

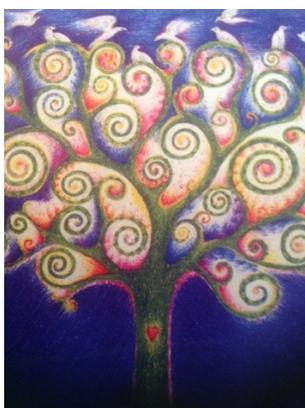
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SHAMANIC COURSES OPEN TO ALL

***FOUNDATION COURSE IN CELTIC & ANCESTRAL SHAMANISM:
LEVEL A TRAINING***

This course begins the Level A training. If you want to see the shape of the curriculum, go to:
<http://www.hallowquest.org.uk/resources/curriculumtraining.pdf>

9-10 March and 7-8 Sept 2019 WALKERS BETWEEN THE WORLDS Foundation Course is Celtic & Ancestral Shamanism led by John Matthews and Margot Harrison. This 29th two-part non-residential course teaches students to journey, heal, quest and arbitrate along the ancient paths of wisdom, gathering spirit allies. We ground in the ancient mysteries of our native shamanic tradition, gathering as a clan of the sacred earth, working with one of the most experienced teachers in Britain.



9-10 March, we begin with Part One, **THE TREE OF TRADITION: Walking Between Worlds**, concentrates on acquiring journey skills, learning the basics in a supportive and friendly environment.

7-8 September, we continue with Part Two, **SACRED COMPANIONS Deepening Our Spiritual Connection with Allies**, which builds upon the relationship with our spirits, and helps balance our journeying. We begin to explore the basic healing skills.

Held in North Moreton, Oxon. Take both weekends to qualify for Level B courses. Total fee £490. (£245 for each weekend). Food is £30 per weekend extra, including a varied lunch, tea, cake and biscuits or £10 for just tea and cake (bring your own lunch). Send a deposit of £150 payable to John Matthews to Jane May, Briarwood, Long Wittenham, Oxon OX14 4QW (01865 407680.) Held in North Moreton, Oxon.

NOTE: *Both weekends must be attended in order to continue onto Level B training.*

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL SHAMANIC PRACTITIONER TRAINING: LEVEL B

For those who've completed the Foundation Course.

Courses marked * are £20 cheaper to those who subscribe to FIOS

***28-31 March 2019 THRESHOLDS OF POWER AND HEALING** with Caitlín & Margot Harrison. This course teaches a full range of shamanic healing ways including plant-spirit healing, extraction of intrusions, embodiment of personal allies and includes the shamanic ceremony of *The Mare Mother's Dream-Dance*. This Level B course is an essential next component for shamanic practitioner training. This course is open to those who took the Walkers Between Worlds Foundation Course with Caitlín or John in past years. Anyone trained elsewhere who is interested, please write and enquire. Held at EarthSpirit's newly-built Little Earth centre, Compton, Somerset. £376 standard twin, £393 ensuite twin, Non-res

with meals £310. Deposit of £150 to Jane May, Briarwood, Long Wittenham, Oxon OX14 4QW (01865 407680) janedmay@btinternet.com.

13-16 June 2019 MIDWIFING THE SOUL with Caitlín Matthews & Ann Carrick. This course teaches the essential skills of shamanic soul healing, exploring the nature of the soul, soul-loss, soul retrieval, and how intrusions are removed for soul to return. We also explore how healing can be brought by the Reconsecration Ritual. Only for those who completed *Thresholds of Power*: we do not accept students trained elsewhere on this course. Held near Melbourne, Australia to Linda. Held at a residential venue near Melbourne. For more details and prices, contact **Registration:** Linda Henery, Tel: + 61 407 829615, linda.henery@optusnet.com.au



* 4-7 July 2019

**TENDING THE HEARTH
House & Space Clearing
in the Celtic Tradition**

Led by Cáit Branigan and Caitlín Matthews.

At Hawkwood College, Stroud, Glos.

The tradition of house-clearing in Ireland and Britain is ancient and still holds a strong place in the spiritual traditions of these lands. During the course of the weekend, using shamanic journey, meditation and practical exercises, we shall explore the essential elements of house-clearing, focusing on work with ley/dragon lines and underground streams; clearing of negative/blocked energies; communication with spirits and the 'hauntings' and the blessings of the home. Learn how to apply these skills from an experienced *bean feasa* who clears houses professionally. *This course is for those who can journey fluently: not suitable for beginners. Please contact Cáit if you are unsure about your eligibility on cbranigan9@gmail.com*

Cáit Branigan is an ordained Priestess Hierophant, a Bean Feasa (Shamanic Practitioner) and healer working within the Irish tradition. She teaches groups and conducts ceremonies, teaching internationally. She teaches regularly on the Walkers Between Worlds curriculum. Price: Single £440, Shared £380, Non-res £320, *Please send your non-returnable deposit of £90 payable to Hawkwood College, Painswick Old Rd., Stroud, Glos GL6 7QW (01453 759034) Enclose an SAE for map & confirmation*

