

Education for Sustainable Living Program &  
The Institute of Reverential Ecology present



## Creating a Sustainable Future An Intergenerational Forum on Ecology, Ethics, and Design

April 29th-May 1st, 2005 -- Zaca Lake Retreat Center

([www.zacalakeretreat.com](http://www.zacalakeretreat.com))

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# WELCOME PACKET

(additional items to be added)

## Conference Vision

At a time when national and international politics offer little hope, people around the world are using ecology as a new paradigm to transform their habitats into communities of promise and possibility. Encompassing every facet of life, from the psychological to the social and environmental, popular understanding of the deeper meaning of interdependence has grown into a worldwide grassroots movement of enormous implications for the future. Please join us in helping make this new paradigm come alive with a week-end of talks, discussions, walks and recreation at beautiful Zaca Lake.

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### **If you have questions please contact:**

Juliette Wigley: Sleeping Arrangements and Camping Gear

Soumil Mehta: Resolving Issues and Concerns

Katie Maynard: Lost and Found

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

The purpose of this space according to you is...

*“Strengthening and awakening my consciousness as an individual will increase my effectiveness as an activist and person”*

**“Show me ways to use my environmental interests and passion for progressive ideals into the community. I think it will break the barrier between caring and doing.”**

“I am attempting to form a non-profit organization that is based off of Sustained living, integration of education and artistic abilities, renewable living, physical health, and eastern philosophy integration. I believe this retreat will help me gain vision and help me on my journey to change the world.”

*“Experiencing last year’s retreat was incredible. The energy it gave me for the next part of my life helped me understand my decisions and mind. I will rejuvenate this again.”*

“I am just learning about the Education for Sustainable Living Program and am amazed by not only the effort of those involved, but also by the products of their work. I am physics major planning on pursuing physics in advancing the practices of sustainable living. I am sure that attaching this awesome weekend of lectures will be a source of great enlightenment to me.”

*“It will make me relax and allow me the space to be a friend with people and develop my friendly relationships with Santa Barbara, UCSB, and CSSC.”*

*“I hope to make life long connections with those involved in work bettering the environment. We all work so hard to protect, enhance, and preserve. I hope that these same people inspire me to continue this work throughout my journey through life.”*

“expand my perspectives on sustainability.”

*“The IRE retreats have been life-changing experiences for me. They have shaken my consciousness in deep ways and given voice to a deep yearning for ecological thriving and resurgence in our lives and our communities.*

*It has challenged and broken down the conventional notions of success as inadequate and dangerous to the health of the planet, our spirit (connection to the sentience), and corrosive to our inter-personal relationships.”*

**It gives me an opportunity to sit down and discuss or just be with the people I have been working with for the past two years, as well as amazing speakers.**

*I hope to learn and share a great deal about interpersonal relationships, explore the natural environment, listen to elders and those younger than me, experience new perspectives and modes of thought, contribute to a positive vibe that incorporates a learning and sharing environment. I hope to learn from the different viewpoints represented at the retreat in such a way that will allow me to be able to mentor, guide, encourage, be a listener, and provide support for the campus community.*

I think I will benefit greatly by interaction and learning from the various speakers at the retreat, especially Satish Kumar, Vandana Shiva and Mary Evelyn Tucker. I have heard so much of their work on environmentalism and human-nature relations that it will benefit greatly in my own work both in the community and my future career in community resource management.

I believe skill sharing and informative workshops on sustainability are where we need to focus our energy. There can be many things learned from each other, and brought out to communities to teach or to use in one's own life.

**"I think this retreat will reenergize my commitment towards CSSC and reconnecting me to what my goals towards the environment actually are. Also I will be making connections with community members to carry on projects for the next four years."**

*This retreat is about you and what you would like to take away from it with you, There will be many opportunities available to you here. Please choose the options that work best for you and respect the space of others. Please challenge yourselves to live sustainably while you are here and forever.*

*Sincerely,  
Retreat Coordinators*

## An Introduction to the Retreat Space:

### **Massage Space (Cabin #17, Dorm Living Room):**

We will have a massage table set up throughout the weekend. People will be available to give massages on the following times:

Friday 9:30-10:30pm

Saturday from 8:30-9:15am and 12:30-1:15pm

Sunday 7-8am

Please feel free to use this table at any point if you want to offer a massage to someone else, it is always open. Use these designated times economically as there are 150 people for 4 masseuse. Feel free to make use of the massage table at other times as well.

