

# *Witchcraft final review*

## **What is Immanent?**

- a location on earth
- a divine presence in the touchable
- a divine presence that walks among us in everyday life

## **What is Transcendent?**

- not located in the everyday life
- it is heaven or paradise

## **The historical Witch Craze**

what is the Inquisition?

**Inquisition** is hunting heresy!!! = gays, witches, gypsies

- it started in the roman catholic church
- standard belief because the pope said so

**Heresy**= religious beliefs, going against a religion's laws or values

**Treason**= the nations rules, an action or statement that go against the rules of the state (selling nuclear information)

## **The middle ages**

- western european
- 1100 or 1200 to 1400
- time of the crusades
- started to see change in the western world

## **Renaissance**

- a return back to classical art and learning
- start getting silk
- people start doubting

## **Reformation**

- religious split
- Martin Luther (start of the protestant church)
- first book printed was the gütenburg bible
- the second book printed was the Maleficarum

## 1700

- scientific revelation (put a slight stop to witch hunt)
- we have provable hypothesis

**Old hags**= sacred knowledge

## Malleus book

Witches would sneak in the homes of men and steal their penis. They did this without waking anyone up. No one has ever heard or saw of it. They stored the penises in a birds nest at the top of a tree. One day the witch got caught by the priest and he said ‘‘ I want my penis back’’. She then took him to the top of the tree and then he took the biggest one.

Roman catholics did not kill, they tortured the witches. Some died from unbearable pain and suffering. The town authorities did the killing. If you were accused of being a witch you would most likely end up dead.

## The accused women

- poor
- single
- old
- women were more emotional therefore they could be misled easier by the devil

The last witch to be killed was in England in the early 1800. In England, it was illegal to say ‘‘ i'm a witch ‘‘ until after the second world war.

## Frogulent medium

- scams to get money
- illegal in Canada and England

## Religionist

- ways that people describe their faith

**Neo Pagan**: atheist or worship idols (dictionary description)

The new revived neo pagan (generic term) is more of a statement of your path. This is a new religion (less than 150 years old).

Modern neo-pagan: it's is a cluster. they want to revive or reconstruct pre-christian religion. Sub divisions exist in this religion (traditions)

Pagan in latin: *Paganus*...one who lives in the country (behind the times, not the cool kid)

**Wicca:** Wiccan. To bend reality or faith. No rules on what to believe in. Individualistic.

**Druids:** The priest of the British isles, northern France, Spain and Germany. They did not have religious teaching on paper, only word to mouth. They were wiped out by Romans in the 5th century. Modern: trying to rebuild eco-focused, relationship with the land, dreams, shamanic ancestors. These people were called Drews.

**Gerald Gardner:** founder of modern witchcraft. Raised by his nanny. He has asthma. Nudist, naturalist, interested in the occult. He died on a cruise.

**Doreen:** Ceremonies done naked with Gerald. National poet. She has a blue plaque. Wrote all the ritual words and ceremonies. She is the mother of wicca.

**Alexander Sanders:** he has gardnerian training. he is the king of the witches.

**Semiotics:** the study of signs and symbols ex. a stop sign is universal. It has one meaning.

**Metaphor:** All religious text written metaphorically.

### **Spells:**

1-intention

2-chose medium

3-symbols =

1. color of the candle (makes you either think of food or money)

OR Images...

1. name
2. zodiac symbol
3. date of birth
4. food=fork, knife, spoon. money= \$, pot of gold, euro, coin
5. arrows point A to B (money to the person)
6. dress with oil (olive oil preferably)
7. say words
8. chose when you light it... If you want something to increase (money)= 11:59 or full moon. If you want something to decrease(bad luck, homework, stress, illness)= 12:01 or the new moon
9. don't put the candle out
10. if you need to put it out, dont blow it out. Use another method.

### **Acronyms**

W I C C A: woman in constant creative action

W I T C H: women's international conspiracy from hell

### **Mary Daly**

- focused on female divinity (goddess)
- she says there is no place for women in christianity so she says women should create something new
- she is a professor of religious studies
- feminist scholar of religion
- she wrote about how radical the female figure is in catholicism

### **Marya Gimbutas**

- not a witch
  - she is an archeologist (she believes patterns have meanings)
  - she looked at poetry and drew conclusion on women from these.
- Creators of Dianick witchcraft

### **Morgan Mc Farland**

- alternative structure of social structure
- not a gender divided community
- feminist social communist
- elder grandmother

### **Mark Roberts**

- religious background

### **Dianick witchcraft**

- Dianick= Diana= Goddess= Supreme
- elevating feminine figure
- want to change social structure
- mostly till in usa

