaw the rise of major technological industries

Closely related to his ability to read science well in advance of its practitioners, Cayce astutely predicted the broad stream of the technological future. He was able to fully describe the major technology industries which would drive the development of the American economy after World War II. Consistently, 10 to 30 years in advance of the economy, while ideas were still in their novelty stage, Cayce advised his clients to focus on all aspects of radio, telegraphy, telephones, communications and electronics industries which were associated with war products, deluxe fine furniture cabinetry for electronic products, composite woods and molded materials, and plastic resins. A man named David Kahn made millions of dollars with this information.

The following are some more of Cayce's most astute predictions about science and technology:

18. Cayce discovered the existence of the long economic cycle

Cayce described a long term economic cycle of 24 to 25 years which predicts depressions and major recessions. Starting with a base year of 1907, every 24th or 25th year precisely describes an economic downturn. Based on Cayce's definition, the next major depression is forecast for the year 2006 or 2007. The cycle

does not describe all of the downturns but it definitely describes the worst downturns.

19. Cayce foresaw a shift of the Earth's poles around the millennium

In the late 1920's and early 1930's, Cayce was the first to describe the concept of the shifting of the pole as a result of the crust of the Earth moving independently from the core of the Earth to bring different a surface area over the spin axis. During the past 30 years, this concept has received more and more attention by geophysicists, some of whom now seriously argue that the crust does move independently. Some geophysicists now also argue that the best way to explain a variety of paleo sea-level and other data is that it moves and shifts fairly frequently and more rapidly than previously imagined.

Cayce predicted changes to the Earth surface to begin some time between 1958 and 1998. The cause of these dramatic Earth changes will be the shift in the world's magnetic poles around the year 2000. Cayce predicted that when this pole shift occurs it would begin reversals in the world's climate so that: "...where there has been a frigid or semi-tropical climate, there will be a more tropical one, and moss and fern will grow."

Cayce's prediction of a pole shift occurred in 1998. According to NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, in 1998 something changed the Earth's gravitational field which moved the magnetic poles closer together. The NASA article explained that as the ice on the poles melted, ocean currents moved water toward the equator, which factors researchers believe to be partly responsible, in conjunction with shifts in atmospheric patterns, for this ongoing shift in the Earth's magnetic field. This NASA finding affirms Cayce's prediction of a pole shift.

20. Cayce foresaw the rise of the aviation and radio industries

In May 1930, despite the deepening depression, Cayce predicted the industries which would become the next U.S. focus of industrial activity: those of the aerial nature; that is, radio and its associations; aerial and its associations. At the time, both the radio and

aviation industries were still widely regarded as commercially unproven toys.

21. Cayce foresaw the rise of new communications technologies

Cayce foresaw that exceptional changes and improvements would come in the communications and broadcasting industries: he pointed years in advance to the coming of TV, fax, telex, expanded stock ticker-tape services, and microwave transmission on land to replace copper wire.

22. Cayce foresaw the great influence of aviation on the world

During the 1930's Cayce told his clients to get out of rails and to get into the air. In February 1933, he named the most outstanding change that would come - airplane manufacturing and transportation industry. In November 1942, Cayce predicted that air transportation will become more and more the basis of ALL relationships with other nations, countries, as well as the internal or national activity. By 1944 he predicted that any town that has any name will eventually be on an airline and when they're off it's as bad as being off the railroad (in another ten to twenty years).

23. Cayce foresaw the development of infra-red vision for night vision

Cayce was probably the first human being to describe the concept of infra-red vision. Infrared night vision is now one of the mainstays of U.S. military superiority.

24. Cayce foresaw the union of the radio and telegraph industry

Cayce foresaw the rapid integration and expansion of the communication industry which would be driven by the new technology. In October 1935 he predicted that by '39 should be a fact - that is, the united activity of Radio and the Telegraph lines. By the end of the 1930's the ITU had created the technical standards which allowed all forms of communication to inter-operate. In November 1942 he added:

"Thus, all communications are a part of this activity. This means not only radio and telegraph (for these must be eventually one) ...

but more and more the air as the greater means of communications. With more and more satellite communication facilities coming on line, even in the 1990's, it is more and more the air."