### **Reading Space (Lodge Living Room):**

If at any point in the weekend you would like to pull back and have some quiet time, please feel free to stop into this space and read a book. You can bring your own or read one that you find there. We will be supplying a variety of books and encourage you to bring any that you would like to share. Please put your name in any books that you bring if you want them back.

### **Art Space (Lodge Living Room):**

Feeling a creative rush? Head to our art corner where we will have all sorts of fun art scraps and bits of reusable items to play with. This space will be open throughout the weekend. Please be respectful of the space and keep it somewhat tidy.

### **Swimming:**

Zaca Lake is 46 feet at its deepest, with a mean depth of 31.4 feet, and purportedly has a "bottomless" underwater crevice, which once was found un-measurable with 1,000 feet of line and a weight. The weather should be nice and we will be right next to Zaca Lake. Feel free to take a dip throughout the day or swim over to breakfast from your campsite.

### **Hiking:**

The retreat site has 450 acres of wooded, mountainous land, and adjoins thousands of acres of the Los Padres National Forest. Zaca Lake offers thousands of vertical feet of hiking trail winding for miles around five peaks above the lake. Please check out the hiking map in this packet. If you want to hike off of these trails please check with Zaca Lake Retreat Center Staff so that you remain on their property.

### **Boating:**

One of the best opportunities at Zaca, will be to wake up early in the morning, boat out to the middle of the lake, and watch the sunrise over the mountains (one of my best memory from last year was doing this). Rowboats, Kayaks, and Sailboats will be available throughout the day.

