

Maurice Barbanell

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Born and grew up in Whitechapel, East London. Son of Jewish immigrants, Manel and Rachel Barbanell. Married Sylvia Barbanell (née Abrahams) in 1932.

Following a successful commercial career became a dedicated worker for Spiritualism and the founder of *Psychic News*.

Editor, minister, journalist, author, lecturer, debater and as a trance medium, Maurice Barbanell was the pure channel for the philosophy and teachings from his guide known as Silver Birch.

Encouraged genuine mediums, warned over-working mediums, and denounced fraudulent mediums, thereby helping to uphold the standards and reputation of Spiritualism.