

SAVITRI

THE CONQUEST OF DEATH

Inmersion Workshop in Menorca on the Mantric Poem of Sri Aurobindo (1872-1950)

by ROD HEMSELL

EASTERN WEEK From April 12th until April 16th 2017

The real experiences known by **Sri Aurobindo**, makes of his mantric poem *SAVITRI* a legacy and a true map of the diverse levels of consciousness, directed to all those seekers of the occult and the ways of the spirit.

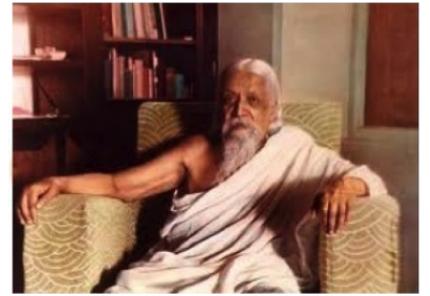
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The conquest of death is in fact the primary aim of the Integral Yoga of Transformation, as we learn from the many volumes of Sri Aurobindo's philosophy of yoga, and from the Mother's Agenda. And *Savitri* is the mantric transmission of the will and force that are activated in this Yoga. The principles of such a yoga are stated throughout *Savitri* and many of the practices known to various schools of yoga are also described. But in the cantos of Books 9-11 the process of the conquest of death and rebirth is narrated and the path is defined with explicit detail. The aim of this workshop will be to see and hear through the power of the Sruti this teaching.

As we are told in the central canto, at the apex of Aswapati's Yoga: "One shall descend and break the iron law... Fate shall be changed by an unchanging will."

What is being transmitted by *Savitri* is fundamentally not information for the mind. **Sri Aurobindo's intention** is to transmit the force of truth from the highest planes of consciousness. At some point in our development and our ability to hear, we are no longer gathering information or interpreting anything, but we are in the presence of the **Goddess of Illumined Speech**. She is invoked, becomes present, and fills one with the divine force.

Rod will also present additional commentaries based on parallel teachings from Tibetan Buddhism by Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche, Songyal Rinpoche, Dzogchen Ponlop, and the Dalai Lama, from some of whom Rod has received personal teachings and empowerments.



Rod Hemsell is a northamerican philosopher dedicated to educational work and author of articles, books and essays on religion, philosophy and Integral Yoga. From 1968 to 1983, he lived in the Ashram of Sri Aurobindo and in the universal city Auroville, in India. Participating as one of the first pioneers in those remote and precarious beginnings, with Mirra Alfassa, better known as The Mother, visionary and Founder of **Auroville**, "The city of the dawn".

<http://www.auroville.org>

As a profound scholar of **Sri Aurobindo's** literary legacy, Rod traveled throughout India giving lectures and seminars in schools and universities to spread the Auroville project, being an enthusiast of the philosophy of this city dedicated to human unity.

The specific dedication of Rod Hemsell to Savitri, a mantric poem impregnated with wisdom that was written by the great yogi Sri Aurobindo during the last 20 years of his life, was fulfilled in his presentation of this Poem, in "the Parliament of the Religions of the World" celebrated in Chicago, 1993. Since 1994 Rod has held annual immersion workshops in Savitri at the Sri Aurobindo Learning Center in Crestone, Colorado, as well as in different centers around of the world.

Rod Hemsell consulted with **Mirra Alfassa**, the spiritual cohort of Sri Aurobindo, on his presentations of Savitri in the early 1970s. This poem was written in "mantric verse," in whose vibration the syllable, Om, and the Vedic Gayatri mantra, are immanently found. Participation in a seminar of Savitri allows the revelation of the yogic knowledge of Sri Aurobindo embedded in his work, which has its origin in the Vedas, Upanishads and Tantra.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Savitri:_A_Legend_and_a_Symbol

In 2007 Rod co-founded the "**University of Human Unity**" in Auroville, an innovative and alternative educational space that expresses itself in the fullness of the exploration of a new conscience.

<http://www.universityofhumanunity.org>

Savitri Immersion Workshop Menorca 2017

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From Wednesday April 12th until Sunday April 16th 2017

TIMETABLE:

Wednesday 12th:

Check-in 15:30 - 16:00.

Workshop introduction 17:00 - 19:00. Dinner: 20:00

Thursday 13th - Saturday 15th:

Pranayama and Meditation 7 - 8 am. Breakfast 8 - 9 am

Savitri Immersion from: 09:30 - 11:30. Tea Break 11:30 - 12:00

Savitri Immersion from: 12:00 - 13:30. Lunch & Siesta 13:30 - 16:00

Savitri Immersion from: 16:00 - 17:30. Tea Break 17:30 - 18:00

Activities organized by the TAM integral team: 18:00 - 19:30.

Dinner: 20:00

Meditation (optional): 21:30 - 22:00

Closing on Sunday 16th:

Savitri Immersion from: 09:30 - 12:00. Lunch 13:30

Contribution for the 5 days workshop, including 3 daily meals, lodging, and teachings will be 555 €, shared room in Sa Dragonera (700 € for individual hotel room need booking in advance)

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