



21st annual

*Wise Women's
Festival*

September 15-17

&

Women's Sweat Lodge

Thursday ~ Sept. 14

at the

Johnson's Landing
Retreat Center

\$ 125

if registered before August 15

~~ includes FREE camping

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& JohnsonsLandingRetreat.bc.ca

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Womens Sweat Lodge

Set-up - Thursday 9-noon

Sweat 1 pm to 5:30 pm (at the latest) followed by a pot luck dinner.

Eating fruit or having a light breakfast that day is best.

Donation to Maggie, the instructor who is a pipe carrier and sun dancer and former lodge keeper for 9 years. Lives in the East Kootenays.

Accommodations and meals extra. Let us know if you plan to attend.

Best to arrive Wednesday evening if you plan to help with set up. The sweat lodge requires 4 layers of blankets and tarps.

Photo to the right shows the final layer being adjusted.



LAUREL GLENN

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I discovered a book on Palmistry at age 16 learned it ~ understanding it came easy. The more palms I read/interpreted the more I realized the hand's information was very accurate. It was fun and an easy way to make new friends. In my 20's while back-packing through Australia and New Zealand I read palms frequently but on return to Canada I stopped and took a real job. Three years ago I returned to Palmistry as passionate as ever and wrote a workbook for my class. My soul was longing for wholeness and I trusted my spiritual guidance.



Workshop #07 Saturday afternoon 3 hours

Palmistry 1- Beginning with the Hand

Introducing the fundamentals of Hand Reading starting with the hand shake, the hand elements, the fingers, thumb and their prints. Also the study of mounts and palmer skin ridge patterns.

Workshop #02 Sunday morning 3 hours

Palmistry - part 2

Interpretation of the three Major Lines, plus Line of Saturn, common Minor Lines, and basic markings. I provide a work book and teach using a power point presentation. I use photos of famous people's hands and palms to provide examples. I will be comparing palms for compatibility of some famous couples in both workshops.

CINDI TOMOCHKO

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Cindi certified as an art therapist in 1989. Currently she practices through Wind in the Willow Creative & Healing Arts Studio with adults and children as well as professional service providers. Her experience as a Dru yoga instructor, visual artist, Buddhist practitioner and provider of mental health services informs and supports this creative healing process.



Workshop #03 Saturday afternoon 3 hours

Healing is a Creative Act(ion)

To make art is to be creative. To be creative is to open to possibility and healing. Together with basic art materials such as paint, pastels and clay, a non-directive spontaneous approach and sharing based on the art-making process, we allow for and explore the stuff of life - thoughts, feelings, memories and dreams. Rendering visible the invisible, inviting inner and outer transformation.

Art experience is not required. Confidential sharing is respected.

Cindi will lead Dru Yoga session both mornings in the Group Room • Dru Yoga, rooted in ancient tradition with its yogic postures and philosophy, flows with gentle yet potent qi-gong like sequential movements enhanced with mindful breath awareness.

Workshop #04 Saturday evening 3 hours

Serpentine Dance of the Sacred Flame

With open or closed eyes, this dance journey brings eclectic tribal and earthy sounds to the body for energetic awakening. Play with a blend of middle eastern, lyrical, serpentine and African dances both guided and free with the accents of live musical sounds of the drum, flute and chimes. Dress colorfully and feel the power of your bare feet, swirling self and the inner fire that brings renewal, catharsis, sacred release and celebration. Playful, powerful.



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Jada was born and raised in New York and after two decades of world travel followed an intuitive calling to awaken her inner healer through a multicultural blend of native ways. She has been leading a diverse blend of healing yoga practices for over 16 years. A herbalist, artist, sacred dancer and often described as a 'rainbow serpent' when she performs African belly dance and Tribal Fire shows. Jada travelled the globe studying indigenous people, culture and expressive art forms, shamanic healing modalities and also the art of circus! A certified art educator with a bachelors of science in art, well versed in art and yoga therapy and also anthroposophical studies.

Workshop #05 Sunday afternoon 3 hours

Expressive Yoga

Delve into a fire flow of creative movement, sinuous hip and heart opening exploration. Movement inspired by chakra wisdom, intuitive flow and an inward journey to connect with yin and goddess energy within. Deeply healing and awakening for each energy center. Restore and recharge all systems of the body.

Jada used sacred language, hands-on healing touch and the guidance of earth mother, sisterhood, and her very own animal medicine oracle deck that brings forth our shadows to heal, nurture and enliven.

Workshop #06 & 07 Saturday & Sunday morning 3 hours

Plant and Herb Walk

Join us for an informative plant walk and talk as we discover the edible and medicinal plants of the bioregion. We'll talk botany, safe and ethical wildcrafting, plant ID and we'll learn to discern the medicinal plants of properties the way our ancestors did – by taste, smell and sight.

Note: Please dress appropriate for the weather and refrain from wearing strongly scented body products (including natural ones) as they interfere with our olfactory senses.



BARB DUTOT
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Barb has over 30 years, experience as a Traditional Herbalist and is intimately acquainted with the plant communities of forest, field, stream and meadow. She teaches classes, workshops and offers certificate programs at her school, *Wild Roots Herbal Learning Centre*. She also completed the Restorative Justice and Peacemaker Circle Keeper recently.

Workshop #08 Saturday morning 3 hours

The Science of Heart Intuition

Anxieties? Self-doubt? Come explore how your own heart has the remedies! We play with simple and powerful tools including a bio-feedback unit and techniques to calm the busy mind and to shift feelings. Scientific research from the HeartMath® Institute enables us to access clear thinking, as well as heart intuition! Through fun games, art, sound and breath, we learn to transform anxieties and doubts into peace and presence. We finish with a Heart meditation, offering healing heart-waves of Peace to the World.