***3-6 October 2019 MIDWIFING THE SOUL** with Caitlín & Dr. Angela Cotter. This course teaches the essential skills of shamanic soul healing, exploring the nature of the soul, soul-loss, soul retrieval, and how intrusions are removed for soul to return. We also explore how healing can be brought by the Reconsecration Ritual. Only for those who completed *Thresholds of Power*: we do not accept students trained elsewhere on this course. Held at EarthSpirit's newly-built Little Earth Centre, Compton, Somerset. £376 standard twin, £393 ensuite twin, Non-res with meals £310. Deposit of £150 to Jane May, Briarwood, Long Wittenham, Oxon OX14 4QW (01865 407680) janedmay@btinternet.com .

**ADVANCED LEVEL SHAMANIC PRACTITIONER TRAINING: LEVEL C
for those who've completed Intermediate Level B.**

Note: The Advanced Level courses run over a three year cycle and are not all available every year. When there are sufficient students to activate it, we open up Level D courses every five years or so, depending on numbers. The nature of this training takes into account that people will fall out or need to stop for a few years between courses. We don't require that you take the full curriculum without a break, as we know that life happens! This way you can work your way through the levels in order, in real, rather than in serial time.

There are no advanced courses this year, due to an out of phase break that occurred two years ago. They will be back with *Hearkening to the Horse's Mouth* in 2020.

MAGICAL AND MYTHIC COURSES & OTHER EVENTS

*These courses, events and signings are open to all who are on their spiritual path. FiOS MASTERCLASSES offer an opportunity to deepen spiritual practice with a living exemplar of a tradition. Courses marked * give £20 member's discount.*

11 March 2019 *The Elucidation of the Grail: Sacred Hospitality and the Wasteland*: a talk by Caitlín Matthews. The Grail legend as told in *The Elucidation* presents a world in which both faery and human sides of the Grail myth are related. This 13th century French poem uniquely reveals a world familiar to us from our own times where greed, corporate interest, and the exploitation of natural resources are rife. By considering sacred hospitality and the Wasteland, Caitlín Matthews will explore the deeper context of the Grail quest and human responsiveness to the spiritual vision it presents. Chaired by Julia Cleave, at a 7–8.30pm, The Royal Asiatic Society, 14 Stephenson Way, London NW1 2HD *Admission:* £8 or £5 Members of the Temenos Academy/Concessions. Full-time students with student ID card FREE. Bookings: temenosacademy@myfastmail.com or 01233 813663.



18 March 2019 *The House of the Grail*: a talk by John Matthews A number of medieval texts, beginning with the 12th century *Perceval or Le Conte del Graal* by Chretien de Troyes, describe a visit to a castle, chapel or temple dedicated to the Holy Grail. It is evident that simply to visit these places brings about a profound change in the visitor. In effect the places where the Grail is housed are chambers of initiation. In this talk John will look at several neglected texts, some previously untranslated, which offer detailed accounts of buildings constructed to house the Grail, and a possible source for a physical site which may have influenced the writers and architects who saw the Grail as a symbol of spiritual gnosis. Chaired by Professor Grevel Lindop At The Royal Asiatic Society, 14 Stephenson Way, London NW1 2HD *Admission* £8 or £5 Members of the Temenos Academy/Concessions. Full-time students with student ID card FREE. Bookings: temenosacademy@myfastmail.com, or 01233 813663.

1st June 2019 MAGICKAL WOMEN CONFERENCE Caitlín will be presenting, *Sounding the Silence: Embodying and Singing the Otherworld* as part of this overwhelmingly exciting conference, whose line-up looks like a list of our friends! Key note speakers are Dolores Ashcroft Nowicki and Christina Harrington, storyteller in residence Baya Salmon-Hawk. Venue: 65 Queen's Gate South Kensington London SW7 price £75, lunch and refreshments <https://ti.to/magickal-women-conference/2019>

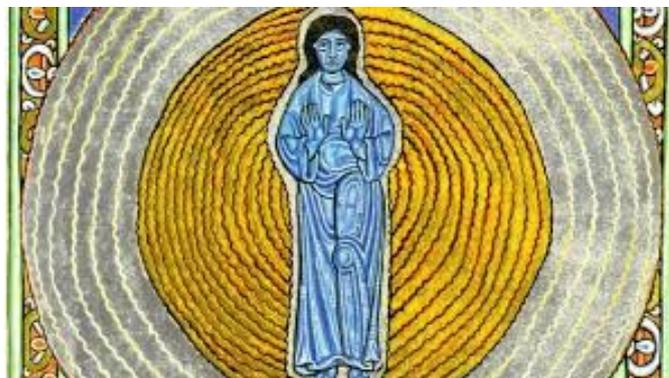
5-7 August 2019 PATHS TO THE GRAIL: RESTORING THE COURTS OF JOY with Caitlín.