25. Cayce discovered an investment strategy which proved to be successful

In March, 1936, Cayce advised investing in allied industrials, that deal with preparations of war materials, for the next few months. But the industrials having to do with communications of all natures, for long terms.

26. Cayce discovered a consumer products strategy that proved to be successful

In September, 1942, Cayce advised investing in any electrical appliances, all forms of home appliances, those of greater conveniences, - all of these will offer the greater investment now and for the future - for the next few years, at least. These consumer products drove the economy for a long time and companies which manufactured them become huge. It is still true today, in the form of computers and digital electronics. In March, 1944, Cayce again predicted post-war economic leadership for technology in all of the industrial products, including radio, ice box, automobile, lights. He predicted at the same time that TV would become an important consumer product before the TV broadcasting industry had even been conceived.

27. Cayce foresaw the day of his own death

The last vision of the future Cayce received concerned himself. His visions would often warn him that he should not use his powers more than twice a day or serious health problems would occur. But because Cayce would receive thousands of requests for help, he would ignore these warnings and help them anyway. Many letters were from mothers who were worried about their sons fighting World War II. Cayce's final vision warned him that the time had come for him to stop working and rest.

But on January 1, 1945, Cayce announced that he would be buried in four more days. This was yet another prediction that proved to be true.

3. Cayce's Visions of the Future Yet to Occur

1. Cayce identified the year the battle of Armageddon will occur in the spirit realm (may be happening already)

Cayce predicted that the so-called "Battle of Armageddon" described symbolically in the Bible would begin in 1999. Cayce foresaw that this "battle" will not be a war fought on Earth. Rather, it will be a spiritual struggle between the "higher forces of light" and "lower forces of darkness" for 1000 years of Earth time. The reason for this struggle is to prevent souls from lower afterlife realms from reincarnating to Earth. By preventing souls from the lower afterlife realms from reincarnating to Earth, only enlightened souls will be permitted to reincarnate. The result will be 1000 years of building a world of peace and enlightenment. After 1000 years, souls from lower afterlife realms will be permitted once again to reincarnate to Earth. By this time, the so-called "kingdom of heaven" will have been established on Earth.

2. Cayce foresaw the year of the second coming of Christ (may have already happened)

Cayce often maintained that humanity would soon experience a "day of reckoning." He predicted the year of the second coming of Jesus to be 1998.

Critics who are not very familiar with the Cayce material have pointed out that 1998 has come and gone and the second coming has not occurred. Such critics wrongly expect the second coming to happen when Jesus appears in the sky with a chorus of angels while Gabriel blows a horn and dead bodies crawl out of their graves. This idea of the resurrection was the result of a misunderstanding of the concept of reincarnation - the ancient concept of birth and rebirth.

It is more logical and more realistic for Jesus to make his entrance the same way he did in his previous life - rebirth. For this reason, I believe that Jesus has indeed returned just as Cayce foresaw. If my theory is true then it

means that Jesus is currently living on Earth as a young child. Here is why I believe my theory is highly probable:

(a) Cayce has a good track record about his predictions - especially the major Earth-changing ones.

(b) Cayce was a very spiritual and religious person in love with Jesus. He actually met Jesus on occasion during his afterlife sojourns and had a strong personal relationship with him.

(c) As a Christian "prophet", the second coming of Christ would be perhaps Cayce's most important prophecy to make. It would seem highly unlikely that he would be so accurate on other prophecies and not accurate on the event his heart was set on most.

(d) One particular NDE supports the idea that Jesus has already returned. Dr. Richard Eby had an NDE in which he was told by Jesus that he would not die until Jesus returns. But on December 2, 2002, Eby died. Thus, either Jesus is already here, or Dr. Eby and/or Jesus is lying. The lying theory seems improbable.

(e) One particular NDE supports the idea that Jesus is going to return very soon. Angie Fenimore was also given information suggesting that Jesus is to return very soon, if he hasn't done so already. Notice also that Fenimore agrees with Cayce about spiritual warfare going on now.

