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Dr. Frank Albo is an architectural historian and an expert on the Western mystery tradition. He holds graduate degrees in Ancient Near Eastern languages (Toronto), Western Esotericism (Amsterdam), and the History of Architecture, receiving his PhD from the University of Cambridge. His best-selling book, The Hermetic Code, launched a national media storm and he has lectured internationally on a broad range of subjects, from Babylonian astronomy and medieval cathedrals to indigenous knowledge systems and the mysteries of Freemasonry. In an exhilarating blend of scholarly intrigue and Indiana Jones-style discovery, Dr. Albo peels back conventional history and brings to life a golden thread of forbidden knowledge and mystical architecture hidden all around us.

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THE GOLDEN THREAD JULY 2 - JULY 18

JULY 2 - HERMES TRISMEGISTUS

Hermes Trismegistus was credited with writing a library of books on magic, alchemy, astrology, theology, and philosophy. He was extolled as the original font of prophetic wisdom, the inventor of hieroglyphs, and his name was synonymous with miraculous powers and secret knowledge. Find out about the first teacher of science, the conqueror of Hades, and the archetypical guide of souls who sparked radical genius throughout the ages.

JULY 4 - DIVINE LANGUAGE

What if there was a mother tongue that provided secret access to unlimited power? What if the sounds of a universal language enabled dominion over the laws of nature? For millennia, philosophers and theologians have sought to recover the original language spoken at the dawn of time. Find out how this ambitious pursuit changed the face of Europe and how a language of occult emblems brought one empire to power and another to its knees.

JULY 9 - ASCENT TO HEAVEN

From the pyramids at Saqqara to mysticism of Islam, ascents to heaven were described as treacherous voyages through progressive realms of spiritual illumination. The gates of heaven were demarcated by elaborate trials, ritual formulae, and knowing the proper spells to appease fierce angelic guardians. But why was paradise so sternly protected and what were the incantations that permitted entry into the highest abode of the divine mystery? A re there direct methods for accessing higher dimensions of Athought? Is there a transcendent power to music and have certain numbers been encoded in the orientation of stars? In The Golden Thread, Frank Albo sets down for the first time a stream of esoteric philosophy that has secretly advanced the history of world civilization.

The Golden Thread peers into the remote chambers of perennial knowledge and unveils a body of mystical teachings uniting theology, philosophy, psychology, and science. From the mystery schools of Hellenistic Egypt to the geometry of creation, The Golden Thread explores timeless principles of advanced learning about our essential nature and the architecture of the cosmos.

JULY 11 - HARMONY OF THE SPHERES

Does a celestial harmony permeate the order of creation? Does music affect the nature of matter, human behaviour, and the cycles of planets and stars? This class traces the history of cosmic musical theory, from ancient Greek philosophy to the aspirations of Hermetic sages who wanted to mine the vibratory harmonics at the heart of creation. Discover the intercausal links between music, mysticism, magic, and the soul.

JULY 16 - THEOLOGY OF MATH

Sacred numbers have been ascribed to hidden biblical mysteries, Renaissance architectural theory, and the structure of the universe. Beyond its mere formulation as mathematical tools, numbers also functioned as guides to mystical experience and were used to express ineffable truths. Are numbers endowed with spiritual reality? Discover how the mysticism of numbers has been integrated into Western culture, from the alphabet to the xylophone.

JULY 18 - GEOMETRY OF CREATION

Is there a hidden system of geometry that determines the shape of everything in nature and the human body? From the Parthenon to Da Vinci's Last Supper, geometry was considered a touchstone of sacred power, representing what was believed to be the kernel of all advancement, truth, and mystery. Do polygons hold the secrets to the unity of life? Find out how a science of measuring evolved into a science of consciousness.



FORBIDDEN KNOWLEDGE JULY 22 - AUGUST 8

JULY 22 - HERMETICISM – EMPIRICAL GNOSIS

Does a hierarchy of spiritual forces permeate the cosmos? Is everything in nature a veiled sign waiting to be decoded? What are the mystical revelations for attaining true knowledge of the world and the human condition? This class is an introduction to Hermeticism, a world of divine mysteries and ecstatic visions ascribed to the legendary mystagogue Hermes Trismegistus, the first teacher of occult sciences and the embodiment of arcane wisdom.

JULY 25 - ALCHEMY – ELEMENTAL MATRIMONY

For over two millennia, alchemy aroused the cupidity of kings, the blind fear of mobs, and the aspirations of countless secret societies. Its obscure origins are concerned with the transmutation of base metals into gold, the quest for the Philosopher's Stone, and the mystical art of spiritual transmutation. How did this seemingly irrational fool's errand attract some of the greatest minds of Western thought, from Isaac Newton to Swiss psychologist C.G. Jung?

July 30 - Kabbalah – Linguistic Mysticism

Is the Old Testament really a cosmic recipe book? Do Hebrew letters represent primordial echoes presiding over all of creation? Kabbalah is a Jewish system of mystical speculation concerning the genesis of the universe by grammatical magic. Not only has it profoundly influenced the history of biblical speculation, but it has also become one of the fastest growing religions of Hollywood, attracting celebrities Madonna, Mick Jagger, and Demi Moore. A re there secret disciplines capable of unlocking supernatural Abilities? Is there a language of mystical symbolism hidden in scripture, monuments, corporate logos, and world events? Is there a sinister cabal using this knowledge for global domination? If you have ever wondered about the truth behind any of these claims, then this course is for you.

