

The Theosophical Society in America

Texas Federation

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The Texas Federation is comprised of members of the Theosophical Society in America living in the state of Texas, and also includes the Austin Study Center, Dallas Study Center, Houston Lodge, Houston Vietnamese Study Center, New Braunfels Study Center, San Antonio Lodge, and West Houston Study Center.



MAY 7, 8, 9 - 2021
VIRTUAL MEETING

Author and Historian: Mitch Horowitz

About Mitch Horowitz...



Washington Post: “Treats esoteric ideas and movements with an even-handed intellectual studiousness that is too often lost in today’s raised-voice discussions.”

HuffPost: “Has the rare gift of making the esoteric accessible to discerning masses.”

David Lynch: “Mitch is solid gold.”

Mitch Horowitz is a historian of alternative spirituality and one of today’s most literate voices of esoterica, mysticism, and the occult.

Mitch illuminates outsider history, explains its relevance to contemporary life, and reveals the longstanding quest to bring empowerment and agency to the human condition.

He is widely credited with returning the term “New Age” to respectable use and is among the few occult writers whose work touches the bases of academic scholarship, national journalism, and subculture cred.

Mitch is a writer-in-residence at the New York Public Library, lecturer-in-residence at the Philosophical Research Society in Los Angeles, and the PEN Award-winning author of books including [*Occult America*](#); [*One Simple Idea*](#); and [*The Miracle Club*](#).

He has discussed alternative spirituality on CBS Sunday Morning, Dateline NBC, Vox/Netflix’s [*Explained*](#), [*VICE News*](#), and AMC Shudder’s [*Cursed Films*](#), an official selection of SXSW. Mitch is collaborating with Emmy-nominated director Ronni Thomas on a feature documentary about the occult classic [*The Kybalion*](#), shot on location in Egypt and releasing in 2021.

Mitch has written on everything from [*the war on witches*](#) to the [*chequered career*](#) of professional skeptic James Randi for *The New York Times*, *Boing Boing*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, *Time*, *Politico*, and a wide range of ‘zines and scholarly journals. He narrates audio books including [*Alcoholics Anonymous*](#) and [*Raven: The Untold Story of the Rev. Jim Jones and His People*](#) (the author of which handpicked him as the voice of Jones).

Mitch’s book [*Awakened Mind*](#) is one of the first works of New Thought translated and published in Arabic. Mitch received the Walden Award for Interfaith/Intercultural Understanding. The Chinese government has censored his work.

Visit him at MitchHorowitz.com.



The Texas Federation of the Theosophical Society in America 85th Annual Convention



Friday Evening 05/07/2021

7:00 pm Opening

7:15 pm Speaker Is America an Occult Nation?

Mitch explores the currents of history that have converged to shape our nation as a laboratory of religious experiment

Saturday 05/08.2021

10:00 am Readings for White Lotus Day

10:15 am Speaker Occult America

From the colonial era to the present day, Mitch describes the distinctive role of occult and esoteric spirituality in America, and America's role in shaping those movements in the modern world. He pays particular attention to movements including Freemasonry, Theosophy, and Spiritualism and the changes they brought to America and the world.

2:00 pm Speaker The Mind-Power Revolution

Mitch discusses the study of ESP, mind-body healing, thought causation, and how it has played a special role in American history and shaped this current moment in our lives.

Sunday 05/09 2021

10:00 am Speaker Secrets, Myths, and Truths

Mitch looks at some of the longstanding stories around "secret societies" and separates fact from fiction to chart a course forward for the role of esoteric spirituality as a clarion call to seekers today.

12:00 noon Business Meeting (*Members only*)

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REGISTRATION FORM

Registration fee

\$50.00

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The Federation Meeting will be conducted on Zoom.

Please register as soon as possible and be sure to include your email address.

We will send your Zoom invitation to that address before the meeting.