"Humanity is in the final moments before Jesus Christ returns to this Earth. The Earth is being prepared for this event. The war between the forces of light and the forces of darkness are growing so intense on Earth, humanity is in danger of being consumed by the forces of darkness." (Angie Fenimore)

(f) There is an ancient prophecy that quite possibly supports Cayce's timeframe for the second coming of Jesus. Nostradamus gave a prophecy that I believe refers to the reincarnation of Jesus. Here it is:

"In the year 1999 and seven months, from the sky will come the Great King of Terror. He will bring back the great king of the Mongols. Both before and after this, war reigns unrestrained." (Nostradamus).

4. More Cayce Prophecies for the Future

(a) Cayce foresees a new field of science will be developed based on a psychic/spiritual phenomenon

Cayce predicted in September, 1939, that when there is the same interest or study given to things or phases of mental and spiritual phenomena as has been and is given to the materialized or material phenomena, then it will become just as practical, as measurable, as meter-able, as any other phase of human experience. Cayce did not specify a time frame, he specified a condition, placing as much research emphasis on the spiritual/occult phenomena as material causation. It would be nice to think that Cayce was referring to near-death research which would fit the description of the science he is referring to. Until we know more in the future, we will have to assume that this prediction is still pending.

(b) Cayce foresees a new discovery in astronomy will occur

Cayce provided a major clue that astronomers have not yet taken up: the discovery of the revolution of the solar system around a star system composed of Arcturus and the Pleiades.

(c) Cayce foresees the possibility of a World War III

Cayce foresaw the possibility of a third world war. He spoke of strife arising near the Davis Straits, and in Libya, and in Egypt, in Ankara, and in Syria; through the straits around those areas above Australia, in the Indian Ocean and the Persian Gulf.

Given the wars in Afghanistan and Syria and the tensions in the Middle East right now, such a war could certainly be a possibility.

(d) Cayce foresees major archeological discoveries concerning human origins will be found

Cayce predicted that there will be three profound archeological discoveries of a very ancient and important nature that will revolutionize the way we understand human origins, cosmology and religion. Cayce stated

that this will occur when humanity reaches a higher level of spirituality. The three repositories mentioned are in Egypt (near the Great Pyramid), the Bimini area (where the possible portion of Atlantis has already been discovered), and the Yucatan (the location where the asteroid that killed off the dinosaurs).

(e) China will become a Christian nation

Cayce envisioned a future where China would be the:

".. the cradle of Christianity as applied in the lives of men."

On the surface of it, this prediction appears to completely improbable. This prediction of Cayce's has stumped a lot of people who are not familiar with the Cayce material. Some critics use this prediction to show that Cayce is fallible. The answer to these critics is that, first of all, Cayce has already been shown to be less than 100% in his predictions and there is no reason to believe that a person with Cayce's ability have to be perfect in their predictions. This aside, those who are more knowledgeable about the Cayce material knows that the brand of Christianity that Cayce affirmed to be the highest form of Christianity is not modern or traditional Christianity, but rather Gnostic Christianity. This sect of Christians possessed the secret teachings of Jesus that he did not reveal to the general public.

Gnostic Christianity resembles Buddhism more than it does traditional Christianity because it involves reincarnation, the divine light within, and concepts that can found in near-death experiences.

One of the most respected scholars on the subject of Gnosticism is Elaine Pagels. She noted that the similarities between Gnosticism and Buddhism have prompted some scholars to question their interdependence and to wonder whether "...if the names were changed, the living Buddha appropriately could say what the Gospel of Thomas attributes to the living Jesus." Although intriguing, she rightly maintains that the evidence is inconclusive, since parallel traditions may emerge in different cultures

without direct influence. Elaine Pagels, *The Gnostic Gospels*, (New York: Random House, 1979, repr. 1989), xx-xxi

Since the Chinese communist government has stopped its cultural war against religion and democracy and lifted the restriction on the practice of Buddhism, I see no reason to doubt that Chinese Buddhism will one day become the "Cradle of Christianity."

