

Satellite Séance

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Hail!
Truth.
Electromagnetism, the Medium and its Agents.

The Medium is susceptible of producing the following phenomena:—
Sight through opaque bodies
Sight at a distance
Sight into past and present events
Sight into the Future*

Whether we are consciously aware of it or not, we are often touched by bodies far removed from us in space and in scale. Some of these bodies carry messages about the weather.

Tonight we will séance a satellite. Through its mediumship we will conjure the weather.

The satellite we will séance is NOAA-19, a weather satellite launched in 2009, locked into a sun-synchronous orbit. NOAA-19 orbits every 101 minutes. Several times a day, it passes over London. As it crests the horizon its transmission agitates the ether. It touches our bodies as well as the bodies of nonhumans, and the elemental bodies of Sea and of Earth.

If we are to séance this satellite, we will need to amplify its transmission as it passes over.

We pass the amplifier between us. Take some time to feel its weight, to sense the relationship between your body and the satellite body. Adjust the angle to tune to the satellite. When you do, you may witness phenomena of lucidity, you may feel moon-struck.

As we amplify the message of the satellite-medium, we listen to its frequencies. There may be interference created by our mobile phones, laptops or other radiant bodies. The images we conjure will carry traces of these bodies, our location and movements.

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* Saint-Dominique, Countess de. 'Phenomena of Lucidity', Animal Magnetism (Mesmerism) and Artificial Somnambulism: Being a Complete and Practical Treatise on that Science and Its Application to Medical Purposes. Followed by Observations on the Affinity Existing Between Magnetism and Spiritualism Ancient and Modern. London: Tinsley Brothers, 1874

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