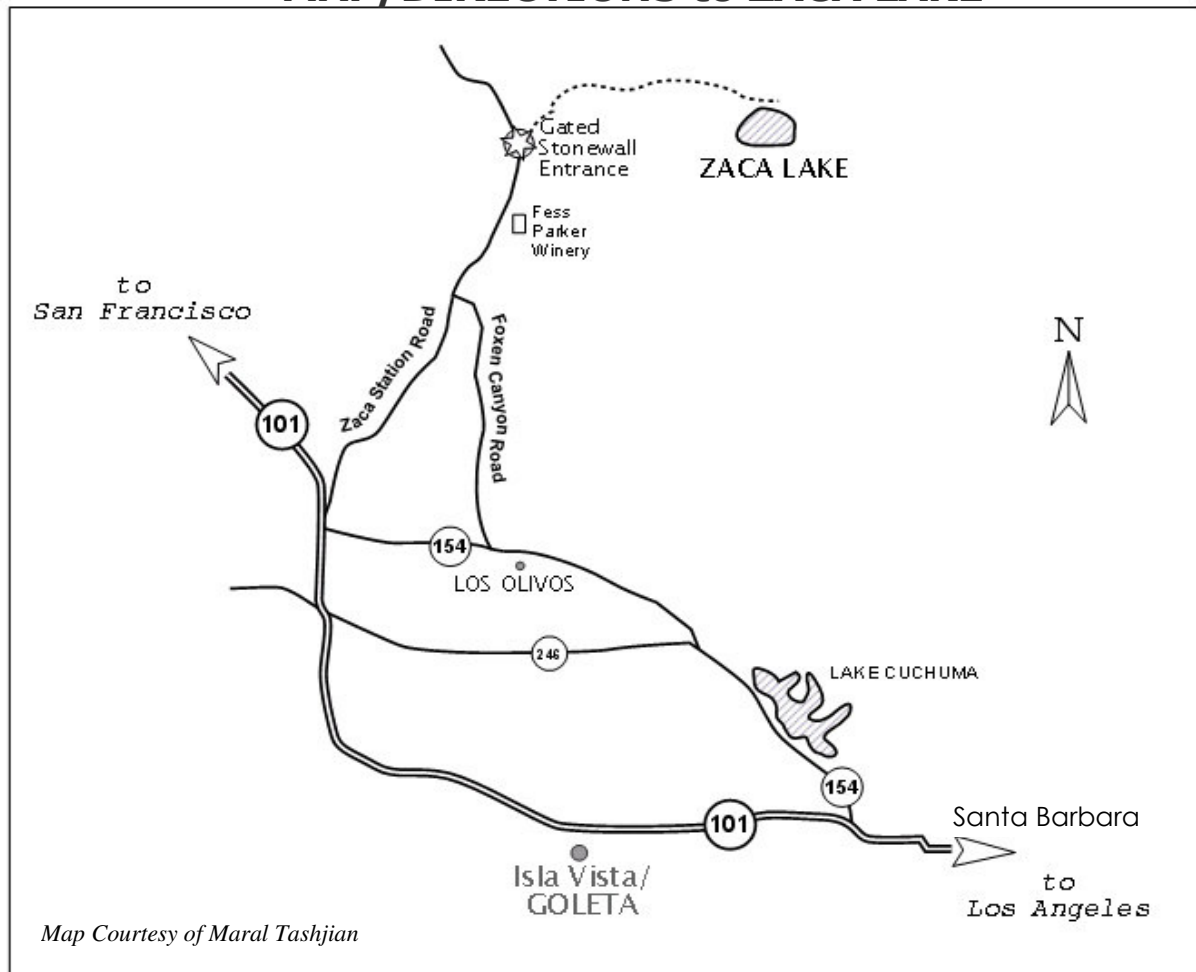
### **People:**

There are beautiful people all around you! Please set aside some time to meet someone that you don't know and make a friend. There is a space for contacts on the last page of this packet to help you stay in touch.

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## MAP/DIRECTIONS to ZACA LAKE



Map Courtesy of Maral Tashjian

### • FROM ISLA VISTA/GOLETA/SANTA BARBARA:

- 101 south
  - **exit** STATE ST, toward CA-154
  - **LEFT** onto STATE ST
  - **RIGHT** onto SAN MARCOS PASS RD/CA-154
  - continue on 154
  - **RIGHT** on FOXEN CANYON RD. (~4 mi)
  - **RIGHT** on ZACA STATION RD. (~3.5 mi)
  - Stonewall entrance on the **RIGHT**
- Gate Code: 4711, **Be sure to close it!**

### • FROM LOS ANGELES:

- 101 north
  - **exit** STATE ST, CA-154/Cuchuma Lake
  - **LEFT** onto STATE ST
  - **RIGHT** onto SAN MARCOS PASS RD/CA-154
  - continue on 154
  - **RIGHT** on FOXEN CANYON RD. (~4 mi)
  - **RIGHT** on ZACA STATION RD. (~3.5 mi)
  - Stonewall entrance on the **RIGHT**
- Gate Code 4711, **Be sure to close it!**

### • FROM San Francisco:

- 101 south
  - **exit** CA-154 toward LOS OLIVOS / CACHUMA LAKE / ZACA STATION RD.
  - **LEFT** onto Zaca Station Rd. (~8 mi)
  - Stonewall entrance on the **RIGHT**
- Gate Code 4711, **Be sure to close it!**

### \*\*\* **VERY IMPORTANT** \*\*\*

- (1) Be **VERY CAREFUL** of cows on the road.
- (2) Speed limit **MUST NOT EXCEED 20 mph.** before the lake & **5 mph** around the lake.
- (3) There are 5 streams you will drive through—drive **SLOWLY** with caution.
- (4) Please leave windows up, doors locked & no food in the car due to bears.

**Please Register at the Lodge** before finding your camping/cabin

## What to Bring:

- Insect Repellant
- Sun Block and a Hat
- Poison Oak Medicine
- Swimsuit (we are right on the lake and the temperature should be right)
- Flashlight!! (please let us know if you have any extra)
- Tent, Sleeping Bag, Pillow, and Blankets if you are not in a cabin (if you have extra please let us know, so that we can share it).
- Paper and Pens to record your thoughts and useful info from the workshops
- Drums and other instruments (there will be many chances to use them)
- Books (to share and read)
- Cushions!!! (for chairs and floors)
- Hiking Boots (if you have them)
- Long Pants for hiking (to avoid poison oak)
- Warm Clothes! (the weather will be beautiful and warm during the day, but it will get chilly at night)

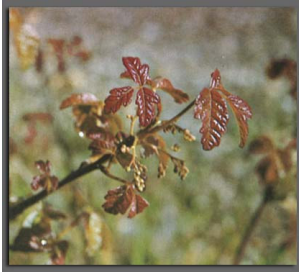
## Friendly reminders:

