Tips for Starting a New Dowsing Group

Thank you for your interest in Canadian Society of Dowsers. We are so glad that you're wishing to begin a local dowsing group! Please see the information below as a place to get started:

Location:

Choose a location that is suitable for group lessons, has accessible parking, and is easy to find (for first time attendees).
Some dowsing groups choose to meet in each other's homes, but there are also many that find suitable public access locations for a fee.

*For example, your local group may rent space at a small community centre and collect $8 admission plus a materials’ fee of $5 (when needed) to help cover the cost.*

Admission & Costs:

Always charge an entrance fee for those attending. The suggested fee is $10/person, but you will decide on the rate that will cover:

- Cost associated with rental of the space being used
- Cost of supplies for lessons, event promotion, and/or cost of basic refreshments for attendees (if desired)
- Cost of covering travel fees for any guest speakers
- Cost of Group Membership to Canadian Society of Dowsers (currently $75/yr and gives you insurance coverage)
- Some groups will save or collect some money to sponsor one or more members to attend a Dowsing-related event or convention

*Some of our associate groups keep a record of their attendees by offering an annual membership in lieu of charging at the door for each session. Some groups chose a combination of membership fee plus a discounted admission fee at the door. Whichever method you choose, we recommend keeping track of basic attendee/membership statistics.*

Timing of your workshops:

We recommend that local groups arrange to meet once per month, or at least 10 times per year; however, your group will qualify for membership with CSD even if you only meet once each year.

A regular meeting timeframe is recommended based on your location availability and your schedule (as the host of your local group). You'll discover what works best for your group once you get a few meetings under your belt.

*For example, your local dowsing group might meet the first Monday evening of each month. There are some groups that specify every third Thursday, or alternate Sundays, etc.*
Many groups will meet for approximately 2 hours, some as long as 3 ½. Two hours is a simple block that can be scheduled in most people's week and is long enough to cover a single topic without people losing focus.

Topics:

Many groups will vary the dowsing-related topic each meeting. Examples include (but are not limited to):

- How to make basic L-rods using coat hangers
- How to program & use L-rods to find lost or buried items
- How to make a basic pendulum for dowsing using various materials (i.e. yarn & a washer)
- How to dowsse with a map, blueprints, etc. using a pendulum.
- Constructing & using dowsing charts for percentages, amounts, responses with greater variety than yes/no.

CSD is currently in the process of developing example lessons and curriculum for local dowsing groups to follow, if desired. If you and your dowsing group would like to help with this project, please let us know. We are always looking for volunteers to help us expand and meet the needs of our members and associate groups.

Sometimes a group may ask to have a guest speaker. Guest speakers are generally people who use some form of dowsing in their career, personal venture, or healing practice. For ideas, please check our professional dowsers registry on our website: http://canadiandowsers.org/professional-dowsers/

For example, your local group may invite a beekeeper to come and explain how she uses map overlays to dowsse her bees' condition and help heal & calm them from a distance. Another guest speaker idea may be an energy worker who uses dowsing and muscle testing to determine areas of the body or chakra system that are in need of attention. Maybe your group would be interested in hearing from a person who works with animals and uses dowsing as a form of communication for the purpose of determining the ideal way to heal or train (horses, dogs).

Resources:

Susan Collins’ “Dowsing Tips” http://www.dowser.ca/tip.html

There you go! We hope the above information is helpful for you and your new dowsing group. Should you have further enquiries, please contact us at any time via e-mail info@canadiandowsers.org.

Best Wishes!

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