

# 12<sup>th</sup> WORLD CONGRESS 2025 "Toward Insight and Wholeness: Our Role in Shaping the Future"

# 5<sup>th</sup> TOS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2025

Dear Members and Friends,

Every seven years the Theosophical Society has its World Congress. It is time for us to prepare for the 2025 event. This special event which also celebrates the 150 Anniversary of the TS will take place in Vancouver, Canada. The Canadian Theosophical Association has offered to host the event organized by the International Theosophical Society, Adyar. The occasion is also significant because it will be the TS in Canada's 100-year Anniversary. So, these celebrations will uplift us.

This is not all. Those who work or are interested in the global compassionate activity of the Theosophical Order of Service (TOS) can attend its International Conference following the World Congress.

## 12th World Congress, 23 morning - 27 early evening July 2025

While appreciating the 150 years of the TS, we will explore the influence of our consciousness in shaping the future. Theosophy offers an insightful approach to spirituality and a worldview of wholeness, Unity, Oneness. The theme of the World Congress is

## "Toward Insight and Wholeness: Our Role in Shaping the Future"

We are happy to welcome you to the 12<sup>th</sup> World Congress to meet brothers and sisters from all over the theosophical world, including friends of the Theosophical Movement.

### Theosophical Order of Service (TOS), 27 evening - 29 early evening July 2025

The 5<sup>th</sup> TOS International Conference will take place in the same venue. You may attend either or both of them. We heartily welcome you to register for this as well.

### Venue of the events

Vancouver is a cosmopolitan city. The events and accommodation will take place in an idyllic campus of the University of British Columbia (UBC) in a modern urban environment only 25 minutes by car from the International Airport. In order for you to make the necessary advanced plans for your attendance, the following pages give you details. More information will follow as we approach the date. It is advisable to start by examining the visa requirements of your country.

One more thing to bring to your attention. There are a lot of sightseeing possibilities in UBC and Vancouver. We will inform those for you but leave them to you to plan. So, if you wish to extend your stay after either the World Congress or the TOS Conference, please plan for 1-3 days extra.

In the detailed information, notice that the accommodation rates are given per room. If the room can have two persons, you pay only the room charge (not 2x).

We cordially invite you to attend the events in Vancouver.

The Organizing Team

(Previous World Congresses: Singapore 2018, Rome 2010, Sydney 2001, Brasilia 1993, Nairobi 1982, New York 1975, Salzburg 1966, Geneva 1936, Chicago 1929, Adyar 1925, Paris 1921)



# 12<sup>th</sup> WORLD CONGRESS 23 - 27 July 2025

"Toward Insight and Wholeness: Our Role in Shaping the Future"

AND

# 5<sup>th</sup> TOS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 27 - 29 July 2025

## VANCOUVER, CANADA VENUE: University of British Columbia

Abbreviations used:

TS WC = World Congress of the Theosophical Society TOS IC = Theosophical Order of Service International Conference UBC = University of British Columbia CAD = Canadian Dollar

Translations will be provided to French, Spanish, Portuguese.

# DATES OF THE EVENTS

The 12<sup>th</sup> World Congress will have a 5-day program (23-27 July).

- Arrival 22 July or earlier
- Checking into the World Congress on 23 July at 8-9:30 AM w breakfast
- Opening at 9:30 AM
- Closing will end on 27<sup>th</sup> July by 5 PM
- Excursions outside the Congress by separate arrangements

The 5<sup>th</sup> TOS International Conference follows directly with a 2-day program (27-29 July).

- Checking into the TOS Conference on 27 July at 6 PM w dinner
- Opening 7 PM
- Closing will end on 29<sup>th</sup> July by 5 PM
- Excursions outside the Conference by separate arrangements

## **ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES**

TS has special rates for accommodation at UBC. With those rates, you can book accommodation arriving 1-3 days earlier and/or leaving 1- 3 days later. This can be good if you want to have excursions before or after the Congress or Conference.

**VISA FOR CANADA** To apply for a tourist visa, kindly consult the Canadian Embassy Visa pages of your country. Some countries may take a long time for the process. TS will provide a letter of Invitation to the World Congress and TOS Conference.

## **REGISTRATION ONLINE**

A link to Register for TS WC and TOS IC will be provided in April 2024. By registering and paying the fee you make sure to have a place. In the same form, one can register for both events. Costs

- TS World Congress fee 200 CAD
- TS WC meals 560 CAD (from 23 July breakfast, lunch & dinner & 2 snacks daily, until snacks on 27 July 4:00 PM 5 breakfasts and lunches, 4 dinners, 10 snacks)
- The half-day outing on 25<sup>th</sup> July will have 4-5 options to choose from (optional); charges for each are not yet defined but will be mentioned in the registration form
- TOS Conference fee 20 CAD
- TOS IC meals 240 CAD (from dinner 27 July through 4:00 PM snacks 29 July six meals & four breaks)

Children < 4 years no charges.