(f) Cayce foresees volcanic activity will proceed major earthquakes

"If there are greater activities in [the volcanoes] Vesuvius or Pelee, then the southern coast of California and the areas between Salt Lake and the southern portions of Nevada, we may expect, within the three months following same, inundation by the earthquakes. But these are to be more in the Southern than the Northern Hemisphere."

(g) Cayce foresees America's west coast being destroyed

The widespread destruction in Los Angeles and San Francisco as well as in many portions of the west coast will occur. Earth changes will occur in the central portion of the United States as well.



NDE researcher Dr. Kenneth Ring discovered that many near-death accounts he was studying foretell future Earth changes such as earthquakes, volcanoes, a pole shift, strange weather patterns, droughts, famines, tidal waves

and a new social order followed by a golden age. These NDE visions of the future agree completely with the Cayce predictions described below.

(h) Cayce foresees the ocean level rising significantly

With the shifting of the Earth's magnetic poles that began in 1998 will come a gradual melting of the polar ice caps and eventually cause inundations of many coastal regions resulting

in a drop in the landmass of about 30 feet. In 1941, Cayce elaborated on this effect:

"As to conditions in the geography of the world, of the country -- changes here are gradually coming about ... For, many portions of the east coast will be disturbed, as well as many portions of the west coast, as well as the central portion of the U.S. In the next few years land will appear in the Atlantic as well as in the Pacific. And what is the coast line now of many a land will be the bed of the ocean. Even many battle fields of the present will be ocean, will be the seas, the bays, the lands over which The New World Order will carry on their trade as one with another."

(i) Cayce foresees dramatic changes in the coastlines around the world

Due to the shifting of the Earth's magnetic poles and natural disasters, dramatic changes such as this will occur:

"The Earth will be broken up in the western portion of America. The greater portion of Japan must go into the sea. The upper portion of Europe will be changed as in the twinkling of an eye. Land will appear off the east coast of America. When there is the first breaking up of some conditions in the South Sea and those as apparent in the sinking or rising of that that's almost opposite same, or in the Mediterranean, and the Etna area, then we many know it has begun."

An Interesting note: In 1991, a series of natural disturbances occurred following the eruption of Mount Etna in Sicily. Soon after the eruption of Mount Etna, volcanic eruptions occurred in the Philippines. These events may not be a fulfillment of Cayce's prediction, but they may be a harbinger of greater Earth changes.

(j) Cayce foresees major Earth changes will occur in America

Here is a description of these major Earth changes in Cayce's own words:

"Portions of the now east coast of New York, or New York City itself, will in the main disappear. This will be another generation, though, here; while the southern portions of Carolina, Georgia -- these will disappear. This will be much sooner. The waters of the lakes will empty into the Gulf, rather than the

waterway over which such discussions have been recently made. It would be well if the waterway were prepared, but not for that purpose for which it is at present being considered. Then the area where the entity is now located (Virginia Beach) will be among the safety lands, as will be portions of what is now Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and much of the southern portion of Canada and the eastern portion of Canada; while the western land -- much of that is to be disturbed as, of course much in other lands."

(k) Cayce foresees a new era of peace and enlightenment following the tremendous Earth changes

Finally, Cayce foresaw a new era of enlightenment and peace for humanity in the future. Cayce states:

"A new order of conditions is to arise; there must be a purging in high places as well as low; and that there must be the greater consideration of the individual, so that each soul being his brother's keeper. Then certain circumstances will arise in the political, the economic, and whole relationships to which a leveling will occur or a greater comprehension of the need for it.

"This America of ours, hardly a new Atlantis, will have another thousand years of peace, another Millennium. All this done in the same manner that the prayers of ten just men once saved a city. And then the deeds, the prayers of the faithful will glorify the Father as peace and love will reign for those who love the Lord."

(l) Cayce foresees his next incarnation and a view into the future

Cayce once had a prophetic dream involving an event in his next incarnation on Earth. It gives us an interesting look into the future:

"I had been born again in 2100 A.D. in Nebraska. The sea apparently covered all of the western part of the country, as the city where I lived was on the coast. The family name was a strange one. At an early age as a child I declared myself to be Edgar Cayce who had lived 200 years before. Scientists, men with long beads, little hair, and thick glasses, were called in to observe me. They decided to

visit the places where I said I had been born, lived, and worked in Kentucky, Alabama, New York, Michigan, and Virginia.

