

ASTRO Networks Victoria Inc.

is proud to present

Benjamin Turale

to speak on



Antimony & the Philosopher's Stone

Benjamin is a practicing laboratory Alchemist and serves as the Director of Education for the International Alchemy Guild (IAG). He has a particular interest in the antimonial path to the *Magnum Opus* (Great Work).

His creative output focuses on the confection of spagyric products, practicing ceremonial magic, and conducting workshops through his business, the Temple of Mercury. Benjamin trained in the Albertian lineage of the Hermetic tradition and was awarded the prestigious Paracelsus Award for his contributions to the field.

Alchemy and the Hermetic tradition spans with historical evidence over at least 2000 years, being an ancient discipline that bridges science, consciousness studies and spiritual gnosis. Throughout history alchemists have developed different paths for confection of the *Lapis Philosophorum* – the Philosopher's Stone, utilising different materials and operations.

This presentation promises to lift the veil on this highly secretive and enigmatic art, exploring the theory and practice of alchemy specifically with antimony and the practice of *spagyrics*, the term coined by Renaissance alchemist Paracelsus describing the process of confecting alchemical medicines.

Evenings' Presentation will Focus on;

- ❖ *A Brief History of Alchemy and the Hermetic Tradition.*
- ❖ *An Introduction to Antimony, an Element used in Alchemy for at least 2 Millennia.*
- ❖ *Famous Alchemists who Utilised Antimony in their Paths, Examining their Work through Text and Imagery.*
- ❖ *Practical Photos and Videos from the Presenter's Own Labwork Reproducing these Paths.*
- ❖ *Spagyric Medicines Produced from Antimony and Gold.*

**Alchemy, an Ancient Discipline that Bridges Science, Consciousness and Spirituality.
A Very Interesting and Informative Evening! See You There!**

Monday, the 17th of March, 2025

Doors Open: 7:45 p.m. (Presentation commences at 8:00 p.m.)

Members - \$5.00

Non Members - \$15.00

Kew Library, Cnr Cotham Road & Civic Drive, Kew, 3101

Organic Teas/Coffee/Hot Chocolate/Herbal Teas with Biscuits, provided

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