

SPEAKERS

Philip Goldberg

Philip Goldberg has been studying India's spiritual traditions for more than 50 years as a practitioner, teacher, and writer. He is the author or coauthor of over twenty books, including the acclaimed *American Veda: From Emerson and the Beatles to Yoga and Meditation – How Indian Spirituality Changed the West*, which was named one of the top ten religion books of the year. His latest book, *The Life of Yogananda: The Yogi Who Became the First Modern Guru*, is the first full-scale biography of Paramahansa Yogananda. An ordained interfaith minister, a spiritual counselor, and a meditation teacher trained in 1970 by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, he is an illuminating and entertaining public speaker who has presented at venues throughout the U.S. and India. He blogs on the *Spirituality & Health* magazine online as well as on the *Elephant Journal* and serves on the board of The Interfaith Observer. He also conducts tours of India with American Veda Tours and cohosts the popular *Spirit Matters* podcast, which features interviews with spiritual teachers and leaders.

Pravrajika Brahma-prana

Pravrajika Brahma-prana is currently the resident minister of the Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of North Texas in Dallas, which is affiliated with the Vedanta Society of Southern California. She has been a member of the Sarada Convent in Southern California since 1973 and is an ordained sannyasini. A Vedanta representative on several interfaith councils in America, including the renowned Snowmass Interspiritual Dialog, founded by Fr. Thomas Keating she is a guest lecturer at schools, colleges, and universities in America and India. She has compiled and edited several books on Vedanta, including *The Complete Works of Swami Vivekananda, Volume 9; Vivekachudamani of Sri Shankaracharya*, translated by Swami Turiyananda; and *With the Swamis in America and India*. She has also written numerous articles on the philosophy and practice of Vedanta for journals and anthologies in America and abroad.

Swami Tattwamayananda

A monk of the Ramakrishna Order of India, Swami Tattwamayananda is the minister in charge of the Vedanta Society of Northern California in San Francisco, which was originally founded by Swami Vivekananda in 1900. Previously he was a teacher at the Order's monastic Probationers' Training Center at its headquarters in Kolkata, India. From a young age, he underwent traditional training in Hindu scriptures, Sanskrit, and Vedic and Vedantic literature. A scholar in Sanskrit, Vedic studies, and Indian philosophy, he has taught Hindu and Buddhist scriptures as well as having served as editor, publisher, and writer in various capacities in the Order. He came to the U.S. in 2012 and has been in charge of the Society since 2014. He is frequently invited to give lectures, retreats, and seminars throughout the U.S., Canada, and abroad.

MONDAY, MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 27, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Chant, Meditation, Welcome

10:15 a.m.

**THEME – UNIVERSAL SPIRITUAL HUMANISM: SWAMI VIVEKANANDA
AND AMERICA'S SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION**
(Celebrating the 125th Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda's Historic
Chicago Addresses at the First World's Parliament of Religions in 1893)

***"The Enduring Impact of Swami Vivekananda
On America's Consciousness"***

Philip Goldberg

"Vivekananda the Guru:

How He Transmits Spirituality to Us Here and Now"

Pravrajika Brahma-prana

"Swami Vivekananda's Legacy:

A Continuation of India's Ancient Spiritual Heritage"

Swami Tattwamayananda

12:45 p.m.

Light Lunch

1:45 p.m.

Meditation

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Moderated by Swami Tattwamayananda

Meditation

4:15 p.m.

Buffet Dinner

Informal Meeting with the Speakers

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