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## The AA meets the OTO in Tokyo

“Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law”

I can never forget this hot summer! Yes, it was so hot climatically, but magically in here Japan. Frater VMI, Lodge Master of Nihil invited me to Thelemafest II, outside festival of Thelemites which was held at Chiba prefecture in the end of July. It included four workshops, a Gnostic Mass, initiation, group Resh, yogic instruction and joyous BBQ. I carried out two workshops in Japanese, “Perspective of two Thelemic Orders; the AA and the OTO” and the “Basics of Qabalah in Thelema, some interesting numbers in Aleister Crowley’s work.” Additionally, I assumed the role of Saladin for new Japanese Minerval.



Another two English workshops about Mass and Tarot were pretty interesting. I really enjoyed witty dialogue with my brethren. It was so impressive, enlightening and delightful! I truly experienced “Peace, Tolerance, Truth” in OTO. The big event, “The Path of the Great Return and The Path in the Eternity, the AA and the OTO” held in September was a great success. I would like to thank the brethren of Australia, Asia-Pacific OTO members, my colleagues of OTO Japan and all our friends. I really appreciate all the comradeship, much love and drive for this amazing event,

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## Where the Magick’s At

I’d like to take a moment to summarize some personal reflections I’ve enjoyed on the Gunther/Shiva talks last month. Shiva spoke first and made some very frank statements concerning the relationship of OTO and AA, illustrating their intimate symbiosis and unique respective natures, and then Gunther went on to describe the system of the AA and its more salient initiatory and Aeon motifs. In essence, what was done was a systematic furtherance of rhetoric that attempts to distinguish these two august Orders. This campaign began with early warnings from Crowley himself and continues to this day.

These Japan talks noted that the purpose of AA is that of a complete initiation – Angel and Abyss – while the OTO is designed to establish Thelema’s natural social manifestation, the securing of a world conducive to Aspirants. Crowley noted that the Man of Earth triad was preparatory for the work of the Neophyte, and that the higher initiations of OTO would prepare one as a perfect 6=5, but nothing more. The Thelemite relying solely upon OTO to fulfill his or her initiatory aspirations must accept an inherent limitation. There is no promise of attaining to Master of the Temple, such an initiation being under the auspices of the Great White Brotherhood. If OTO purports to do otherwise, it is being misleading at best, so instead OTO gives authority of the higher aspiration to AA. I believe

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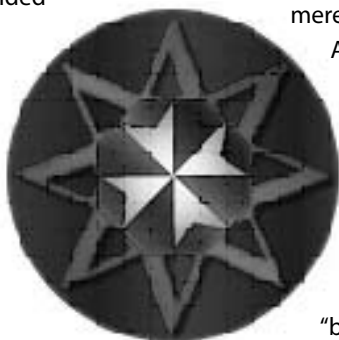
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our Holy three days for AA and OTO doctrines. I'd like to greatly thank the two lecturers Frater Shiva X and my magical hero, J. Daniel Gunther who brought true Light and Love to Japan.

"This truth is of two orders: one, concerning Nature external to Man; two, concerning Nature internal to Man" (Blue Equinox). Frater Shiva provided a wonderful emblem of the event called "Amaranth Cross" which suggests collaboration and alliance between two Orders of Thelema. He presented 13 topics on the OTO providing several new viewpoints, particularly the interpenetration between AA/OTO and harmonizing these two. These two mottos, "The method of Science; the aim of Religion" and "Deus est Homo" are two strategic Truths in the New Aeon.

In the second lecture, Shiva X revealed undeveloped aspect of OTO that is a psychology of OTO or analysis of progression of the process of OTO initiations. The individuation would be supported by those processes of initiation according to the formative method of Tetragrammaton or "Sum Umbra Alarum Taurum (SUAT)." The Path in Eternity is always dramatic. It is the Path of social scientific illumination and for making Cosmic Mandala, which leads us to the balance of Rosy-Cross or more higher secrets. The curriculum of OTO is the life of the individual. Frater Shiva X suggested relativity between the formula of the Four Powers of Sphinx or Tetragrammaton and the constructive path in OTO. If those lectures will be done at any countries, all attendees are getting several new ideas about OTO from there.