"Taking me with them the group of scientists visited these places in a long, cigar-shaped metal flying ship which moved at a high speed.

"Water covered part of Alabama. Norfolk, Virginia, had become an immense seaport. New York had been destroyed either by war or an immense earthquake and was being rebuilt. Industries were scattered over the countryside. Most of the houses were built of glass. Many records of my work as Edgar Cayce were discovered and collected.

"The group returned to Nebraska, taking the records with them to study... These changes in the Earth will come to pass, for the time and times and half times are at an end, and there begins those periods for the readjustments..." From the list of prophecies that Cayce gave which proved successful, his prophecies of the future should be seriously considered. However, Cayce himself stated that the future is not fixed and that human free will makes virtually everything possible.

"As each second passed there was more to learn, answers to questions, meanings and definitions, philosophies and reasons, histories, mysteries and so much more, all pouring into my mind. I remember thinking, 'I knew that, I know I did, where has it all been?'"
- Virginia Rivers describing her NDE

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About Kevin Williams

Like many people, I became a fan of near-death experiences (NDEs) after reading Raymond Moody's ground-breaking book *Life After Life*. For many years afterwards, I read every book on NDEs I could get my hands on. By 1996, I earned my degree in Computer Science and learned web development. The Internet was practically brand new at the time and there were only a handful of websites on the subject of NDEs. The synchronicity of learning web development at a time when the Internet was new, created within me a tremendous epiphany as my mission from God became crystal clear. I was to create a portal on the Internet totally devoted to NDE revelations: www.near-death.com. I happened to be at just the right time and just the right place to create such a site. Public interest in NDEs at that time was also beginning to grow. This ultimately led this website becoming the number one Google ranked website on NDEs. In the development of my website I have included content from many profound NDE books by the best authors on the subject.

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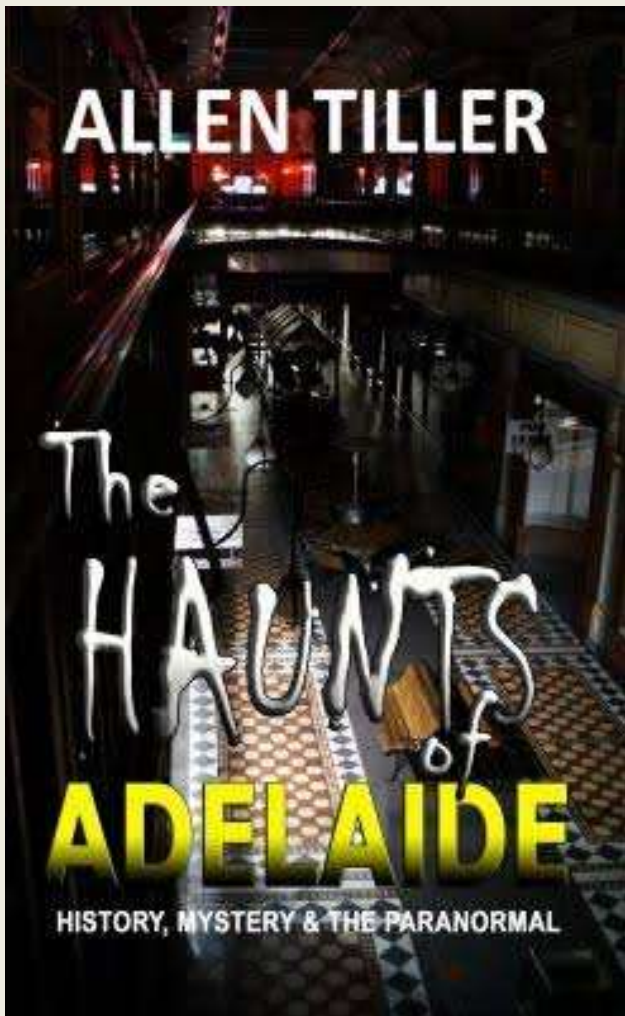
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Title The Haunts of Adelaide

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It has always been Allen Tiller's aim to provide a factual insight into haunted locations in Adelaide, and indeed, the rest of Australia.