- Showers are sparse unless you are staying in a cabin
- There is no cell phone or internet access at the site
- Please label all of your tents, sleeping bags, blankets, and anything that you are lending out. There will be a lot of people and it is easy to lose things.
- If you do lose anything, ESLP at UCSB will hold on to it until June 1<sup>st</sup> (if we find it). Contact Katie Maynard at [connect@simplylive.org](mailto:connect@simplylive.org). If we don't have it, you can always check with the staff at Zaca Lake Retreat Center.
- There is a family of Rattlesnakes up by the Dome that is celebrating Beltane and recently had kids. The baby rattlesnakes are fairly well spread out at this point, preferring the sunny spots with high grass. Please wear hiking boots and be conscious of where you are walking. The babies are small and hard to spot.
- There are also bears on site. Please lock your car doors, keep windows rolled all the way up and please keep food in the lodge and away from cars and tents.
- The area between the gate and the Zaca Lake Retreat Center sign is owned by ranchers, please do not park or stop along this road.

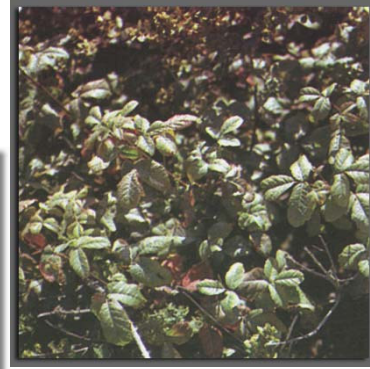
## Poison Oak:

There is a lot of Poison Oak on the grounds. Please be aware of its presence and wear long pants and boots when hiking. Also check out the local Mugwort (*Artemesia*). The oils in the Mugwort will close up your pores and help protect you against Poison Oak. The following two pages have pictures for reference (see the images of poison oak and mugwort on the following page)...





**Poison Oak:** Poison Oak is Out in full bloom at Zaca Lake. Please be aware of it and utilize mugwort to Protect yourself. It is green at this time of year



**Mugwort (Artemisia):**

The oils in this plant can be rubbed on your skin before going out on a hike to close your pores and protect you from Poison Oak; This can be found all around Zaca Lake



## April 29th- Friday

12:00-1:00pm Lunch, Lodge Dining Room

1:30-3:30pm Opening Plenary: "Sustaining Hope: Perspectives on the Future," Lakeside Pavilion

Frances Moore Lappe, Charlene Spretnak, and Ocean Robbins

3:30-6:00pm Free Time/Nature Walks/ Swimming and More

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3:30-4:30pm Student Meeting with the Foster Gamble and Kimberly Carter Documentary Crew, Barn house

The Foster Gamble and Kimberly Carter Film Crew is creating a documentary of this event and will need to meet with *all* of the students to talk about the interviews that they will be doing throughout the weekend. This is a beautiful chance to record our history.

4:30-6pm Capoeira, Meet at Lodge Porch  
Joanna Nobbe

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian cultural art form that integrates music, dance, martial arts, and the cultural legacy of slavery. It's not a fight; it's a "game" with a rich history and unique style of movement.

5:00-5:45pm Overcoming Structural Barriers, Lodge Porch  
Ed France

Between where we are now and our vision for the future lies the real bureaucratic world. Understand the different levels and kinds of organization, which is yours and how to work it.

6-7pm Dinner, Lodge Dining Room

7:30pm-9:30pm General Plenary: "Greening Sacred Space and Sacred Time: Cosmology, Ecology, and Spirituality," Lakeside Pavilion

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Satish Kumar, and Nandini Iyer

Opening with music by Abigail Horn

Abby Horn has been playing the Celtic harp for about six years and will be playing traditional Irish and Scottish tunes.

"The harp is a beautiful and amazing instrument and I hope its effect

on listeners is as meditative as the act of playing.” – Abby Horn

**9:30-10:30pm- Massage, Cabin #17, Dorm Living Room**

**9:30pm- late Star Gazing, Field by Barn house**  
**Joe Jordan**

Please walk past the gardens and enter the field where the grass is shorter.

**9:30pm- late West African Drum Circle Lodge Living Room**

Free your spirit, dance, drum, and celebrate the origins of music. Each evening there will be the opportunity to take part in this energizing movement of body and soul.

