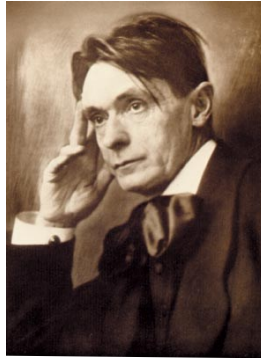


# Foundation Studies

**Rudolf Steiner** was born in the small village of Kraljevec, Austria (now in Croatia) in 1861 and died in Dornach, Switzerland in 1925.



In university, he concentrated on mathematics, physics and chemistry. Having written his thesis on philosophy, Steiner earned his doctorate and was later drawn into literary and scholarly circles and participated in the rich social and political life of Vienna.

The Waldorf school movement originated with a school Steiner developed for the children of factory employees at the Waldorf-Astoria cigarette factory. Today, Waldorf schools are all over the world. There are homes, schools and village communities for children and adults with special needs. Biodynamic agriculture began with a course of lectures requested by a group of farmers concerned about the destructive trend of "scientific" farming. Steiner's work with doctors led to a medical movement that includes clinics, hospitals and various forms of therapeutic work. As an art of movement, eurythmy also serves educational and therapeutic work.

Excerpted from SteinerBooks Anthroposophic Press at <http://www.steinerbooks.org/aboutrudolf.html>

## BOOK LIST:

Books by Rudolf Steiner

- *Theosophy*
- *The Education of the Child*
- *The Kingdom of Childhood*
- *Rosicrucian Wisdom*
- *Esoteric Science*

## RECOMMENDED READING:

*Phases of Childhood* by Bernhard Lievegoed

*Between Form and Freedom* by Betty Staley

*School Renewal: A Spiritual Journey for Change* by Torin Finser

*Free to Learn* by Lynne Oldfield

*Understanding Waldorf Education* by Jack Petrash

*Education Towards Freedom* by Frans Carlgren



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Waldorf School of Orange County's program of Foundation Studies is a two-year program which will enable participants to

continue for a further two years with the WSOC Teacher Training Program, if desired. Courses in Anthroposophy and Waldorf Education are the two main areas of study, supported by intense artistic work. Some further courses will include a Biography workshop, an Early Childhood workshop, Dante's Divine Comedy, the Development of Consciousness through Literature, the History of Music, Parzival and others.

The program, which began in 2009, is directed by Chris Bennett, who joined the faculty of WSOC in September 2009 and is the former Director of Kula Makua Adult Waldorf Education in Honolulu, and was an instructor at the London Waldorf Teacher Training Seminar (UK) for many years before that. Faculty members from WSOC will be supporting this program in addition to guest teachers from the wider Anthroposophical movement.

### SCHEDULE AND FEES FOR YEAR 1:

INDUCTION WEEKEND: Sept. 12-13, 2014  
FUTURE DATES: Friday and Saturday in 2014: Oct 3-4, Oct 24-25, Nov 14-15, Dec 12-13  
2015: Jan 09-10, Jan 30-31, Feb 27-28, Mar 20-21, Apr 19-20, Apr 17-18, May 15-16. Jun 5-6

TUESDAYS: 2014: Sept 16, Oct 7, Oct 28, Nov 18, Dec 16  
2015: Jan 13, Feb 3, Mar 3, Mar 4, Apr 21, May 19, Jun 9

INDUCTION WEEKEND: Friday night from 6:30-9:00 pm, Saturday 8:30am-3:30 pm  
REGULAR WEEKENDS: Friday nights from 7:00 – 9:00 pm and Saturdays from 8:30am – 3:30 pm  
WORKSHOP WEEKEND: 5:00-9:00 pm on Friday evenings and Saturdays from 8:30am – 3:30 pm  
TUESDAYS: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**FEES:** The fee for the first half (first year) of the Foundation Studies course is \$2,500 payable as follows: \$200 non-refundable deposit due with registration, 10 monthly payments of \$230, September through June. The fee for the second half (second year) is \$2,500 payable as follows: 10 monthly payments of \$250, September through June.

## The First Year

*The first year program will include:*

**Child Development and the Basics of Waldorf Education.** This class will be centered around the study of two of Rudolf Steiner's basic books on Waldorf Education: *The Education of the Child* and *The Kingdom of Childhood*, with a detailed look at child development and wide-ranging discussions of the various themes and topics arising.

**Theosophy** (by Rudolf Steiner), the study of the human being in relation to the cosmos from an Anthroposophical perspective.

**Artistic Activities** will include a combination of several of the following activities: singing, eurythmy, speech, black and white drawing, painting, form drawing, handwork, modeling and projective geometry.

**A Biography Workshop**, with Lee Sturgeon Day on October 5 and 6, 2012: a look at the cycles and rhythms of one's life from a spiritual point of view.

**A Painting Workshop with Angelika Kolbe**, May 15-16: Watercolor painting exploring the wet-on-wet technique used in the grades. Angelika is a very experienced class teacher and art teacher, as well as an artist in her own right.

### REGISTRATION FORM:

I am registering for the Foundation Studies course at WSOC:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

This two-year, part-time study is offered from September, 2014 to June, 2016.

The tuition is \$2,500 per year for certificate of completion, payable as follows:

Monthly payments, September through June

To receive a certificate, students must attend 80% of the classes and all assignments need to be handed in.

Please register as soon as possible.

Mail this form with your check for the \$200 deposit to:

WSOC – Foundation Studies  
Attn: Chris Bennett

2350 Canyon Drive  
Costa Mesa, CA 92627

You may also register online by sending an email to

Chris. Bennett at [chrisbennett\\_xemxi@yahoo.com](mailto:chrisbennett_xemxi@yahoo.com)

Any questions? Please contact Chris.

\*Dates may be subject to change.