The Summer Lectures
Exploring the Crop Circle Phenomenon - Conference 2017

The Ballroom, The Bear Hotel, Devizes, Wiltshire, UK - 28th, 29th & 30th July 2017

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Introduction

Re-Visioning our Crop Circle Conference

It has been over ten years since we first began the Summer Crop Circle Lectures and during that time the crop circle phenomenon while remaining constant has changed enormously. The way we think about the subject and interact with the circles has moved on and so has the way we view the conference, so for 2017 we have re-visioned the event, freshening it up

Forging a new ethos

One thing we have wanted to do for a while was bring a new ethos to the idea of the conference; something that looked a little less like entertainment and felt more like community and collegiality. It was time for the conference to mature and become a place where the crop circles were not only enjoyed and celebrated, but where people can come and join in the conversation, share their experiences and participate in a more inclusive and collaborative way. Almost as important as the circles themselves are the people them, often full of experience, insight and wisdom it is they, in addition to our speakers that make up the ‘body conference’.

As always our speakers will be drawn from those who have actually spent time in the fields and those who are actively engaged in the endeavour to better understand the phenomenon. Our speakers will not just be published authors, or professional speakers, but people who genuinely have something interesting and progressive to say about the phenomenon - some will be updating us about where their research has taken them in the last year, or over several years.

Community, Communication, Communion & Consciousness

Finally, conference should also be about community. Opportunities to spend meaningful time with colleagues, or those who share similar interests is so rare in our society these days. We have a tradition of lasting friendships being made at our events over the years and this is something we really value and want to continue. The crop circles are themselves an invitation to participate, modern-day temporary temples in the landscape that arouse the curiosity and evoke almost limitless questions - some of the best conversations I’ve ever had have been with complete strangers inside the latest crop circle. Equally, some of the best times I have had have been at the Summer Lectures over the years meeting new and interesting people and having the privilege of listening to some of our outstanding speakers.
Who is this conference for?

We welcome anyone who has an interest in the crop circles, beginners, journeymen and everyone in between. We open our conference on the Friday with an ‘Introduction to the Crop Circle Phenomenon’ and offer two workshops, one the ‘Geometry of the Crop Circles’ and one on ‘Crop Circles and Consciousness’ The Friday programme is a great primer for the rest of the weekend.

The ‘Introduction to the Crop Circle Phenomenon’ presentation is given by a different researcher each year and offers an overview of the subject for those who might be new to it, or those who’d like a reminder! Our Geometry Workshop offers both theory and hands-on drawing exercises to familiarise our attendees with the role of Sacred Geometry in the crop circle phenomenon. Once again it is presented with both beginners and more the experienced in mind and is designed to give a good grounding in many of the concepts you will undoubtedly hear discussed during the weekend. Don’t worry if you have never drawn with a compass and straight-edge before, there will be plenty of help on hand. This workshop is a place to shed your dread of maths and find your love for numbers!

The Consciousness Workshop begins on Friday and then stretches out across the whole weekend - with sessions on Saturday and Sunday morning. This group looks at what links consciousness with crop circles and opens with the question ‘What brings you here?’ The group widens and deepens throughout the weekend to discuss synchronicity, dreams, how the crop circles impact upon the psyche and what that might tell us about the phenomenon.

In addition to our lecture programme throughout Saturday and Sunday, on Saturday evening we will be hosting an facilitated round-table discussion group where attendees can discuss what they’ve heard during the day and chat to some of our speakers and there will be an additional formal question and answer session on the Sunday programme.

Our weekend is designed to get everyone thinking, talking and fully immersed in the crop circle mystery. Be ready for an impromptu lunch or dinner with new friends, or even stray out into the Wiltshire countryside for a sunset visit to the latest crop circle or a night-watch with a few like-minded attendees. The idea is that the conference is the framework for your weekend and then everyone makes and takes their connections onto whatever they feel inspired to do.
Our programme at a glance

Please see our ‘Speakers Page’ for more information about all our speakers.

Friday Programme: Opening Lecture & Pre-Conference Workshops

1.30pm - 2.00pm  Doors Open & Registration (30 mins)

2.00pm - 3.00pm  Opening Lecture:
An Introduction to the Crop Circle Phenomenon (60 mins)
This lecture is open to members of the public as well as conference attendees.

Location: Ballroom

Presenter:

3.30pm - 5.30pm  Workshop:
An Introduction to Crop Circle Geometry (120 mins)
Hands-on workshop exploring crop circle geometry and drawing the crop circles.