## April 30th – Saturday

**7-8:00am Qi Gong/Meditation group, Lodge Porch**  
**Tawn Kennedy**

Join us for morning qi gong and meditation! We will explore our relationship to the elements through healing movement united with breathing awareness. Let's find new ways to settle in to the spirit of this magical place. Give your brain a break as you relax and energize your body.

**8-9:00am Breakfast, Lodge Dining Room**

**8:30-9:15am Massage, Cabin #17, Dorm Living Room**

**9:30-11:30am Workshops (participants must choose one of four):**  
**Location TBA**

**Satish Kumar**

Satish Kumar is an experienced global neighbor. Born in India, he is currently the editor of Resurgence, a wonderful publication from England that was started in 1965 with the help of E. F. Schmacher and deals with all kinds of planetary alternatives. Satish is a former Jain monk, who at the instigation of Vinoba Bhave, Gandhi's chief disciple, walked all over the world to plea for the elimination of nuclear weapons. His latest book is You Are, Therefore I Am, published by Green Books (UK).

“Sometimes I come across a tree which seems like Buddha or Jesus: loving, compassionate, still, unambitious, enlightened, in eternal meditation, giving pleasure to a pilgrim, shade to a cow, berries to a bird, beauty to its surroundings, health to its neighbors, branches for the fire, leaves for the soil, asking nothing in return, in total harmony with the wind and the rain. How much can I learn from a tree? The tree is my church, the tree is my temple, the tree is my mantra, the tree is my poem and my prayer.”

## **Mary Evelyn Tucker**

Mary Evelyn Tucker is a professor of religion at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, where she teaches courses in world religions, Asian religions, religion and ecology, and religion and nature writers. She received her Ph.D. from Columbia University in the history of religions, specializing in Confucianism in Japan. She has published *Moral and Spiritual Cultivation in Japanese Neo-Confucianism* (SUNY, 1989). She co-edited *Worldviews and Ecology* (Orbis, 1994), *Buddhism and Ecology* (Harvard, 1997), *Confucianism and Ecology* (Harvard, 1998), and *Hinduism and Ecology* (Harvard, 2000). She also wrote *Worldly Wonder: Religions Enter Their Ecological Phase* (Open Court Press, 2003). She is currently co-editing with Tu Weiming two volumes on Confucian Spirituality which will be published by Crossroad in the series on World Spirituality. She and her husband, John Grim, have directed a series of ten conferences on World Religions and Ecology at the Harvard University Center for the Study of World Religions from 1996-1998. They are the series editors for the ten volumes that are being published from the conferences by the Center and Harvard University Press. They are also editors of a book series on Ecology and Justice from Orbis Press. In addition, they are now coordinating an ongoing Forum on Religion and Ecology (FORE). <http://environment.harvard.edu/religion>

Mary Evelyn has been a committee member of the Interfaith Partnership for the Environment at the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) since 1986 and is Vice President of the American Teilhard Association. She was a member of the International Earth Charter Drafting Committee from 1997-2000.

## **Charlene Spretnak**

Her most recent book is *The Resurgence of the Real: Body, Nature, and Place in a Postmodern World* (1997). She is also the author of *States of Grace: The Recovery of Meaning in the Postmodern Age* (1991), *The Spiritual Dimension of Green Politics* (1986), and editor of *The Politics of Women's Spirituality* (1982). Her pioneering work has contributed to the framing of the women's spirituality, ecofeminist, and Green politics movements. Charlene Spretnak received an M.A. (1981) in English from the University of California, Berkeley.

## **Vandana Shiva**

Vandana Shiva is a world-renowned environmental thinker and activist. A leader in the International Forum on Globalization, Shiva won the Alternative Nobel Peace Prize (The Right Livelihood Award) in 1993. As Director of the Research Foundation for Science, Technology and Natural Resource Policy, she is the author of many books including *Stolen Harvest*, *Biopiracy and Water Wars*. Before becoming an activist, Vandana Shiva was one of India's leading physicists. The Guardian has called her "One of the world's most prominent radical scientists," and The Progressive refers to her as "a burst of creative energy, an intellectual power."