## ACCOMMODATION RESERVATIONS ONLINE

A link for reserving accommodation directly to UBC will be provided in April 2024. The list below shows the room types and room rates with a remark to be noted. Rate is per room (not person). The pictures of the accommodation types are on the next pages with a more detailed description.

No	Room Type	2023 CAD Rate per	Remark
		night <mark>per Room</mark>	
1	West Coast Suite	235 CAD	Rate based on single or double occupancy; \$25.00
			charge, per night, applies for each additional guest.
			Maximum 4 guests (non-family members under the
			age of 19 will not be permitted to share a bed)
2	Gage 1-Bedroom Suite	225 CAD	Rate based on single or double occupancy; \$25.00
			charge, per night, applies for each additional guest.
			Maximum 4 guests per suite (non-family members
			under the age of 19 are not permitted to share a bed).
3	Gage Studio	167 CAD	Maximum 2 guests per suite.
4	Gage Signature studio	155 CAD	Sleeps up to two people.
5	Gage Premium Single	70 CAD	Private bedroom with single bed in a four-bedroom
			shared apartment. Guests share a washroom, and
			lounge. Rooms are not air-conditioned.
6	Orchard semi-private-	146 CAD	More distance to the Congress venue.
	double	(rate per unit)	Two-bedroom unit with two single beds and a private
	(within a bit of		washroom. Sold as unit occupancy only (2 bedrooms).
	walking distance to		Rooms are not air-conditioned.
	the venue)		

From the highest rate to the lowest, in Canadian Dollars. Subject to change by 2025.

## Accommodation room types

#### 1. West Coast Suites

Hotel suite with king bed in bedroom, queen sofa bed in living room, and private washroom. Features include high-quality linens, telephone, flat-panel TV, air-conditioning, fully equipped kitchen with microwave (stovetop, no oven), wireless internet, in-room safe, and complimentary coffee & tea.

Rate based on single or double occupancy; \$25.00 charge, per night, applies for each additional guest. Maximum 4 guests per suite (non-family members under the age of 19 will not be permitted to share a bed).



#### 2. Gage One-Bedroom Suite

Suite with king bed in bedroom, queen sofa bed in living room, and private washroom. Features include telephone, flat- panel TV, air-conditioning, fully equipped kitchen, wireless internet, and complimentary coffee & tea.

Rate based on single or double occupancy; \$25.00 charge, per night, applies for each additional guest. Maximum 4 guests per suite (non-family members under the age of 19 are not permitted to share a bed).



#### 3. Gage Studio

Studio with queen bed and private washroom. Features include sitting area with telephone, flat-panel TV, air-conditioning, fully-equipped kitchen, wireless internet, and complimentary coffee & tea. Maximum 2 guests per suite. Includes daily housekeeping service.



#### 4. Gage Signature Studio

Premium private studio room with queen bed, fully equipped kitchen with appliances, and washroom with shower (no bathtub). Superior bathroom and kitchenette finishes. Complimentary wireless internet and LCD TV. Sleeps up to two people. Rooms are equipped with air-conditioning.



#### 5. Gage Premium Single (the pictures look nicer than the reality)

Private bedroom with single bed in a four-bedroom shared apartment. Guests share a washroom, lounge with flat-panel TV, breakfast bar, equipped kitchen, and complimentary coffee & tea. Includes complimentary wireless internet connection. Rooms are not air-conditioned and limited housekeeping is provided.



#### 6. Orchard Residence Units

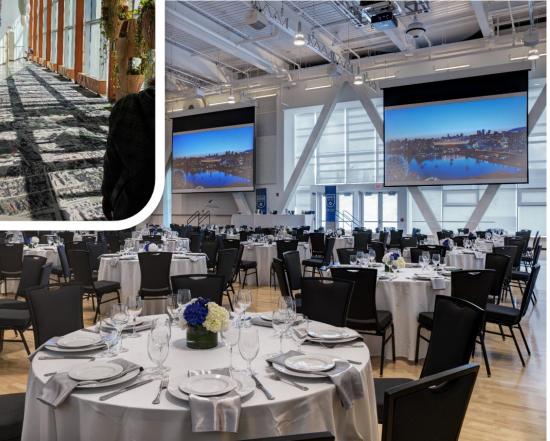
Two-bedroom unit with two single beds and a private washroom (approximately 36-50 guests per floor). This unit will be sold as single occupancy only (meaning with two bedrooms). Multi-level floor lounges offer seating, TV, fridge, sink, and microwave. Buildings are equipped with elevators and wireless internet provided. Housekeeping service includes beds made upon arrival, two towels and soap provided, no towel or linen exchange.



# UBC – University of British Columbia VENUE: THE NEST



# World Congress Hall and Foyer



# UBC Map