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Dania has been a Certified HeartMath® Coach since 2012, as well as an Authorized Facilitator of Healing with the Arts. She is a Certified Dance Leader for the Dances of Universal Peace, drumming and leading the Dances since 2008 and has been a Registered Jin Shin Do Bodymind Acupressurist since 1989.

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Workshop #09 Sunday morning 3 hours

Sufi Sesheen - Dance and Sing with the Goddess!

A spiritual practice that integrates a Dance of Universal Peace followed by silent reflection. Then another Dance and another sit. This activates our Shakti, or our dynamic expression, dancing and singing as One. Stillness takes our awareness inside, into Presence. A time to bath in the vibrations of Divine Love and Joy.

Dania will lead the opening and the closing ceremonies with the Dances of Universal Peace, welcoming the Divine Feminine of many international spiritual cultures i.e. Shekinah (Hebrew), Sofia (Greek), Shaddai (Celtic), Tara (Buddhist), Radha (Vedic). She is a Certified Dance Leader of the DUP.



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Maryse is author of several books including the just released *Speaking to Yourself with Love: Transform Your Self-Talk*. She is a self-talk coach, communication practitioner and university communication instructor and a Psych-K facilitator. She works with clients to help them discover and stand by their own true authentic voices.



Workshop #10 Saturday morning 3 hours

Self-Talk for Kindness and Compassion

Are you critical in your self-talk? Is it hard for you to accept yourself as you are? We will explore tools to start speaking to ourselves as a true best friend would: with patience, acceptance, compassion, kindness, and levity. This highly interactive time will use lots of exercises so we can learn to develop a loving inner voice.

Workshop #11 Saturday evening 3 hours

Declutter Your Self-Talk

Learn to declutter your inner speech and get rid of old inner messages that no longer serve you. Learn exercises to develop a more peaceful and loving inner self. Our time will also include a guided meditation.

PATRICIA CLAPP
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Patricia studies Eden Energy Medicine with the founder, Donna Eden. Eden Energy Medicine combines traditional wisdom studies with cutting edge epigenetics, biophysics and quantum physics. Patricia teaches regular classes and maintains her lifelong learner status with workshops and exploration of subtle energy work. She maintains that "Energy is all there is!"



Workshop # 12 Saturday afternoon 3 hours

Tuning Your Biofield

Working with tuning forks is a remarkable experience. The founder of Biofield Tuning, Eileen McKusick, says "This is purely Math and Physics, no need for any woo-woo talents!" The combination of demonstration and lecture allows you to experience the basic Biofield Tuning Session. Memories are often stored in the aura....the human biofield.... And they can be healed with sound vibrations. Rest assured that whether you are the "client" on the table, or the "observer" sitting just outside the energy field, you will receive healing vibrations from this demonstration session.

Workshop # 13 Sunday afternoon 3 hours

Emotional Freedom Technique: Energy Medicine for Self Care

Society has done an amazing job of convincing us we 'should' be available to friends, family, and work situations on an almost full-time basis. We know, on an intuitive level, that we will become overwhelmed unless we learn to nourish ourSELF. Join me for an introduction to the basics of EFT, with a focus on Self Care. Once we clear trauma from our bodies and allow energy to flow anxiety and stress will leave us. Based on traditional Oriental knowledge, this workshop will combine our present awareness with how our bodies actually work.

ANGELE ORTEGA
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Angèle became a certified Graphologist in 1990. It did not take her long to realize she could not make a living doing this so she started Issues Magazine to promote herself, the Spring Festival of Awareness and people she knew who had a holistic approach to wellness. Since then she has learned many tools for understanding herself and the bigger picture called life.



Workshop #14 Saturday evening 3 hours

Workshop #15 Sunday afternoon 3 hours

Change your writing, Change your thinking

As the dot of ink from the pen creates letters that form words and sentences, the shape, slant and pressure tell me what is important in your life. Handwriting is the art of symbolism and represents your brain's programming. The circles and lines that make up certain letters have been modified by your brain and thus reflects your internal programming. An easy way to shift your thinking is to reverse the process and learn to write letters differently. Hand writing holds many clues to understanding ourselves and others.

Angèle offers a walk through her Cardboard Garden, sometime on Thursday or Friday if you come early, or Sunday after closing ceremonies if there is an interest. See for yourself how a team of 7 million earth worms make soil from cardboard thus enriching it. Our land was rocky with lots of grass and clay ~ now it grows garlic, potatoes, squash, strawberries, currants, saskatoons and a variety of veggies that provide delicious tasting meals that are nutrient dense.

THURSDAY

9 to noon is set-up time for covering the Lodge ~ Sweat from approx 1 - 5:30 pm
Simple fasting is best for the day ~ Potluck Dinner 6 pm

FRIDAY

On-site registration starts at noon ~ Dinner happens ~ 5:15 to 6:30
Get familiar with the land and buildings, walk the labyrinth, etc

Variety of Healers working most of the day and a bit during the weekend

7:30 pm - Dania will lead an interactive and inspiring ceremony in the Dome.

8:00 - Greeting from your hosts, introduction of instructors followed by a sharing circle.

Sat & Sunday



Saturday Schedule

SUNRISE

7-7:45

Group Room

CINDI TOMOCHKO
Dru Yoga

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Sunday Closing Ceremonies 4:50 to 5:10 with Dania

You could consider staying overnight and hiking Fry Creek Canyon on Monday