**12:00-1:00pm Lunch Lodge Dining Room**

**12:30-1:15pm Massages, Cabin #17, Dorm Living Room**

## 1:30-3:30pm Workshops: Participants must choose one of three:

### **John Knott**

President and co-founder of the Noisette Company, LLC, John Knott leads the Noisette Project development team, which is collaborating in a public-private partnership with the City of North Charleston to restore 3,000 acres of the city's historic urban core. Knott has 36 years of experience in the urban redevelopment, historic preservation and community rehabilitation fields. Mr. Knott is a third generation builder and developer, with extensive experience in the holistic development of planned communities, sustainable development, Green Buildings, commercial offices, hotels, and renovation and restoration of historic properties and urban revitalization. He also specializes in ecologically sound and efficient energy design, and ranks among the nation's leading advocates of development that preserves, protects and enhances the natural environment. Recently, John served as CEO and Managing Director of the 1,206-acre Dewees Island, community near Charleston, South Carolina, an oceanfront island retreat dedicated to environmental preservation and recognized as one of the leading eco-friendly residential developments in the world. In 2001, Dewees won the Urban Land Institute's prestigious Award for Excellence. Recently, Knott served as an advisor for the University of Texas-Houston Health Sciences Center, helping guide the sustainable redevelopment of a three-million-plus square foot campus at that school. In 2004, Knott was named "Environmental Champion for 2004" by Interiors & Sources magazine, joining such high profile names as Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, scientist E.O. Wilson, and Interface, Inc. CEO Ray Anderson.

### **Michael Tobias**

Michael Tobias is an author whose works have appeared in some eighty countries. He is particularly focused upon issues pertaining to animal rights and biodiversity conservation. Among his current projects are several new books, both fiction and nonfiction, as well as two feature documentaries, "Mad Cowboy," which speaks of the tragedies of industrial agriculture, and "No Vacancy," a sequel to his 1994 book and film, World War III: Population and the Biosphere at the End of the Millennium.

"Spiritual seekers such as myself often embody the full paradox of being a person. While we aspire to be ecological, lyrical, and non-violent, devoted to the liberation of biodiversity worldwide, we have probably contributed to nearly every current biological and chemical crisis of our planet. This contradiction, however, could be used to transform our thinking, and activities, fueling hope -practical, spiritual, real-world hope, for positive change, a change that must begin with being honest with ourselves."

### **Elizabeth Sahtouris**

Dr. Elisabet Sahtouris is an evolution biologist, futurist, author, and consultant to organizations. In her unique approach, called "Living Systems Design," she applies the principles of biology and evolution to organizational development so that organizations may become more functional, healthy "living systems," with increased resilience, stability, and cooperation. She is one of a select group of scientists rethinking the classic, mechanistic view of the universe. Her particular goal is to create sustainable health and well-being for humanity within the larger living systems of Earth.

Her books include *EarthDance: Living Systems in Evolution* (iUniverse, 2000), *A Walk Through Time: From Stardust to Us* (John Wiley & Sons, 1998), and *Biology Revisioned*, co-authored with Willis Harman (North Atlantic Books, 1998). She has been invited to China by the Chinese National Science Association, organized Earth Celebration 2000 in Athens, Greece, and has been a United Nations consultant on indigenous peoples. She was a participant in the Humanity 3000 dialogues of the Foundation for the Future and in the Synthesis Dialogues with the Dalai Lama in Dharamsala. She consults with corporations and government organizations in Australia, Brazil, and the USA.

Dr. Sahtouris completed her postdoctoral work at the American Museum of Natural History in New York and taught at the University of Massachusetts and M.I.T. She was a science writer for the Horizon/Nova television series. She currently resides in California.

**3:30-6:00pm Free Time/Nature Walks/Swimming and more**

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**3:30-6:00pm Nutritional and Medicinal Plant Walk, Meet at Lodge Porch**

**Lexi Halligan**

This walk will show how to identify some nutritional and medicinal plants of Chumash Land, and how to integrate this knowledge into your daily life. Perspectives of bioregional grassroots herbalism and of Native American worldviews on the Land and human roles therein will be shared and interactively explored.

**3:30-6:00pm Natural Building Hike, Meet in the lodge dining room**

Ianto Evans will lead a 6mile hike to Visit Natural Buildings in the Area.

**3:30-6:00pm Forest Defenders of Humboldt County, Meet at Lakeside Pavilion**

The Forest Defenders are actively working with Humboldt County Forest Defense alongside NorthCoast Earth First! They are focusing to prevent Pacific Lumber Company/Maxxam Corp. from clearcutting all of its acreage here;

“Our main objectives are: 1. Stop cutting old-growth 2. Stop cutting on steep slopes 3. Stop clearcutting 4. Stop spraying herbicides.”

