

Cheng Hsin Holland Camp 2021

Contemplation & Satsang Workshop



with **Peter Ralston**
2 - 8 July 2021 in Nijmegen (NL)

Contemplation & Satsang Workshop (CSW)

In this six day long workshop you will contemplate all day, primarily in diads with a partner in what we call CCEs (Contemplation and Communication Exercises).

This work will be interspersed with sittings with Ralston in lectures and dialogues about contemplation, consciousness, and enlightenment. You can also receive feedback in interviews with Ralston during periods of the day when needed.

Contemplation

The action of looking deeply into something for a long time. Setting out to become directly conscious of the truth.

Satsang

"Sat" = True; "Sang" = company, group. A gathering committed to discovering the Truth, usually with an enlightened teacher.

The Contemplation and Communication Exercise

This is a 40 minute period in which two people sit facing each other, with one person acting as a listening partner and the other as the contemplating and communicating partner. Every five minutes the roles are reversed and the listening partner becomes the contemplating and communicating partner, and the contemplating partner becomes the listening partner. This continues back and forth for 40 minutes.



The fundamental endeavour in a CCE is repeatedly setting out to directly experience who you are (other questions include: What is another? What is life? or What am I?). As a result of such immediate contemplation, in which you are opening up in this very moment to experience yourself directly, something will come up. By “come up” I mean that some thought, feeling,

idea, sensation, memory, or some sort of experience will fill the space of that openness. Or you will directly experience who you are.



Whatever comes up for you when you set out to directly experience yourself — no matter what it is — is communicated to your partner. You get it across to that person honestly, exactly as it is. The listening partner receives it without comment, without judgment, without any kind of feedback at all, subtle or gross. This gives you the freedom and space to communicate anything, without concern about its correctness, how good or bad it looks, or whether or not it will be judged.

When the communication has occurred, you once again set out to experience who you are — contemplating and then communicating what comes up as a result, repeating this process until your five minutes are up. At that time a bell will chime and you will be instructed to reverse roles; you will then become a non-judgmental, open, and silent listening partner for five minutes.



The Workshop Format

The workshops starts on Friday evening at 19.00 with an introduction to the workshop and CCE's. During the workshop each day begins at 6.00. Throughout the day you will do about ten CCEs and have three walking contemplations.

Two times a day you have a period of Satsang, meaning Being with the Truth; or Gathering for the Truth. During this period Reter Ralston will be doing talks, going over contemplation, telling stories, dialoguing and answering questions to help people in their efforts to have a breakthrough.

The meals will be light, but relatively frequent. Vegetarian meals are provided. You will be cared for so that your focus can be total.

During all periods outside the workshop space you will remain silent. Everything will be a contemplation. For example, meals are "eating contemplation" and bedtime is "sleeping contemplation." As a participant you are instructed to "hold your question" every minute of the entire day. Sleeping contemplation occurs every evening around 22:00.

In such an intense environment, where you have no concerns but to directly experience yourself, you will move through

a tremendous amount of "stuff." Mental, emotional, or physical barriers can come up. This is to be expected. Consider it part of the process and keep your intent on directly experiencing who you are no matter what comes up or gets in the way.

The purpose of this workshop is to have an enlightenment experience, which is to say, to directly and authentically experience the true nature of Being. Even if this doesn't occur at this time, however, your efforts can have a lasting effect on your life and wellbeing.

Check in time for the CSW is *Friday 2 July at 17.00* evening meal at 18.00

Check out time for the CSW is *Thursday 8 July at 17.00.*



Peter Ralston

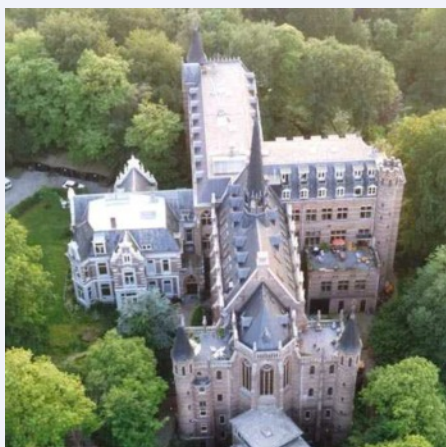
Peter Ralston is a highly trained and insightful facilitator, openly teaching what he has learned from decades of training, insight and direct experience. The main focus in his facilitation work is to uncover the truth of things, to break through assumptions and beliefs, and to assist others in having a direct, authentic, and experiential increase in Consciousness.

Cheng Hsin Holland Camp

This year's camp offers a program with first seven days in the Art of Effortless Power. See other brochure for more information. These are followed by a six day Contemplation & Satsang Workshop (CSW).

Venue

Our new venue is Groepsaccommodatie De Elegast located in an old boarding school on a woody hill near Nijmegen. The accommodation offers one person cubicle bedrooms with running water. Showers and toilets are on the corridors. You will receive excellent vegetarian meals.



Costs

These consist of both workshop costs and accommodation costs, including lodging and meals.

Workshop costs

- € 765 with € 195 deposit in by 15 May
- € 895 thereafter

Accommodation costs

- Full lodging / one person cubicle / meals
- € 420 (six days)

Registration and contact

Complete your registration by transferring the deposit of € 195 before the required deadline and sending in the registration form. Or send in the required information by email.

Accommodation costs need to be transferred in full by 15 June.

The remaining payment for the workshop must be paid in cash on arrival!

For questions on the CSW contact Peter Ralston at prcontact@aol.com.

For all questions on the Cheng Hsin Holland Camp contact:

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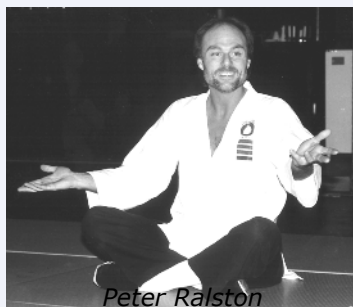
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