He lifts the veil on ghost stories and reveals the truth behind the myths and tales that so often become urban legend and local folklore.

His mission is to research the historical facts of locations, people, places and buildings - from a distinctly paranormal perspective.

The Haunts of Adelaide was born...

About the author:

The Haunts of Adelaide - Founded 2012
Paranormal Investigator, Blogger, Historian,
Photographer, Poet, Cinematographer and Director,
Allen also stars in television show Haunting Australia

which has aired in more than twenty countries across four continents.

Eidolon Paranormal, of which he was founder and remains CEO, has been investigating the paranormal for some years, teaching the public how to debunk alleged paranormal activity for themselves through meetings and media resources.

His interest in the paranormal started at a young age, reading countless books and watching a myriad of paranormal related television shows. He developed an interest in history and genealogy, bringing these interests together when he began to look into the history of what is considered Australia's most haunted town - Kapunda - where his grandparents had lived and his family were amongst the founding pioneers.

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Shamanic Healing

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The aura is an invisible energy field that surrounds and penetrates the physical body along with the chakras and energy meridians which supply us with energy.

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Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm.

Cost: \$180 per term

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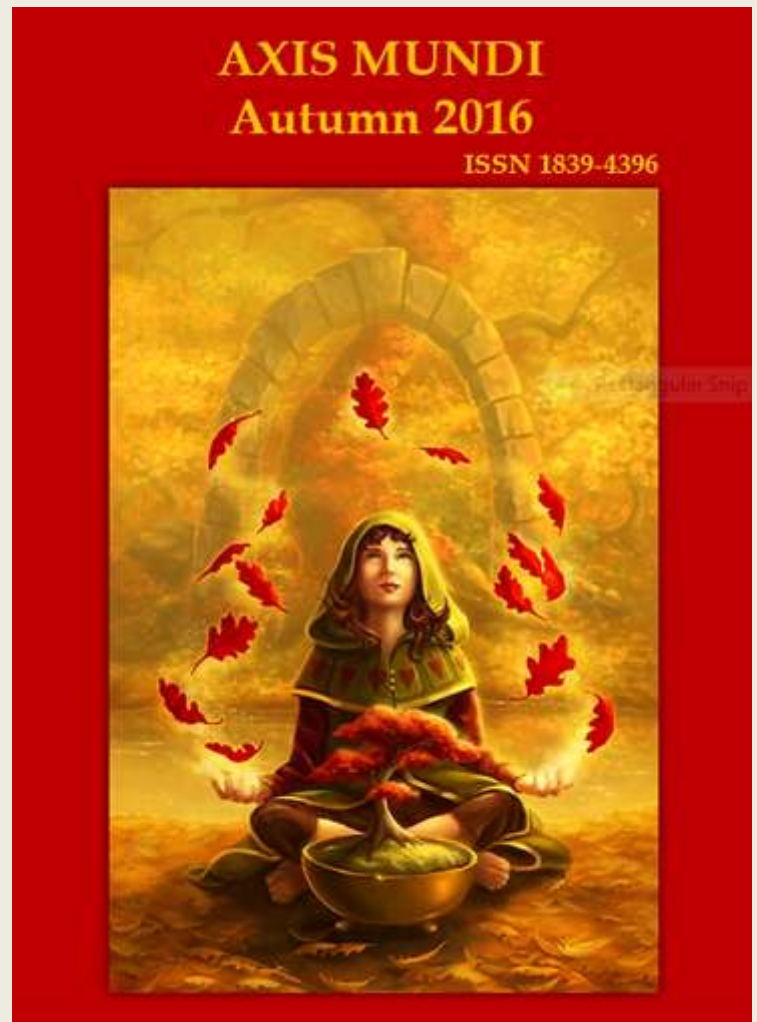
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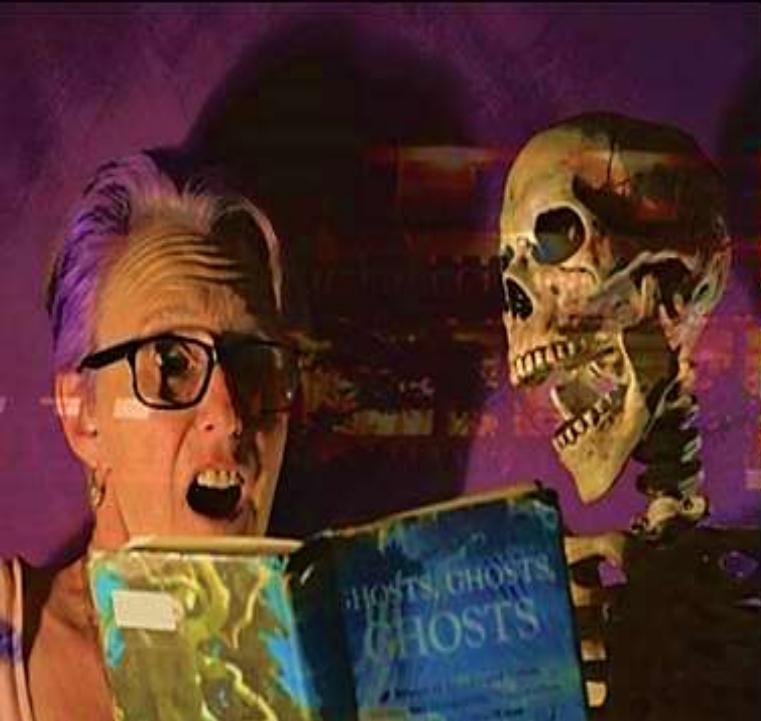
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The Axis Mundi is a FREE online magazine, produced on a quarterly basis, which provides topical information to keep you up to date on news and developments in the Australian Pagan community. Subscribers are notified by email each quarter when a new edition is ready. In addition to our usual announcements on upcoming activities and events, the Axis Mundi contains articles and information that correspond to a seasonal theme and highlight the rhythms and cycles of the natural world and our lives. Your suggestions, comments and contributions are strongly encouraged. It is through your active participation that this online magazine will grow and develop into a publication that will empower you on your journey through all realms of possibilities personal, spiritual, and magical.

