12th World Congress THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

23 - 27 July



Toward Insight and Wholeness:

150 YEARS
Theosophical Society
Founded in 1875

OUR ROLE IN SHAPING THE FUTURE

100 YEARS
Theosophical Society
in Canada



12th WORLD CONGRESS 2025

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

5th TOS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2025 "The Role of Service in Shaping the Future"

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Dear Members and Friends,

We are sharing more information to help you plan for the 12th World Congress in Vancouver, Canada, which will coincide with the celebration of the 150 Anniversary of the TS and 100 Anniversary of TS in Canada. The venue of the event, followed by the 5th TOS International Conference, will be in the campus of the University of British Columbia (UBC).

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

- Arrival 22 July or earlier
- Checking into the Congress on 22 July at 4-8 PM or 23 July at 8-9:30 AM
- Opening at 9:30 AM
- Closing will end on 27th July by 5.00 PM

The 5th TOS International Conference 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 29th July by 5 PM

WEBSITE

The World Congress related information is accessible at: https://worldcongress.ts-adyar.org

A. REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION RESERVATIONS SEPARATELY

Note that there are two forms to be filled.

The first form is to register for the congress and pay for it. Only by paying you will get the Confirmation email from UBC and Invitation letter for Visa purposes from the Congress Team.

The second form is to reserve accommodation which you will pay on arrival. By reserving you make sure you get a room to stay with reduced rates.

(1) FIRST FORM: EVENT REGISTRATION

Register for TS WC and/or TOS IC using the link provided on the website: <u>LINK 1</u> Costs are in Canadian dollars.

	Registration fee	Meals	Remark
World Congress	200 CAD	560 CAD	Meals 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)
TOS Conference	20 CAD	240 CAD	Meals from 27 July dinner until snacks on 29 July 4:00 PM
			(6 meals & 4 snacks)

Notes:

- Children < 4 years no charges.
- Sightseeing tours (optional) after the scheduled events are mentioned in the registration form with the costs. Register to your choice if you want to join.
- The half-day outing on 25th July will have 4-5 options to choose from; these options the delegate can choose when checking in to the Congress venue.

(2) SECOND FORM: ACCOMMODATION RESERVATION

Book for a room using the link provided on the website: LINK 2

The credit card details will be asked, but the payment will be charged only when you arrive at UBC. Indicate how many will be in the same room. The rate is for the room.



Also note the two tabs: Suites and Budget Rooms



Canceling accommodation reservation has no cost when done before 1 July 2025.

B. FLIGHT DISCOUNT

UBC offers a small discount to book flights with **Air Canada**. To benefit from the discount, use the promotion code for our event: **TCYA7AY1**



- The booking is to be made to the city Vancouver, YVR (Canada)
- The travel period can be between July 16, 2025 and August 5, 2025
- o For International travel discount of 10% applies on standard fares & higher
- o For North America's discount 5% applies on standard fares, 10% on flex fares

More information on the terms and conditions can be found here:

https://www.aircanada.com/ca/en/aco/home/plan/special-assistance/meetings-and-conventions.html#/

C. VISA TO ENTER CANADA

You can find out if you need a visa to travel to Canada HERE.

The 12th World Congress and 5th TOS Conference have been recognized as a Special event by the Government of Canada. Consequently, the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) assigned us the event code for visa purposes. It is valid when applying visa through the IRCC Portal. However, this is no guarantee of visa approval, as each applicant must submit all the necessary documents to support their visa application. If visa application is made with other portals, the code has no value.

Steps:

- 1. Register for the World Congress and/or TOS Conference and pay the registration fee.
- 2. Request the **visa invitation letter** (one per delegate) by contacting the Congress team at worldcongress@ts-adyar.org by giving the following details:
 - Name and Surname (as in passport)
 - Address
 - Passport number
 - Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)
 - Nationality

Note: please verify that the passport will be valid for the expected date of travel, so that you can apply for visa with that document.

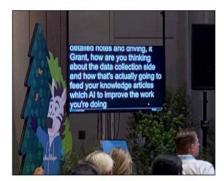
- 3. Apply visa: If the delegate chooses to use the event code, he/she should apply for visa (visa or e-visa) via this **IRCC Portal** following the instructions <u>HERE</u>.
- 4. If using IRCC Portal, then after generating the visa application, contact the Congress team to inform about the **visa application number** (the reference number generated after initiating the visa application). The Congress Team will share this number with the IRCC, so that they can track the application numbers.

D. TRANSLATIONS

During the World Congress, translations into multiple languages will be available using mobile phone based on live artificial intelligence (AI). Delegates are advised to bring their own earphones if they wish to listen to the audio translation, or they can read the live translations on the phone screen. A chosen language may be reflected to the big screen at the hall showing the captions. Below some examples are shown.



MPI WEC | Main Stage - Mexico



Dreamforce 2023 | Breakout - San Francisco



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