The Grail is a quest for all living beings. Blending pre-Christian and medieval sources, this myth shares a familiar resonance with our own times: the rape, wars, exploitation, and dedication to regenerate the earth. Following a newly-translated Grail text, the *Elucidation*, we experience the regenerative Grail as a gift in which all participate. Through discussion, meditation, prayer, and simple ceremony, we will walk its paths, discovering timeless ways to embody its wisdom, enabling its healing to irrigate our world. This course is for anyone who is moved by the spiritual truths and wisdom within mythology. At Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre, 1046 Bristol Road, Birmingham B29 6LJ. Prices tbc. enquiries@woodbrooke.org.uk, 0121 472 5171.

***23-26 AUGUST 2019 CONNECTING HEAVEN TO EARTH:
THE CHANT OF HILDEGARD OF BINGEN with Dame Emma Kirkby & Caitlín Matthews**

The FÍOS Masterclass 2019



The visionary music of Benedictine abbess, Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179) explores the connecting of heaven to earth. Her sublime chant came to popular attention nearly 900 years later, notably with the album *A Feather on the Breath of God*, sung by Emma Kirkby with Gothic Voices in 1985. We are delighted to welcome Emma to this FÍOS Masterclass. She will guide us to sing and discover the beauty of Hildegard's unique chant, while Caitlín will help us explore Hildegard's life and work. All singers are very welcome. *Early Booking is recommended.*

Dame Emma Kirkby is one of the world's most renowned Early Music specialists, who has sung on over 100 recordings. Her career has seen her perform Renaissance and Baroque repertoire all over the world. She was appointed Dame Commander of the British Empire in the 2007 Queen's Birthday Honours. <http://www.emmakirkby.com>



Price: Single £470, Shared £410, Non-res £350. *Please send your non-returnable deposit of £120 payable to Hawkwood College, Painswick Old Rd., Stroud, Glos GL6 7QW (01453 759034) Enclose an SAE for map & confirmation.*

CAITLÍN IN THE USA IN SEPTEMBER

I will be in just two locations: at Hinsdale, MA. and in Nashville TN. I will be available for any brief meetings at both Boston Logan Airport and Nashville International Airport at either ends of this trip where I have to spend some time before flying onwards. I am particularly interested to make contact with members of the Fellowship of Isis on this trip, if possible.

6-8 September 2019 The NINEFOLD CONFERENCE Caitlín is giving the key-note address at this conference which is held at Camp Emerson, 212 Longview Avenue, Hinsdale, MA 01235, USA <http://www.ninefoldfestival.com/> More details will follow next issue.

14 September 2019 THE ANCESTRAL GIFT a public evening talk at the United Universalists, in Nashville organized by the OBOD grove Celli Sanctaidd O Gerridwen A Llew in Nashville. Contact grove@druidrynashville.org for more details.

11-12 October 2019 UK TAROT CONFERENCE The UK Tarot Conference returns in its Tower year. (note this is a Friday-Saturday) Caitlín will be presenting *Tarot Constellations*. Held at the Holiday In, Wrights Lane, London W8. Contact Kim Arnold for more details info@tarotconference.co.uk

6-8 December 2019 BRUTUS AND THE MYTH OF NEW TROY: After the Illiad and the Aeneid. With John & Caitlín, and special guest, Charles Newington.



On this our 34th Open Mystery School weekend, we explore the myth that sees all Britons as 'the remnant of Troy,' according to the Welsh poet, Taliesin. After Homer's account of the *Illiad* and the Fall of Troy, the story of Aeneas, last survivor of that doomed city, is recounted by Virgil in the *Aeneid*. Geoffrey of Monmouth and others continued the story by relating the adventures of Aeneas's descendant, Brutus who comes to Britain, challenging the giants who are the land's guardians, and founding Troynovant, or London. Following Brutus from his founding footstep at Totnes, to the parade of the giants Gog and Magog at the Lord Mayor's Show, we will explore the impact of this myth. We are delighted to welcome artist Charles Newington who will speak about his own involvement with the Brutus legend, and introduce us to the making of contemporary chalk hill figures. Together we will enact

the *Masque of Brutus*, helping to recreate the giants, as well as following the myth of Troy to its very native conclusion.

BOOKING: Single £340, Shared £300, Non-Res £260. Please send your non-returnable deposit of £120 to Hawkwood College, Painswick Old Rd, Stroud, Glos GL6 7QW (01453 759034) info@hawkwoodcollege.co.uk. Enclose SAE for map & confirmation.

Charles Newington is an acclaimed artist. He is the creator of the Folkstone White Horse, a chalk hill figure. Charles was Artist Recorder for ARC at the gathering the world's religious leaders at Windsor Castle in 2009. His recreation of the now-lost Gogmagog and Brutus figures at Plymouth Ho is currently under consideration. Charles' art is in collections worldwide