# Alexander Technique

# **ITM Summer Workshop 2025** ROYAL AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY CIRENCESTER 8th – 12th August



# Interactive Teaching Method Summer Workshop 2025



The ITM Alexander Technique is a powerful tool for change, which can bring about lasting improvements in physical and mental performance. It can be used to enhance a person's co-ordination and comfort in everyday tasks, as well as more specialised activities, such as music, dance or sport.

From its very beginning, the ITM Alexander Technique has been used both to solve problems and to find simpler solutions than the ones you are already using. This workshop is designed to give participants inspirational guidance and instruction in how to apply the principles and ideas that make up Alexander's work for themselves.

By learning more about ourselves and the principles which govern all movement behaviour, we can make increasingly better use of our time and energy, freeing ourselves to reach our dreams.

> "Physically, mentally, and emotionally – studying the Alexander Technique with ITM continues to improve my quality of life."

> "Now I would never wish to return to the self-imposed limitations I lived with before."

The 2025 summer workshop will be led by a team of experienced senior ITM teachers.

During the workshop, over twenty-five hours of classes will be offered, consisting of large groups alternated with smaller more personal groups. We have found that class participation which combines the process of observing other students' lessons with discussion and asking questions, creates an ideal and balanced learning environment.



An added bonus for residential participants is the synergy created by spending time in a community of people dedicated to learning about Alexander and his work.



The workshop is open to all, whether you are completely new to the work, a returning student keen to learn more, or an Alexander Technique teacher or trainee who would like to accept the challenge of encountering/ interacting with new points of view. Whatever your previous experience, we would be delighted to have you join us.

"Thank you all for such an amazing few days in Cirencester... an overwhelming life-changing experience..."

"I have never laughed so much in my whole life."

"It is a delight to watch people grow, shine and truly surpass their previous sense of their own potential."

# Workshop Venue

# The workshop is held at the Royal

Agricultural University, which is set in the heart of the Cotswold countryside, on the outskirts of the historic town of Cirencester.

Established in 1845, the University has 25 acres of grounds, centred around an attractive Victorian Gothic building and the University chapel. The bar and lounge are situated inside an original 17th Century Tythe Barn.



Tennis and squash courts are available on campus and the Cotswold Leisure Centre, which has a swimming pool and other sports and exercise facilities, is a ten minute walk from the University.



Cirencester has a wide range of shops and restaurants. There are several golf courses nearby - as well as Britain's largest water park, where water sports are available. The Cotswolds is an area of outstanding natural beauty with many opportunities for walkers and cyclists.

The Royal Agricultural University is easily accessible by road. London, Bristol and Birmingham are all within one or two hours drive. Car parking on campus is free and plentiful. The nearest railway station is Kemble, a few miles from the university and on the line to London Paddington. Cirencester is also served by National Express coaches from London Victoria, many of which also call at Heathrow airport.

# Don Weed (1950 - 2022) & the ITM

Don Weed began his study of the Alexander Technique in 1971 with Marjorie Barstow in Lincoln, Nebraska. He also studied with Frank Pierce Jones and Margaret Goldie. He began his professional work as a teacher of the Alexander Technique in 1975.

Don developed a unique approach to teaching F.M. Alexander's work, based on his in-depth study of Alexander's writings, and his knowledge of anatomy and modern educational theories, which he presented through the lens of the most up-to-date developments in Success Education and personal development.



In 1993, Don established the Interactive Teaching Method for the purpose of training teachers in this unique approach to teaching. The ITM is now an international network of teachers, all trained to teach Alexander's work for the purposes of self-improvement and personal development.

### This Year's Workshop

This year's workshop will be led by three of the ITM's most experienced teachers, who worked alongside Don for many years.







Simon Gore

Their combined years of experience and diverse backgrounds promise a vibrant and exciting workshop.