Forbidden Knowledge embarks on a fascinating journey through thousands of years of esoteric philosophy from ancient Egyptian cosmology to modern popular culture. In an edifying feast of religious mythology, occult history, and code-breaking symbolism, Forbidden Knowledge offers real answers to the mysteries of secret societies and the covert wisdom traditions of the West.

AUGUST 1 - ROSICRUCIANS – THE INVISIBLE COLLEGE

Does a clandestine Rosicrucian Brotherhood possess the lost secrets of ancient alchemy? For nearly four centuries, this mysterious fraternity has been the subject of endless fascination, speculation, and intrigue. Its cryptic manifestos proclaimed the advent of a universal science that would bring about a new age of spiritual enlightenment. Find out about one of the most gripping tales of magic, heresy, and esoteric regeneration.

AUGUST 6 - FREEMASONRY – RITUAL MORALITY

Is the all-seeing eye on the U.S. dollar bill a cryptic sign of Freemasonry? The secrecy of their rites hint of sacrilege and their clannish loyalties are accused of undermining the principles of social justice. How did a guild of medieval stonemasons rise to become the world's most powerful fraternal organisation? Are its arcane symbols all around us, hidden in plain view? Discover the truth behind the origins, meaning, and ceremonies of the Freemasons.

August 8 - Illuminati – Cult of Perfectibility

They are accused of orchestrating the most diabolical plots in human history. Their esoteric rituals and political coups are claimed to have influenced kings, emperors, statesman, and modern rap music. But are the Illuminati really a corporate elite bidding to take over the world? For over two hundred years, this notorious secret society have enthralled and enraged public opinion. This class separates fact from fiction.



MYSTICAL ARCHITECTURE AUGUST 13 - AUGUST 29

AUGUST 13 - SECRETS OF SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

Solomon's Temple has been interpreted as an encyclopaedia of sacred knowledge and a metaphysical model of world salvation. The configuration of the Temple paralleled the ascending levels of the divine mystery and marked stages of mystical progress assimilated into the designs of medieval cathedrals, Masonic lodges, and Mormon temples. Through a re-examination of biblical stories and esoteric lore, this class peers into God's only architectural project.

AUGUST 15 - CLASSICAL ARCHITECTURE UNVEILED

Does the language of Greek sacred architecture derive from rituals of bloody sacrifice? Is there a science of beauty found in the plans of Roman temples? This class recovers the hidden meaning of Classical architecture and explores a lost canon of design principles underlying the construction of ancient buildings from Baalbek to the Pantheon. Understand why symbols of pagan ritual continue to ornament and inform our cityscapes and public buildings.

AUGUST 20 - DECODING GOTHIC CATHEDRALS

Crafted from a hundred million pounds of stone and soaring to colossal heights, Gothic cathedrals are masterworks of aesthetic genius and mathematical wonder. How did the builders of the Middle Ages execute such monumental feats with simple hand tools? This class unveils the esoteric symbolism at the heart of medieval architecture. Discover how cathedral architects used mystical ratios to motivate our experience with the divine. Concealed in the stones and dimensions of the most celebrated works of architecture are hidden messages and symbolic codes. Are the mysteries of heaven encoded in the measurements of King Solomon's Temple? Are Gothic cathedrals architectural talismans based on biblical numerology? Was Winnipeg designed to be a New Jerusalem to spearhead the opening of the West?

Mystical Architecture unravels a matrix of esoteric ideas that will radically change your perception of the built environment. It traces the development of mystical conceptions of design from biblical architecture to grandiose plans for rebuilding Berlin. Mystical Architecture reveals an underground stream of aesthetic principles permeating the construction of our buildings, churches, gardens, and cities.

August 22 - The Architecture of Paradise

From Atlantis to Shambhala, worlds of extraordinary splendour have enchanted us since the Garden of Eden. The longing to recreate a perfect society runs through the whole of Western culture, but is there a dark side to the architecture of utopia? Discover how the architecture of paradise spawned a revolution in city-planning, which influenced the design of Washington D. C. and inspired the Nazi Party to establish a New World Order.

AUGUST 27 - WINNIPEG AND THE HEAVENLY JERUSALEM

At the turn of the twentieth century, Winnipeg was a thriving centre for the architectural avant-garde. It attracted the most influential builders on the continent whose visions of urban planning promoted the idea that architecture could be used to control a rapidly growing population. Could buildings instil civic obedience and moral virtue? Find out the secret history of Winnipeg and a lost vision of rebuilding the Heavenly Jerusalem in the heart of Canada.

AUGUST 29 - HERMETIC CODE TOUR

Have you ever wondered why the Manitoba Legislative Building has sphinxes on the roof? Do you want to know the true identity of the Golden Boy? You and a guest will join Frank Albo for an unforgettable evening of magic, mystery, and architectural wonder. He will take you along step-by-step to reveal a trail of occult clues concealed in the building's architecture so intelligently masked they have escaped historians and visitors for nearly a hundred years.