How can we know the Nature of AA? The Order has no name among men, but known as the Great White Brotherhood in history. Brother Daniel revealed the structure, alchemical functions and inner traditions of the Order. The Path of the Great Return is the great plan for the true spiritual return to our home, the eventual Nulliversion, true illumination not as the One, but None. The lectures by Gunther were endless surprises which included the nature of AA, the Powers of the Sphinx, process and right perspective



of initiation, doctrine of Messiah of the New Aeon, and awesome consecutive couple of lectures the Angel and the Abyss. When I read "Initiation in the Aeon of the Child," I couldn't sleep at night, because of this sentence about the New Aeon Messiah V.V.V.V.V. - "The Messiah was not Aleister Crowley; despite all his genius, which is undeniable, he was merely the Scribe for a greater Adept." I know that this is TRUE! Daniel highlighted that importance and revealed the concealed mystery of the new and the NEXT Messiah of the Aeon of the Child. The world has changed! I call it, "before Gunther/after Gunther" and it occurred in 2009 e.v., namely, the moment his first book was published by Ibis Press. I've never heard that convincing explanation about "the Angel and the Abyss" by Daniel before. These doctrines gave us amazing impression and take us to the mystic vision of the Angel and the outermost of Abyss, Holy Mother Babalon and the City of the Pyramids under the Night of Pan.

Now, the Path is revealed, the Great Work is not so far beyond!

Frater Shiva X and Brother Daniel gave us the Truth. As far as I know, it was the first collaborative event of the AA and the OTO. Yes, the AA meets OTO at Tokyo. It was too hot summer among us.

The Way, the Truth and the Life, and "NEMO hath garden that he tendeth."

"Love is the law, love under will"

Frater Hieros Phoenix  
FSR, OTO Japan

that these two Orders can work more closely, but such requires honesty about their relationship.

A point often ignored is the dependency of one organization upon the other. Many mark that OTO is a necessary medium of promulgation and publication, but the necessity of AA is seldom discussed. Inasmuch as AA maintains the connection to the Secret Chiefs who guide this Aeon, it is critical to keep temporal organs on track. Further, AA is in the business of producing Masters of the Temple whose wisdom is lauded by Crowley as being critical to facilitating initiatory progress within individuals or in the Aeon at large. Without Masters, OTO or any other Order aligns its agenda with guesswork.

Many seem concerned about how exactly AA would influence the affairs of OTO. It does not seem to be through some type of organizational oversight, but rather through the Thelemic method of producing illuminated affective initiates. AA offers the individual a systematic means of total attainment. AA offers history and its subsidiaries these Masters. OTO can benefit from these types, and my OTO brethren could benefit their self and OTO by aspiring to a wholly Thelemic attainment.

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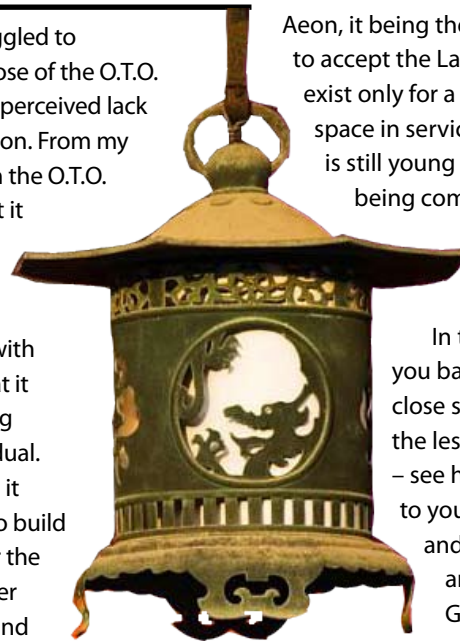


Aussie boys in Japan

## Temporal and Eternal

The events recently hosted by the Japan O.T.O., a series of lectures given by Frater Shiva X° of the O.T.O. and Daniel Gunther of the AA, was a historic event. It appears to be the first time that both organizations have openly worked together since the days of Frater Achad (Charles Stansfeld Jones) in the early part of the last century. However, it was not historic for this reason alone. For the first time two key persons of these organizations have clearly and publicly stated the aims and purposes of both and their relation to each other. While this information has been provided by Crowley in the Equinox III-1 ("Blue Equinox") and Magick Without Tears, amongst other places, and most recently by the current Frater Superior in the Equinox III-10, the relationship has not been well understood. This has led to attempts to make the O.T.O. into something that it is not intended to be by prescribing work from the AA and other magical systems to its degree system. In my observation of this in over two decades of membership, and being guilty of the same, it has always led to confusion and failure.

For many years I struggled to understand the purpose of the O.T.O. and the reason for its perceived lack of "magickal" instruction. From my first involvement with the O.T.O. it was clear to me that it was furthering the evolution of the human race, but I was always left with a gnawing feeling that it seemed to be ignoring the spiritual or individual. However I believed in it enough to carry on, to build a local body and offer the degree system to other Seekers of like mind and interest, and to rejoice when new Brothers and Sisters entered the ranks, many of which remain my closest friends. But parallel to this I sought out and joined other organizations to fulfill my need for magickal instruction, and while these did contribute somewhat to my spiritual evolution, their aims were not compatible with the purpose of the O.T.O. (and in one case even at odds with it). What came to



me, albeit slowly, was an understanding of the actual function of the O.T.O. and its relationship to the AA, this crowned by the Shiva and Gunther lectures.

