

### New Perspectives on the Paranormal

"Our goals are not to believe or disbelieve, nor to prove or disprove the paranormal. Our goal is to observe and understand phenomena without the burden of rationalization or explanation."

- Avoidance of Dogma. In order to keep our minds open to new ideas, we steer clear of absolute beliefs.
- Experience is relative to an individual and their culture. Since we all come from different backgrounds, we understand that our perceptions of consciousness and reality are diverse.
  Because of this, we strive to overcome our own personal bias.
  - Because our approach is not concerned with empirical results, we do not feel confined to methods and procedures that must logically align.
- No tolerance for intolerance. There is no place for hate in our research. We do not discriminate on any basis, and likewise will not work with those who do. All are welcome here, without judgement.

#### Phenomenological approach:

Since we are not concerned with empirical evidence, we may contradict ourselves. Rather than follow the Scientific Method, which aims to collect evidence that supports a specific theory, we instead try to gain understanding through asking progressively meaningful questions. Is paranormal phenomenon generated externally or internally?

#### Poltergeists

#### The Philip Experiment





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#### Thought Forms, Egregores, Tulpas, Servitors?

# How do we combat bias in paranormal investigation?

#### Avoid Dogma

"A person sure of everything, has no need to think of anything." Robert Anton Wilson.....probably.

#### Randomization



#### The Estes Method



## Can we create space for phenomenon to occur?

"When people are presented with real magical events, they somehow manage not to notice. If they are forced to notice something uncontrovertibly magical, they may become terrified, nauseated, and ill. The psychic censor shields us from intrusions of other realities."

Peter J. Carroll



#### Breaking out of routines

#### Creating an intentional setting





#### Mindfulness as a tool

#### Strengthen your intuition







## Thank you!

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