

*“Our immediate task is to effect within ourselves such a transformation as will bring about the birth of a new being, a new individual, for only then can we effect that global transformation that will result in a new world.”*

Joy Mills,

*From Inner to Outer Transformation:  
Lectures on The Voice of the Silence*



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#### The Virginia Hanson Collection

Also housed in the Krotona Library & Research Center is a collection of annotated books, correspondence, research materials, photo albums and lectures of distinguished theosophical teacher and author, Virginia Hanson (1898 – 1991).

Virginia was a close friend and colleague of Joy Mills and is best known for her incisive work on the Mahatma Letters, and her seminal book *Masters and Men*. With George Linton, she wrote *The Readers Guide to the Mahatma Letters to A.P. Sinnett*. In 1990, Virginia was awarded the Subba Row Medal in recognition of her contributions to Theosophical literature.

## Krotona Institute

### Library & Research Center

The library’s collection numbers nearly 8,000 titles and contains a wide range of materials including texts, journals, and study guides. Students and research scholars will find material on theosophy, philosophy, religion, meditation, death and dying, healing, yoga, advancements in science, and more.

### School of Theosophy

The Krotona School of Theosophy welcomes students from around the world. The curriculum maintains a balance between courses, workshops and seminars that focus on basic theosophy and those that deal with allied subjects such as comparative religion, meditation, yoga, science, and philosophy.

### Bookshop

The Bookshop carries a large inventory of theosophical books, as well as traditional and current works in consciousness studies, philosophy, religion, healing, psychology, vegetarian cooking, and related fields. Books may also be specially ordered.



## The Krotona Institute of Theosophy

### Announces

## The Joy Mills Collection

An extensive collection of lectures, essays, articles, photographs, correspondence, and over 500 books, annotated with marginal notes by distinguished theosophical scholar, Joy Mills.



**Joy Mills**

1920 – 2015

Respected and admired worldwide for her deep study and understanding of the Ageless Wisdom, Joy Mills was a beloved teacher and author.

*The Joy Mills Collection* is now available to scholars, writers, researchers and students. The collection is located in the Library of the Krotona Institute of Theosophy, Ojai, CA.

**This unique collection is made possible by a generous grant from the Kern Foundation.**

*Krotona is an international center inspired by a vision of the oneness of all life, and dedicated to the spiritual awakening of the human family.*

## About Joy Mills

During her long and remarkable life of service to the Theosophical Society, Joy was an inspiring and vigorous leader who served as president of the American Section; international vice-president; president of the Australian Section; and director of the Krotona School of Theosophy.

With the help of the Kern Foundation, Joy established Quest books, the publishing imprint of the Theosophical Society in America. In 2011, she was awarded the Subba Row Medal, which recognizes outstanding contributions to Theosophical literature and understanding.

Her books include *Reflections on an Ageless Wisdom: A Commentary on the Mahatma Letters to A.P. Sinnett*; *The One True Adventure: Theosophy and the Quest for Meaning*; and *One Hundred Years of Theosophy*. During her 75 years of membership in the Theosophical Society, Joy also wrote many articles on theosophy and related topics which frequently appeared in *The Theosophist* and *Quest* journals.



Krotona Library Reading Room

## Summary of the Joy Mills Collection

When Joy left her prodigious life's work to the Krotona Institute of Theosophy, a plan was devised to carefully preserve it so that others could benefit from her many years of study and scholarship.

A team of dedicated workers assembled Joy's lectures, articles, research papers, correspondence, photographs, teaching files and annotated books into a comprehensive and catalogued collection of Joy's theosophical work.

Joy's teaching files may be of special interest to scholars and researchers because they contain comprehensive reference materials, notes and class lectures. Her highly regarded work on *The Secret Doctrine* by H.P. Blavatsky and *The Mahatma Letters to A.P. Sinnett* are included. For those interested in these and other topics, Joy's teaching files are valuable resources.

## The Joy Mills Collection

### Partial List of Teaching Files

H.P. Blavatsky & the Buddhist Path  
Studies in the Secret Doctrine  
The Mahatma Letters  
Karma & Nirvana  
The Bodhisattva Way  
Pilgrimage of the Soul  
Discovering Feminine Values in Our Life  
From Inner to Outer Transformation  
Holy Grail & King Arthur  
Path to Human Freedom  
What Does It Mean To Be Human?  
Theosophy: Who Can Say What It is?

### Partial List of Research Files

Creation & Creative Forces  
Death & Dying  
Freewill & Necessity  
Krishnamurti  
The Myth of Man  
Mysticism  
Plato  
Root Races & Nations  
Symbolism  
Theosophy Study Courses  
Upanishads

The collection also includes Joy's personal letters, Theosophical Society correspondence, and hundreds of books with margin notes and underlined passages. Joy's annotations may be useful for gaining insight into how she incorporated research materials into her work.

## How to Arrange Access:

*The Joy Mills Collection* is available during library hours. For access, contact Krotona's executive vice president and resident head: residenthead@krotonainstitute.org.

**Library Hours:** Tuesday – Friday 10 AM – 5 PM;  
Saturday & Sunday 1 PM – 5 PM.



## About the Krotona Institute of Theosophy

A Theosophical Center in Ojai since 1924

Krotona is a residential community of Theosophical Society members. Situated in the majestic Ojai Valley on over 100 acres of scenic beauty, it includes the Krotona Library and Research Center, Quest Bookshop and School of Theosophy. The estate encompasses picturesque rolling hills, woodlands, abundant wildlife and spacious gardens for quiet reflection. We welcome inquirers and students from around the world.



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