Location: Ballroom

Facilitators: Karen Alexander & Michael Glickman

6.00pm - 8.00pm  Workshop:
An Introduction to Crop Circles and Consciousness (120 mins)
Experiential workshop exploring & discussing crop circles and their relationship to human consciousness.

Location: Ballroom

Facilitators: Karen Alexander & Jonathan-Paul DeVierville

8.00pm  Close.

Saturday Programme: Lectures & Groups - Day One

9.00am - 9.55am  Crop Circles and Consciousness Workshop - Follow-up 1 (55 mins)
First of two follow-up sessions for those who took part in the Crop Circles and Consciousness Workshop on Friday

Facilitator: Jonathan-Paul DeVierville

Location: Ante-room

9.30am - 9.45am  Doors Open & Registration (15 mins)

Location: Ballroom
9.45am - 10.00am  Welcome | About Us | Introductions (15 mins)

10.00am - 11.00am  Presentation:
What's Been Happening in the Fields? (60 mins)
The 2017 crop circle season so far, with the photography of
Steve Alexander - music and discussion.

Facilitators: Karen Alexander leads a panel of speakers drawn from
our programme to comment the latest crop circles.

11.00am - 11.30am  Break:
Refreshments | Networking | Discussion (30 mins)
Our break times are all about discussion, sharing and making connections.
They are liminal integrative spaces that bridge our speakers and allow
everyone to take-on and talk about the themes introduced in the
presentations.

11.30am - 12.30pm  Lecture:
Gary King (60 mins)

12.30pm - 2.00pm  Break:
Lunch (90 mins)
The Bear Hotel offers delicious lunches, or you can venture out in to
Devizes to one on the many cafes and restaurants in the town. Get together
with friends, colleagues and continue the discussion!

2.00pm - 3.00pm  Lecture:
Annemieke Witteveen (60 mins)

3.00pm - 3.15pm  Short Break (15 mins)
Our short breaks are for changing speakers smoothly, to stretch the
legs and grab a quick comfort break if needed.

3.15pm - 3.45pm  Lecture:
Albert Lamb (30 mins)

3.45pm - 3.00pm  Short Break (15 mins)

4.00pm - 4.30pm  Lecture:
Danny Boyle (30 mins)

4.30pm - 5.00pm  Break:
Refreshments | Networking | Discussion (30 mins)

5.00pm - 5.45pm  Lecture:
Dan Vidler (45 mins)

5.45pm - 6.00pm  Short Break (15 mins)

6.00pm - 7.00pm  Lecture:
Guenther Schermann (60 mins)

7.00pm  Close
The official close of the Saturday Programme.

Saturday Programme continued over…
8.30pm - 9.30pm  
**Group:**
Facilitated Discussion Group  
*For those saying in the Bear Hotel, or in Devizes for the weekend, we are offering a facilitated discussion group for those who want to discuss further the material presented on day one.*  
**Location:** Ballroom  
**Facilitators:** Karen Alexander & Jonathan-Paul DeVierville

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**Sunday Programme: Lectures - Day Two**

9.00am - 9.55am  
**Crop Circles and Consciousness Workshop - Follow-up 2** *(55 mins)*  
*Second of two follow-up sessions for those who took part in the Crop Circles and Consciousness Workshop on Friday*  
**Facilitator:** Jonathan-Paul DeVierville  
**Location:** Ante-room

10.00am - 10.15am  
**Doors Open & Registration** *(15 mins)*  
**Location:** Ballroom

10.15am - 10.30am  
**Welcome | About Us | Introductions** *(15 mins)*

10.30am - 11.30am  
**Lecture:**  
Simon Miles *(60 mins)*

11.30am - 12.00pm  
**Break:**  
Refreshments | Networking | Discussion *(30 mins)*

12.00pm - 1.00pm  
**Lecture:**  
Michael Glickman *(60 mins)*

2.30pm - 3.30pm  
**Break:**  
Lunch *(90 mins)*

2.30pm - 3.30pm  
**Lecture:**  
Robin Heath *(60 mins)*

3.30pm - 3.45pm  
**Short Break** *(15 mins)*

3.45pm - 4.45pm  
**Lecture:**  
Karen Alexander *(60 mins)*

4.45pm - 5.15pm  
**Break:**  
Refreshments | Networking | Discussion *(30 mins)*

5.15pm - 6.15pm  
**Lecture:**  
Question & Answer Panel *(60 mins)*

6.15pm - 6.30pm  
**Short Break** *(15 mins)*
6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Closing Lecture:  
Jonathan-Paul DeVierville (60 mins)

7.30pm  
Close  
The official close of the Sunday Programme.