To grossly oversimplify and paraphrase the lectures, the O.T.O. is concerned with that which is temporal and the outer initiation, the Natural World. The AA is concerned with that which is eternal and the inner initiation, the Spiritual World. Both are concerned with the evolution of the human race, but one with the individual's relationship with the environment, the other with the individual's relationship with the soul. Both promulgate evolution through the New Aeon and its Law of Thelema. The work of the AA is clearly provided for all aspirants in Book 4, Parts I-IV (Liber ABA) but that of the O.T.O. is more obscure, the majority of its teachings being found within the rituals of its degree system which are not publicly available. The lessons and information given in each O.T.O. degree teach the individual how best to interact with its circumstances and environment while leading to the comprehension of a certain Arcanum.

The AA is eternal, or sempiternal, and I am not qualified to speak further of it. The O.T.O. is not eternal, and as previously stated, temporal. Even though the roots of the O.T.O. are to be found in the old Aeon, it being the first of the old Orders to accept the Law of Thelema, it will exist only for a certain time in this space in service to the AA. The Aeon is still young and the O.T.O. far from being completely developed;

it will reach its full potential long after our current incarnation.

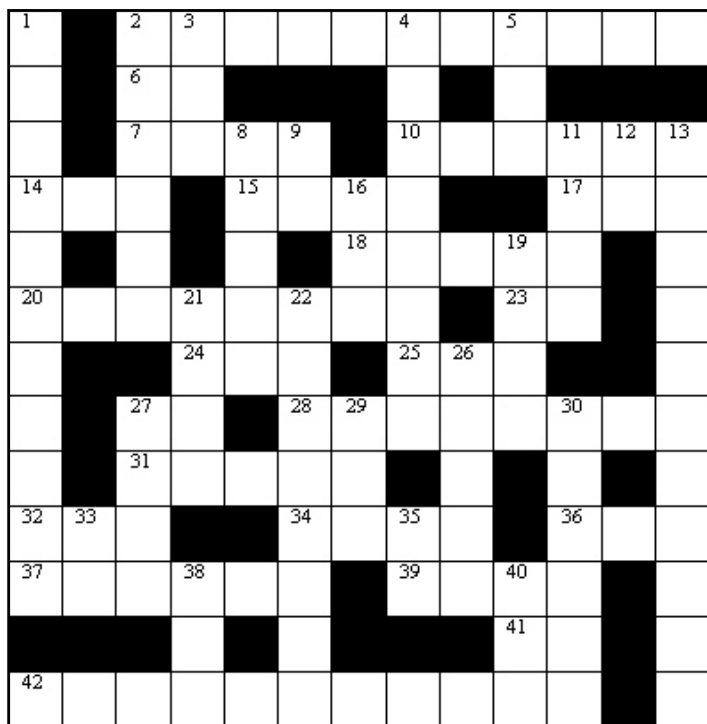
In the meantime I refer you back to your Initiators for close study of each degree and the lessons imparted therein – see how best to apply them to your own circumstances and environment. Attend and even perform in the Gnostic Mass as often as possible, for it is said that

within it are all the Mysteries of the O.T.O. Further, pay particular attention to the information and documents provided in the Equinox III-10 and other publications relating specifically to the O.T.O. And lastly, study constantly in the Book of the Law.

Frater RHK  
Most Wise Sovereign  
Sakura Chapter Rose Croix

# Gnossword

by Frater Nomad



## ACROSS

2. Star sign
6. Number of OTO liber 'An Open Letter...'
7. Relating to Hoor's eye
10. Standards of perfection
14. For each
15. Boy's name
17. Falsehood
18. Hops
20. French Gnostic Saint
23. "\_\_\_! an earthquake, and plague, and terror on the earth!" (Liber 65, I:57)
24. Ever (poetic)
25. Large bird
27. Senior (abbrev)
28. The Priest is thus, at the start of the Mass
31. Japanese city, with 'OTO' on the end
32. Creatures of Japanese folklore
34. Stop
36. Crowley poem
37. It's \_\_\_\_, it's me!
39. Hebrew letter for Pisces
41. I \_\_ that I am
42. The Word of Double Power

## DOWN

1. Divine influence
2. Sacred to Khephra
3. A veil of the negative
4. Solid build
5. Grass
8. Abundant
9. Musical note
11. Too
12. Number of A.:A.: liber 'The Lost

- Continent'
13. \_\_\_ sins
16. Injury from overuse (abbrev)
19. "I pluck Thee, O my God, like a purple \_\_\_ upon a sunny tree." (Liber 7, III:48)
21. Spooky
22. Nymph of Greek mythology
26. Maxim
27. Theatrical sketch
29. Nature of address (abbrev)
30. Hindu god of creation
33. Negative
35. Last quarter (abbrev)
38. Indeed
40. Average

She

She's glitter on the ocean,  
and whispering in the breeze,  
Fire in the noon-day sun,  
and silence in the trees.