### **Z Budapest and Starhawk**

#### **Z Budapest**

- becomes a lesbian
- building a new religious system
- no gods, no interest in them
- only women but that is slowly changing
- had a store

#### **Starhawk**

- walked by Z's store and found it interesting
- they became friends and created a new system
- a mix between wicca and feminist worship

## **Satanism**

### **Neo- satanism**

- vague christianity
- left handed paths

1966- new religious movements (hippy movement)

#### **1)Solitary-**

- practice alone
- male
- 16-20
- young adult
- worship the literal devil
- you can only practice the spells if you steal the books
- they are alienated
- they want popularity

#### **2)Outlaw groups-**

- one charismatic person
- 20 or 21 driven by wish fulfilment
- want power and status
- they are involved in drugs
- they stay 4-5 years
- they break laws
- not a lot of people

#### **3)Neo-Satanic churches-**

- not law breakers
- no torture
- no killing
- dont believe in a literal satan
- they believe in the fallen angel because of not following the rules

## **Zoroastrians**

- 500 years old
- one god is good and the other one is bad
- the perfect universe is the balance between good and bad
- Satan has the same power as God

Moderns satanism comes out of christian roots

## Organisations

### 1) Church of Satan

-1966

-first church of satan

-founder= Anton Szandor Lavey

-he said Satan came to him in dream and said that people were wasting their love on other people that don't deserve it.

-He told him to create a new organisation

-The followers of the church of satan believe Satan in a metaphor and not literal

-in 1971 he wrote his first book ( he does not believe in what he wrote)

What satan stands for metaphorically in the church of satan=

-not wasting your time on people who don't deserve it

-be a leader, not a follower

-be a (me, myself and I) type of person

-Satan is the church's best friend because it keeps it in business

-don't waste your time doing something you don't want to do

-very self centred

why satan?

Satan was different in the "hippie" (peace and love) timeline

Popular people join the church of Satan for popularity and attention (Alice Cooper). They want attention from the media. It has nothing to do with their ideology or cosmologie

### 2) Temple of Set

-1971

-the founder started off in the church of satan (Michael Aquino Lilith) he was high up in the us army

-they view everything as literal

-they are very hierarchical

-they call themselves Setians

-small local groups (pillons)

-Neo satanic organisation at the beginning but they changed and dropped the word satan

-they believe in the Gods of evil

-they understand and focus on classical Hindi mythology (right and left handed paths)

-Merlin Manson is a member

Christianity, islam and Judaism = right handed paths

(abstinence from sex until marriage, don't push your boundaries)

Left handed paths= pushing to the limit in order to learn what is good and what is bad.

Xeper (ing) = to be God like (quality and knowledge)

### 3) Werewolf order

- late 1970's
- founder is Zeena Schrek
- she was a member of the temple of Set
- she is one of Anton's daughters
- her and her husband had a heavy metal band but drifted off to Xepering
- they use the tools of Xepering (psychological manipulation to get what they want)
- they study the nonverbal (me myself and I)

Why werewolf?

- they morph
- they transform to get what they want

They morph psychologically and physically to get what they want

ex. i'm gonna get the job. Ill study everything the boss likes. if he likes red skirts, ill buy a red skirt. They become the perfect candidate.

**Alchemy**= occult science, turning lead into gold. It is not about getting rich. It's about changing something basic to something valuable ( the secret of God). Alchemy is the key to the universe (common to rare) if we can figure out God's secret, we can be as powerful.

God is like a watch maker= he makes everything work and interlock with each other

### **Golem**

- an occult creature
- creature made from other people's dead body parts
- Frankenstein's monster is a Golem

### **Aleister Crowley**

- sporty guy
- he put the (k) in magic(k)

**H.O.G.D** = hermetic order of the golden dawn

- the rich are involved
- Alistor joined

**O.T.O**= order of the temple of the orient

**Thelma**= sex magic

### **Blavatsky**

- founder of Theosophical Society
- he ran away from home and joined the circus
- she becomes in contact with indian, china and the exotic orient culture
- she wrote two books
- her first book is called the secret doctrine
- her second book is called Isis unveiled
- she was given all of her information by a great ancestor up in space
- she claims our ancestors are aliens and settled in Atlantis after their planet was no longer a habitable place
- after Atlantis sinks, these ancestors go to Tibet in the mountains
- these ancestors have blond hair, blue eyes and fair skin
- blavatsky's sources were all fake but no one checked back then
- Adolf Hitler based himself on her books, he read both of them while he was in prison

### **Aryan**

- people from Persia (persians or Aryans)
- Blavatsky says a Aryan has blond hair, blue eyes and is fair skinned

Race is a social construction...