8.00pm - Late  
Conference Dinner  
The Conference Dinner is an opportunity to break-bread with and celebrate our conference and community. Served in the Bear Hotel this dinner needs to be booked in addition to your Saturday/Sunday lecture ticket. You will be asked to choose from several sections on our three course menu in advance. It's a great opportunity for late evening discussion and fond farewells.

Ticket Tariff

You can attend as little or as much of the weekend as you wish. There is a small discount for those booking for both the Saturday and Sunday programme and a further small discount if you book for the entire event. Details of how to make your booking are included on page 9 on in this brochure.

- Friday Introductory Lecture ................................................................. £10.00
- Friday Geometry Workshop ............................................................... £50.00
- Friday Crop Circles & Consciousness Workshop ............................... £50.00
- Saturday (only) Programme .............................................................. £55.00
- Sunday (only) Programme ................................................................. £55.00
- Saturday & Sunday Programme ........................................................ £100.00
- Sunday Conference Dinner ............................................................... £30.00
- Full Weekend Ticket (includes all the above) .................................... £230.00

Ticket Notes:

Any of the ticket options are bookable individually apart from the dinner.

Friday Geometry workshop: We provide all the drawing equipment and materials necessary to take part in the workshop - but please feel free to bring along your own compass or equipment as you prefer.

Friday Crop Circles & Consciousness Workshop: The Friday session of this workshop is a stand alone session and costs £50.00, however for those attending the entire weekend there are two supplementary sessions on Saturday and Sunday morning at no extra cost.

Conference Dinner: The Conference Dinner is held at the Bear Hotel at the conclusion of the weekend. Please see page 12 of this brochure for the menu. You will need to confirm your menu choices when you book.
Our Venue: The Bear Hotel, Devizes Wiltshire

We have decided to move our 2017 event onto the historic Bear Hotel in Devizes. Situated in the central market place of Devizes, with its old world charm, great food and welcoming atmosphere it is a firm favourite with those visiting the area. Their beautiful ballroom will become our auditorium for the conference and attendees will have the convenience of easy access to the hotel’s amenities during the weekend.

Devizes is a very pretty market town which is within easy driving access of Avebury stone circle, Silbury Hill, West Kennett Longbarrow and even Stonehenge. It makes a great base for those wanting to explore the surrounding countryside and visit any crop circles that are around.

The Bear Hotel Ballroom during our Winter Workshops
Accommodation

Devizes has a great selection of places to stay, and while you are not in any way obliged to stay in the Bear Hotel for the duration of the conference, we would recommend it highly.

**Important:** If you decide to stay at the Bear Hotel you will need to make your own reservation. The hotel can be contacted via the contact details above. Rooms begin at approx £90 per night. Please let them know you will be attending the conference when you book. All questions about the hotel and accommodation need to be addressed directly to the Bear Hotel itself.

Booking for the Conference

The conference is not offered as an all inclusive package to allow for maximum flexibility and all budgets. You book for the conference itself with us, but will then need to book your accommodation separately. Teas and coffee will be provided during the weekend, but meals (apart from the Conference Dinner if you book for it), are not included. You will of course be warmly welcomed if you decide to dine in the Bear Hotel itself, however, Devizes offers many excellent and varied cafes and restaurants for you to choose from.

**Bookings** are now open and are made by emailing Karen Alexander (Organiser) at admin@temporarytemples.co.uk. Payments are made either by cheque (if in the UK) or by PayPal. Please email us with details of the tickets you would like to book and we will email you back with confirmation of availability, cost and payment details. Note: the workshops always fill up first as they have limited numbers.

Like to attend the Conference as part of an Organised Tour?