	RESIDENTIAL Standard room	RESIDENTIAL En suite room	NON-RESIDENTIAL	
Workshop Fees	Price includes tuitio and refreshments	n, all meals	Price includes tuition, lunch and refreshments	
Early bird Full price	<b>£640</b> <b>£740</b> 4 nights	<b>£690</b> <b>£790</b> 4 nights	£560 £660	
<b>Short stays</b> 1-3 nights Early bird Full price	£190 £215	<b>£210</b> £235 per night	£165 £190 per day	

#### Accommodation

The accommodation is in single rooms on the university campus, a short walk from where the workshop takes place. Standard rooms have a wash basin and shared toilet and bathroom facilities. En suite rooms have their own shower and toilet. En suite twin rooms may be available on request at the same cost per person (based on two people sharing). Towels, bed linen and tea and coffee facilities are provided in all rooms. There is also a launderette and coffee shop on campus.

#### To book

Your place will be confirmed once you have completed the booking form and paid a £200 deposit, or the full balance (whichever is lower).

#### **Early bird bookings**

To take advantage of the early bird discount, we will need your completed booking form and deposit of £200 (or the full balance, whichever is lower) by Friday 2nd May; the balance of your payment is then required by **Friday 30th May.** 

#### **Full price bookings**

For all other bookings, we will need your full payment by Friday 20th June.

#### Late bookings

If you would like to book after this date, please get in touch and we will endeavour to accommodate you.

# Please book as soon as you can, places on the workshop are limited and fill rapidly.

**Online:** Go to **www.itmalexandertechnique.org/register-uk** We will contact you with payment instructions upon receipt of your electronic booking form.

**By mail:** please complete the booking form and return it to the address shown. If paying by cheque, please include this with your booking form.

**Booking from outside the UK:** we accept payment by £ sterling bank transfer or international bankers draft.

	Fri 8th Aug	Sat 9th Aug	Sun 10th Aug	Mon 11th Aug	Tue 12th Aug
Morning		9am–1pm	9am–1pm	9am–1pm	9am–1pm
Afternoon	Registration 5-6pm	3.30– 6.30pm	3.30– 6.30pm		
Evening	Welcome meal and class			6.30– 10.15pm	

The structure of this Summer Workshop allows us to cater to and design classes that are appropriate for beginners, returning Alexander Technique students, and teachers.

This flexibility in class structure and group composition also allows us to accommodate the various lengths of attendance by students, whether they stay for one or two days, or the whole workshop. We highly recommend attending the full workshop as there is a tremendous benefit to be gained by having the whole experience.

Over the years we have found that groups made up of students with different levels of experience is the very best way for every student to learn how to apply the work for themselves regardless of their previous standard of accomplishment or background.

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Online booking: www.itmalexandertechnique.org/register-uk

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# **Booking Form**

	Please write clearly								
	Name(s)								
	Please write your names as you would like them to appear on your name badge								
	Address								
	Postcode								
	Telephone								
	Email								
1	Accommodation required: Standard room En suite room Non-residential								
2	I/We would like to attend:								
	Summer Workshop Accommodation on nights of 8th - 11th Aug								
	or I/We would like to arrive on: (day/date) AM PM Evening (please circle)								
	Accommodation will be provided FROM the night of this date								
	and depart on: (day/date) AM PM Evening (please circle)								
	Accommodation will NOT be provided for the night of this date								
3	Do you have any special dietary needs?								
	Vegetarian Vegan Gluten Free Dairy Free								
4	Tell us a bit about your experience of the Alexander Technique.								
	If you've had ITM lessons, please let us know how many and with whom								
5	Date of birth if under 18								
6	Are there any conditions, medical or otherwise, that the teaching team need to be aware of?								
7	How did you find out about this workshop?								
8	<b>Deposit*</b> (£200 per person) I enclose a cheque for £ payable to <b>ITM</b>								
	or Please contact me with payment instructions to make a bank transfer for $\pounds$								
*	If you cancel before the booking deadline we reserve the right to retain your deposit.								
	If you cancel after the booking deadline we reserve the right to retain 100% of the full cost. If you are booking from outside the UK, please see details on the Booking Information page.								
	Please return this form and your deposit to: Zoe Challenor, ITM Summer Workshop,								
	2 Florence Road, Wylde Green, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5NG								
	or complete an electronic booking form at: www.itmalexandertechnique.org/register-uk								
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	right to decline, amend or cancel any booking for this workshop.								