This would be a huge step backward from the sustainable logging the (original) owners of Pacific Lumber used to practice (until its takeover by Maxxam Corp. in 1985). In addition, they practice sustainability within our treesit of Fern Gully with solar panels to charge our headlamp, walkie-talkie, and cell phone batteries.

They will be speaking about the current tree-sitting movement (and might even teach us how to safely sleep in a tree).

**3:30-4:00pm Kayaking and Sailing Workshop, Meet at Lodge Dock**

**Ben Buckman**

Basic technique and safety for kayaking and/or sailing will be covered on the

beautiful Zaca Lake.

**4:15-5:00pm Energy Exercise Workshop**  
**Cricket Clarke**

**5:15-5:45pm Contact Improv Meet at Field by Barn**  
**Sarah Delcambre**

Contact Improv is a type of modern dance created between two people who are connected through the piece, with no prior choreography. Each person's body core works off the other's, to move fluidly and support each other while twisting and turning with the music. Please walk past the gardens and enter the field where the grass is shorter.

**6:00-7:00pm Dinner, Lodge Dining Room**

**7:30-9:30 General Plenary: "Greening Utopia: Living Systems, Social Ethics, and Natural Design," Lakeside Pavilion**  
John Knott, Janto Evans, Adam Wolpert

**9:30pm- late Beltane Celebration: Meet at Lakeside Pavilion**

At Beltane, we open to the God and Goddess of Youth. However old we are, Spring makes us feel young again, and at Beltane we jump over the fires of vitality and youth and allow that vitality to enliven and heal us. When young we might use this time as an opportunity to connect to our sensuality in a positive creative way, and when older the mating that we seek might well be one of the feminine and masculine sides of our nature. Integration of the male and female aspects of the Self has long been seen as one of the prime goals of spiritual and psychotherapeutic work, and Beltane represents the time when we can open to this work fully, allowing the natural union of polarities that occurs in nature at this time the opportunity to help us in our work - a work that is essentially alchemical.

The celebration will be participatory and organic. We will honor the beltane celebration, but not stay strict on the proper way to celebrate it, as there are a lot of people from different religious backgrounds. Please feel free to contribute your own creativity.

**Fire Dancing at Beltane Celebration:**  
**Erin Dibos**

Fire dancing takes the magic and mystery of fire and turns it into an art. It combines the nature's most intriguing element with the passion of our inner fire. Erin Dibos will be sharing her fire dancing at our Beltane Celebration.

**9:30pm- late, West African Drum Circle, Lodge Living Room**

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**9:30pm- late, Star Gazing, Field by Barn house**  
Joe Jordan

Please walk past the gardens and enter the field where the grass is shorter.

## May 1- Sunday

**7-8am Yoga and Breathing Meditation, Lodge Porch**  
Soumil Mehta

After awakening up to the unfolding energy of the sunrise. We will do sun salutations and other yoga asanas that dissolve and diffuse tired energy, unburden and harmonize our bodies. Get in touch with your inner calm and be ready to enjoy your Sunday. Mats or towels will be helpful.

**7-8am Massage, Cabin #17, Dorm Living Room**

**8-8:45am Breakfast, Lodge Dining Room**

**9-10:30am Workshops: Participants must choose one of four:**  
Location TBA

**Francis Moore Lappe**

Frances Moore Lappé is author or co-author of fourteen books, including the three-million-copy bestseller *Diet for a Small Planet*. The co-founder of two national organizations that focus on food and the roots of democracy, her most recent book is *You Have the Power: Choosing Courage in a Culture of Fear* (Tarcher/Penguin, 2004). Frances Moore Lappé's books have been used in a broad array of courses in hundreds of colleges and universities and in more than 50 countries. They have been translated into over a dozen languages.

Lappé has received 17 honorary doctorates from distinguished institutions, including the University of Michigan, Kenyon College, Allegheny College, and Lewis and Clark College.