**Crop Circles and Summer Lectures intensive. July 27 - 31, 2017 - 5 Days / 4 Nights**

Tour operators Journeys with Soul are offering a short tour which includes attendance at our conference and the opportunity to visit some of Wiltshire’s sacred sites and any circles that might be around. They have years of experience guiding people around Sacred England and the crop circles and we recommend them highly. Please visit their website for more information: www.journeyswithsoul.com
About your Facilitators and Speakers

Facilitators:

Karen Alexander is main conference organiser, conference host, workshop facilitator and speaker. Karen is a long time circles researcher (1990-present day) who has for many years brought a thoughtful and introspective touch to researching the crop circles. A highly respected and influential speaker and writer, her work seamlessly fuses sacred art, spirituality, psychology and philosophy - the scholarly and the intuitive. Karen is perhaps best known as the writer behind the annually published Crop Circle Year Books (1999 - 2016) and Crop Circles: Signs, Wonders & Mysteries (Arcturus, 2006 & updated in 2009 & 2012). She is also known for her hand drawn images and paintings of the crop circles which are widely admired and collected. Karen has a background in counselling and psychotherapy and has facilitated and taken part in a number of groups and projects over the last 20 years looking specifically into crop circles and their connection with consciousness.

Steve Alexander is conference co-organiser. He is an internationally renowned photographer, whose images of the crop circles have graced books, media, documentaries and cinematic films worldwide for over 20 years. Steve has long set the standard by which all other crop circle photography is judged, he is well-known for his influential sweeping landscape images of the circles and his high quality, artistic approach to recording the phenomenon. Steve has a longtime involvement with the crop circles spanning over 30 years. He is perhaps best known for his photography in the Crop Circle Year Books (1999 - 2016), the book Crop Circles: Signs, Wonders & Mysteries (Arcturus 2006 & updated in 2009 & 2012) and for his nine beautiful crop circle films.

Dr. Jonathan-Paul DeVierville is conference co-host, workshop facilitator and speaker. He is Professor Emeritus of The Humanities, History and Interdisciplinary Studies (from the Department of Social Sciences at St. Philips College, Texas). He is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a Licensed Professional Counsellor He owns and directs The Alamo Plaza Spa in San Antonio, Texas and is a regular teacher and speaker on Spa Culture all over the globe. Jonathan-Paul has taught analytical, depth and archetypal psychology and clinical psychotherapy at the post-graduate level and has a particular interest in dream work. In addition to all this he is a committed crop circle experiencer and researcher, with over 12 years of first-hand experience in the field.

Michael Glickman is a workshop facilitator and speaker. He is a much-loved, respected and influential elder-statesman figure of the crop circle community, whose work on the geometry and interpretation of the crop circles has spanned over 25 years. A former architect, inventor and teacher, he is now a renowned, inspirational and often out-spoken speaker and writer; he has long occupied a central space at the heart of research into this phenomenon. He is also known for his sharp wit and never being an opinion too far away from controversy! Michael has written many articles and is a regular blogger on the crop circles. His book, Crop Circles (published by Wooden Books), is now in its third revised edition. He is also author of Cornography (2007) and Crop Circles: The Bones of God (2009).
Speakers (In addition to our facilitator-speakers)

Gary King began researching the crop circle phenomenon in 1997. He first came to the public's attention after having been one of the three primary witnesses present at the formation and discovery of the East Field formation on the 7th July, 2007. Since then, he has lectured both nationally and internationally, and featured in numerous TV productions regarding the phenomenon. Working as a much sought-after tour guide, Gary carries a wealth of experience and knowledge that is both insightful and intellectually stimulating. Gary will be speaking about the crop circle that appeared at Ansty, Wiltshire in 2016 and which courted so much controversy. Here he will be presenting his investigative work and discussing the issues it raises not only for the crop circle phenomenon, but also for our attitudes towards the subject and the way we research it.

Albert Lamb came to England from America to attend Summerhill School in the 1960s and then went home to train as a comic strip cartoonist, a writer for children and a singer and piano player. He came back to England in 1989 to look for (and marry) his old girlfriend and settled down to editing books and magazines about alternative and democratic education and working democratically with kids and young people. He still draws, writes and makes music every day using a system of time management of his own invention known as the ‘Time Games’. In his talk ‘The Living Model’ Albert will talk about the forty years he has played daily Time Games, “tying myself to a personal written constitution I created for myself in 1974. Aiming for self-management and skill building these Games have actually given me a way of altering my relationship with time and spirit itself in ways that have become strongly influenced by my involvement with crop circles”.

Danny Boyle is one of the World’s classic Outsiders, he struggled for many years trying to find his place in conventional and limiting western societal structures. However, at just the tender age of eight he became aware of the spiritual side of life “I am a lifelong student of spirituality, spiritual/energy Healing, and the nature of Consciousness and conscious reality. I have worked with some great Shamans, and have also worked in the field of Past Life Regression Therapy with Roger Woolger and his gorgeous assistant (my Mother). My love for the subject of crop circles is absolute, as they are the most magical and mysterious phenomenon that humans have encountered so far.” Danny had been a regular attendee of the Summer Lectures for many years and will give his first presentation about ‘crop circles, life, the universe and everything’ this year.

