



*Swedenborg Association of Australia*  
**SUNDAY 2pm, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2017**  
AT THE Dowsing Society of NSW  
**Community Hall, 44 Gladesville Road, Hunters Hill**  
*a small fee is charged for entry, refreshments served afterwards*



## **Swedenborg and Ways of Knowing**

### **Presented by Joe Vandermeer**

We will examine the unique experiences and skills of 18th century polymath, scientist and seer Emanuel Swedenborg. Like him, we journey from the unknown to the known as we emerge from apparent chaos into the light of understanding to discover order, love and use emerge on our horizon. Flowing underneath our desire to understand and manipulate our surroundings runs the primary question of whether this world is chaotic, destructive and uncaring towards our suffering, or if it is orderly, life-preserving and benevolent to us and our well-being?

To answer such ultimate questions we construct tools to expand the tiny windows of our bodily senses. But when we remember to also look inside we realise our mind is the greatest resource for making sense and bringing about change. Self-knowledge is the ultimate key to understand everything better. Our unconscious mind both helps and hinders us. While it provides intuition it also acts on our decisions as a silent unseen master, influencing our numerous perceptions and ways of experiencing as an uninvited intruder. How did Swedenborg's explore and use his mind and come up with such remarkable insights that he influenced so many famous people since? Was he a medium? Was he clairvoyant? How did he arrive at his discoveries, inventions and ideas? How did he gain insights ahead of his time?

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