The Latin term, axis-mundi, literally means the axis of the world. Our logo expresses a shamanic point of connection between sky and earth where the four compass directions meet. At this point travel and correspondence is made between higher and lower realms and is reflected in the concept of 'as above so below'. In the context of our magazine it is meant to define a group that comes together from various ideologies and shares spiritual ideas, knowledge and experiences and is in a process of constant evolution.



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Paracon Australia 2016 Speakers Dinner

Thursday the 26th of May
Grand Dining Room
The Carrington Hotel

Date: Thursday the 26th of May

Location: The Carrington Hotel (Grand Dining Room)

Time: 630PM until 10/1030PM (Times may change slightly)

Cost: \$125 per person

Inclusions: Three Course Dinner and Drink Package. Entertainment will be a talk given by Renata Daniel titled Victorian Ghost Hunters – the mad, sad and slightly unhinged, plus we will be running a charity auction. Both the talk and auction will be exclusive to the Dinner event.

All guests will be seated at a table with at least one of Paracon Australia's 2016 speakers. Guests are placed randomly but don't worry there is lots of time to network and move around the room.

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In her talk, Victorian Ghost Hunters – the mad, sad and slightly unhinged, Renata will be discussing what bought about the renewed surge of interest in ghost hunting during the mid-1800's and how it has influenced us today. We will be looking at some of the characters of that era. Some of these people you may know while others might be slightly more obscure. Their passion and desire to seek the truth though, was as strong for them then as it is for us now. It will be interesting and fun talk about some of these very influential people who, at times, were closet paranormalists ridiculed and judged for their belief in ghosts risking status and finances to pursue the ghosts that haunted them.

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- Information and articles about our investigations & research
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- We produce a quarterly paranormal magazine
- We conduct private investigations in the Sutherland Shire, Sydney.

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