Dan Vidler is a School teacher, ardent crop circle enthusiast, photographer and webmaster of www.ukcropcircles.co.uk which documents the interiors and ground details of the crop circles. He has been a regular and popular speaker at the Summer Lectures since their inception. Dan has a keen eye for the fine detail of the circles; the lay of the crop and other significant ground details. Each year he presents us with the intrigues and delights of the interior of the circles, so easily missed by all but the most eagle-eyed, accompanied with an eye-watering array of beautiful photography.

Guenther Schermann has studied mathematics for 25 years and works and lives in the city of Vienna. He has a long time interest in the esoteric science of numbers and was immediately drawn to the geometry and number of the crop circles. He has been visiting southern England for over 21 years now and in that time has been actively researching the phenomenon. In his talk: Crop circles: sacred geometry, harmony, beauty and deeper knowledge, he will discuss the idea that 25 years of geometric and complex crop circles are preparing mankind for some kind of awakening and remembering. Guenther is well known for his lively and enthusiastic presentations, illustrated with an incredible array of colourful diagrams and photographs.

Simon Miles is an independent writer and investigator with a wide range of research interests. The main focus of his work for many years has been the subject of landscape geometry in the ancient world, particularly in the south of France. Originally from Australia and now resident in the UK, he has been fascinated by crop circles since the early days of the modern phenomenon. In his talk: Two Sharks and a Triquetra, Simon will discuss his own journey with the crop circles through time, geometry, synchronicity and landscape and then onto his thoughts about the duality of the crop circle phenomenon and how we might bridge it to reach a third and new understanding of the phenomenon.

Annemieke Witteveen is a primary school teacher from the Netherlands and came the crop circle subject 15 years ago. She was deeply moved by the beautiful crop circles and the Wiltshire landscape and instinctively knew there was something about them that she had been searching for. Annemieke returns to Wiltshire each summer where she is most often found in the latest circles! She is also a longtime lecturer on the subject and her talks are filled with her experiences in the circles and her findings from the fields in the hope she inspires everyone to form their own ideas about what this enigmatic phenomenon means. In her talk she will discuss the Goddess formation of 2008 and the role human consciousness may have played in its manifestation.

Robin Heath is an independent researcher into ancient wisdom, specialising in archaeoastronomy and megalithic culture. He has written nine books on this and allied subjects, including the best selling Sun Moon & Stonehenge: Proof of High Culture in Ancient Britain, Power Points: Secret Rulers & Hidden Forces in the Landscape and Alexander Thom: Cracking the Stone Age Code. In a varied career Robin has enjoyed being a research scientist in computer chips, a marketing manager in electronics, a senior lecturer in mathematics and engineering and head of department in a college of further education. Since 1974 he has also been practicing as an astrologer and is a highly regarded astrologer who has taught in all the leading schools of astrology in the UK and been the editor of the international Astrological Association Journal. In his talk Robin will be discussing his new book: Temple the the Hills, in which he details his groundbreaking research into the original Stonehenge.

More Information: There will be more information about our speakers in the official Conference Programme which will be available later in the year from our website as a PDF or a printed version will be available at the conference.
Conference Dinner Menu

The Bear Hotel has an excellent reputation for fine dining!

Please note: you will need to state your menu choices when you book for the conference.

Starters

Mozzarella, tomato and pesto salad (v)
Wild Mushroom fricassee in puff pastry case and truffle dressing (v)
Chicken liver parfait with crostini and caramelised onion chutney

Main Course

Butternut squash and potato wellington with tomato and tarragon sauce (v)
Fillet of sea bass with cherry tomato risotto and basil pesto
Roast Sirloin of beef with Yorkshire pudding, red wine gravy and chateau potatoes

Dessert

Lemon posset with shortbread biscuit (v)
Warm Chocolate Brownie with Chantilly cream (v)
Apple pie and vanilla custard (v)

Coffees and Tea

Special Requirements: Please advise us upon booking if you have allergies so that we can offer an alternative if need be. We can also cater for those who need a gluten-free diet.

For More Information, or if you have any questions about any aspect of our event please contact us:
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