In 1987 in Sweden, Lappé became the fourth American to receive the Right Livelihood Award, sometimes called the "Alternative Nobel," for her "vision and work healing our planet and uplifting humanity." In her 30s, Lappé received the annual *Mademoiselle* magazine award, honoring young American women leaders. In 2000, she was inducted into *Natural Health Magazine's* Hall of Fame. In 2003 she received the Rachel Carson Award from the National Nutritional Foods Association. Lappé's book awards include the World Hunger Media Award and the Henry George Award as well as, in 2003, the Nautilus Award for Hope's Edge in the category of social change from NAPRA, the network of alternative publishers and retailers. She was also chosen in 2003 by artist Robert Shetterly as one of 50 Americans to be part of his traveling portrait exhibition, *Americans Who Tell the Truth*.



## **Ocean Robbins**

At 16, Ocean Robbins was founder of Youth for Environmental Sanity (YES!), which he has directed for the better part of the years since. He is also co-author of Choices For Our Future: A Generation Rising For Life On Earth (published by the Book Publishing Company, September, 1994), and speaks widely, spreading a message of hope and inspiration to conferences, companies and organizations. Utne Reader recognized him as one of 30 "Young Visionaries" under 30, and both both Time and Audubon magazines chose him as being among the heroes of the new millennium.

## **Ianto Evans**

Ianto Evans, is an applied ecologist, landscape architect, inventor, and teacher with building experience on six continents. He has consulted with US AID, the World Bank, The Peace Corps, and other national governments. Ianto Evans receives his inspiration from extensive work with traditional cultures and from the observation of nature. Ianto is a landscape architect, applied ecologist, inventor, writer and teacher with building experience on six continents. Ianto encourages and empowers people to take charge of creating their own housing by using healthy, resource-efficient and regionally appropriate building materials and systems.

## **Adam Wolpert**

Adam Wolpert is a Sowing Circle Community member, painter, and Director of the Arts Program at OAEC. He received his BA in Fine Art at UC Santa Barbara, studied for two years in Florence, Italy, at the classical atelier, Studio Cecil-Graves, and received his MFA at UC San Diego. Adam has lectured and led painting workshops at many West Coast venues and currently teaches painting at New College of California, where he is developing a MFA program in Integrated Arts. Adam weaves an artistic element into many of the courses and events offered at OAEC, and he also co-directs our Intentional Communities Program.

## 11-1pm Closing Plenary: "Ethics and Science in the Age of Ecology," Lakeside Pavilion

Vandana Shiva, Elisabeth Sahtouris, and Michael Tobias

**1:15-1:45 Lunch, Lodge Dining Room**

**2-4pm Student Caucus, Meet at Lakeside Pavilion**

The Students (Highschool and College aged) will gather together to connect with each other and talk about how to maintain these connections. This will start with a game that some may remember from last year (cereals and legumes). After our opening game we will break into groups by year in school. Each group will discuss how they can support each other, what resources/support they could offer other years and what resources/support that the other years can give them. We will reconvene, report back and then if we have an extra time will break into small groups to share stories from our respective campaigns/projects.

## Performances and Workshops (TBA):

**Mother of Mukluk Seal Mask Dance, A new Storytelling Dance for an Old Eskimo Mask and Slideshow on "Gift Exchange of Dance" with Yupik Eskimos  
Patricia Bulitt**

Dancer/Interdisciplinary Artist and Dance Ethnographer is the first non native dancer many Alaskan Eskimo and Indian villagers had ever seen when she was invited to tour Alaska in 1977 by the Alaska State Council on the Arts. Patricia continued to tour as a visiting dancer and documenter of dance from 1977-2001, working very closely with the Traditional Council of Hooper Bay village for the exhibition she developed called, "Their Eyes Have Seen The Old Dances: Honoring Elder Dancers and Drummers," 1981-2001. Recipient of numerous grants and awards including a National Endowment for the Arts Choreography Fellowship, grantee of Alaskan Humanities Forum, California Arts Council, and Fellowship from UCLA Dance Department, her solo dances have been presented throughout US, Japan, Canada. The city of Berkeley awarded Ms Bulitt an Outstanding Woman Artist in the Community Award in 2003.

"I consider her dance highly accomplished, highly respectful of both native culture and the animals invoked. I know of no one else doing this kind of dance work, which ( in my own terms) extends beyond "art" as usually understood in Euro-American culture, and is cross cultural and "inter species" ( to borrow language from Deep Ecology) in its intention, which puts it on a very exciting experimental edge. I respect her vision, her knowledge, and her performance very much.-Gary Snyder, Writer, Poet