She's darkness rolling eastward,  
the wake of Ra's great bark,  
Pregnant, glistening virgin,  
all life spawns from her ark.

She's god and beast united,  
love joining two in one,  
In her all power's given,  
to her my will is done.

I vainly offer kisses,  
her lips so far away,  
And yet I feel her in me  
each night and every day.

I drink to her aloofness  
And praise her when I see,  
Exquisite beauty flaunted  
in all femininity.

by Fr Nomad





## 第 77 の書

“これが強者の法なり。  
これが我らの法、  
そして世界の喜び”

法の書 第 2 章 21 節

“汝の意志することを行え、それが法の全てとなろう”

法の書 第 1 章 40 節

“汝は自らの意志を行う他には権利を持たぬ。それを行え。  
されば何者も拒絶する事はないであろう”

法の書 第 1 章 42-43 節

“すべての男、すべての女は星である”

法の書 第 1 章 3 節

人の他に神はなし

一. 人は己自身の法に従い生きる権利を有す

己の意志に従い生き、  
己の意志のままに働き、  
己の意志のままに遊び、  
己の意志のままに休息し、  
己が望む時と方法により死ぬ権利を有す

二. 人は己の欲するものを食す権利を有す

己の欲するものを飲み、  
己の欲する場所に住み、  
己の意志のままに地球上を移動する権利を有す

三. 人は己が意志することを考える権利を有す

己が意志することを話し、  
己が意志することを書き、  
己が意志することを描き、彫り、刻み、型取り、建て  
己が望む装いをする権利有り

四. 人は己の意志するままに愛する権利を有す

“汝の意志のままに、おまえが満たせるだけの意志なる愛を受け入れよ。何時でも、何処でも、そして誰とでも、汝の意志において”

法の書 第 1 章 51 節

五. 人はこれらの権利を侵害しようとする者を殺める権利を有す

“奴隷達は仕えるべし”

法の書 第 2 章 58 節

“愛は法なり。意志の下の愛こそが”

法の書 第 1 章 57 節



## Flavour

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It seems we in the Pacific and Asia are a little shy about putting thoughts to paper than in perhaps other parts of the world. I think there is a cultural aspect to this – in New Zealand and Japan at least we are less forthright than in other parts of the world (people that know us may think otherwise, but in general, I believe this is true – we are a little more understated. Australian's of course are a breed of their own!) Nevertheless, and while I am my own worst enemy, I can't encourage you enough to write about your experiences of Thelema – not regurgitated doctrine, but your own direct experience of working in this current.

I have been reading Lon Duquette's "Ask Baba Lon" – a compilation of answers he has written to email enquiries he has received. It's a light read, but with a handful of gems, such as his answer to "Do Banishing Rituals Really Work?" To which he replies, "I banish to set the stage for other magical operations. It gets me in the head space for further work. I view it just like ... I've learned to unzip my zipper before I take a piss. Sure there are other ways to get my John Thomas out, but unzipping the zipper is a tried-and-true preliminary to piss work."

Not too far into the book I started to think, "Hmmn, I wouldn't have answered the question that way." So, I started to think of my own answers before reading Lon's reply.

If anything, Lon's book has encouraged me to have my own writing voice, and I know that Lon would be very happy to hear it.

In Thelema, we are familiar with the celebration of "difference" and we should be wary of losing sight of that identity within the very bonds of the fraternity that surrounds Thelema. Another way of saying that is, "Please don't regurgitate other people's words."

When we speak from our own direct experience of God (however tenuous that may be), it acts to reaffirm that connection. And, invariably, others are able to relate more to that genuine expression. At worst they'll be forgiving.

As an OTO body, I believe it is our work to help roll out this new Aeon. Should we wait to be Gunthers before we dare to speak? I don't think so. We are each privy to inherent truths that can inspire others and with our own unique flavour. Not just the flavour of cultural difference, but the boundless expression of an unlimited God within each of us.

By being guided by our own inner voice, by allowing that expression to unfold within us and by allowing others to observe it, we do our own most powerful work in establishing Thelema in this world.

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