

# The relevance of the Early Buddhist Texts for Modern times

Limited seats!  
Booking required

## A debate and evening with Stephen Batchelor and Venerable Brahmali



Stephen Batchelor



Ven. Brahmali

### This evening is a joint project by BSV and MIMG

The Melbourne Insight Meditation Group has organised and is hosting a week of events in Melbourne from 11- 16 February with Stephen and Martine Batchelor as part of their national tour.

For further information please visit:

[www.melbourneinsightmeditation.org](http://www.melbourneinsightmeditation.org)  
[bsv.net.au](http://bsv.net.au)

[www.stephenbatchelor.org](http://www.stephenbatchelor.org)

<http://dhammaloka.org.au/>

<http://santifm.org/santi/>



Friday evening, 14 February 2014, 7:00 pm- 9.00 at Augustine Centre

### Buddhism for the modern world

This is a truly special opportunity to meet Stephen Batchelor and Venerable Brahmali who will debate the relevance of the early Buddhist texts (i.e., the Pali Canon) for the modern world. How should we relate to this ancient yet esteemed religion? How do we balance tradition with modern interpretation? Is Buddhism compatible with science and the current zeitgeist? The debate is on!

Venerable Brahmali was ordained as Buddhist monk in 1996 with Ajahn Brahm. Co-author of forthcoming "The Authenticity of the Early Buddhist Texts", his special interest is in suttas and Pali.

Stephen Batchelor is a world-renowned Buddhist scholar, author and dharma teacher. He was a former monk in the Tibetan and Korean Zen traditions and is now a noted proponent of agnostic or secular Buddhism.

### Logistics

The hall will have chairs in a theatre setting but you can bring your own cushion. Please be seated by 6:50 pm for a 7:00pm start. This venue only holds a limited amount of people so we ask for your cooperation. Please advise us if you can't make it in order to allow others to take your spot.

### No cost –Donations welcome

Donations are welcome to cover the cost for hosting the event and proceeds go towards BSV's Forest Monastery project and the Santi Forest Monastery to support the nuns there.

### Booking is required!

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for info call Hart 0409 696 778 or  
email: [batchelormimg@gmail.com](mailto:batchelormimg@gmail.com)

### Venue

Augustine Centre, 2 Minona St,  
Hawthorn, VIC 3122. Parking is  
available in a number of side streets



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