### **Apartheid means...**

- race laws
- separate the races
- the word comes from south Africa

3 classification of the race in South Africa...

- 1) The whites (canadians) They owned the land, the government
- 2) Colour (southeast asia, india, mixed race) They could own some land , they had access to college and University
- 3) Negro (dark skin, from Africa) They could not go everywhere, they could not go to college or university

Japan traded with the white south African government

### **Swastika:**

- it means different things to different cultures
- good luck in china
- magical protection
- for the nazis, it represented the sun wheel (masculinity, power)
- it was a type of rune

**Runes:**

- lettering system
- every letter has a magical occult meaning
- the Germans worked with Runes

**Leibensborn:**

- breeding program
- allowed men of the SS to have more than one wife to allow the repopulation of the Aryan race

**Black Propaganda:**

- creation of false propaganda
- people against Hitler had to hire Astrologists to figure out where he was going to attack next
- Nazies and the occult conspiracies
- used to misrepresent the enemy

**SS:**

- perfect Aryans
- black shirts
- storm troopers
- they attacked the SA

**The blood flag:**

- it is the crucifix of Hitler's religion
- this flag would contain the blood of his fallen friends. He would touch other flags with this one during ceremonies to give the other flags power.

**Anecdotal evidence:**

- what people say they have experienced

**Allopathic medication:**

- md's
- medicine
- chemio
- radiation

## **Altered states of consciousness (A.S.C):**

### 1) Phase

- focused
- paying attention to something
- it can be daydreaming (you need to be present or thinking of something in particular, ex.highway

hypnosis)

### 2) Shift

- what happens in every human's brain between one focused thing and another state of consciousness.
- between or out of gear (holding the clutch)
- it is a liminal state of consciousness

In everyday life, we pay most of our attention to the phase state of consciousness

## **Extraordinary human experience (E.H.E):**

- adrenaline
- maternal instinct (mother finding the strength to lift a car off her child)

## **Out of body experience (O.B.E):**

- astral traveling (Dr.Strange)
- clinical flatline survivors have these experiences more often

## **Near death experience (N.D.E)**

### **Mesmer**

- uses animal magnetism (taking a magnet and pulling blood towards an injury)
- he is a doctor
- he noticed that his practice was calming (putting magnets on his arms and flowing them across his patient's body
- he called this state of relaxation ‘mesmerizing’

### **De Pueysegeur**

- starts working with Mesmer
- with the right suggestion, certain people will do what he tells them to do without question

### **Braid**

- attends both Mesmer and De Pueysegeur in a process
- he concludes that this is hypnosis
- for hypnosis to work, the person needs to be willing

## **Possession**

- if you don't believe something, when you see that thing, you will ignore it (skunk story).
- you will remember nothing you did or of what happened to you
- you are a puppet, a vessel for the spirit
- your consciousness and self identity is asleep in the back of your head somewhere

The two people who can be possessed:

1. Willing
2. Unwilling

## **Willing possessions**

- a gift from God (for some religions)
- (glossolalia= speaking in tongue, language of the angels, it is a gift, the angels speak through the priests.)
- a good spirit who is using you to pass on explanations (the horse and the rider)
- mediums are in between our world and the world of our ancestors, they are being willingly possessed

What can possess you?

1. Incarnate
2. Discarnate
3. Nature

## **Incarnate**

The person possessing was once alive and had a body. Ex. Jesus

## **Discarnate**

The thing possessing you never had a body but still had a spirit. (ex. The devil, God, Angels that are sent by God.) This all depends on the cosmology.

## **Nature**

Possessed by the things that happen in nature. The natural forces of nature (a hurricane) is so powerful it can knock you out of consciousness and make you go temporarily crazy. There is no line of logic during this possession. You cannot even speak.

The people enslaved of Africa by the Dutch were not considered human. The bringing of the slaves to the Americas is called middle passage. The first stop was Cuba and the Hispaniola (Dominican Republic and Haiti) they will be sold here.

## **Santeria:**

- Yoruba
- origins from Cuba
- worships of the saints
- Miami has a lot of these people

**Voudon:**

- origins from Haiti
- a mix of na kongo, Ewe, Ibo
- french roman catholicism
- practiced in rural parts of Haiti
- very popular in southern Louisiana and Mississippi

**Zombies**

- Japan's Fugu Fish has neurotoxins(very dangerous)
- the poudre de Zombie