SHAMANIC COURSES OPEN TO ALL

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**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](http://www.hallowquest.org.uk/resources/curriculumtraining.pdf)

15-18 June 2017 **WALKERS BETWEEN WORLDS** with Caitlín Matthews in Melbourne, Australia. This foundation course in Celtic and Ancestral Shamanism is the first of a series in an on-going programme, designed to provide essential grounding in practical shamanic training. As experience and trust deepen, so the forms and contacts evolve. Understanding of shamanism assimilates through practice, prayer and life experience, for a sustained spiritual life is what underlies shamanic service. Homework will be given, and some supervision and support will be offered via skype, until this training continues next year. Since it is our spirits who are our teachers, there are no certificates at the end of this training: as William S. Lyon writes: ‘you never graduate from learning the art of shamanism.’ Caitlín will be returning in following years to continue this training.

**Venue** Eltham Gateway Conference Centre
1339 Main Road, Eltham Vic 3095. Tel: 03 94311666. **Registration:** Linda Henery, linda.henery@optusnet.com.au Tel: +61 407 829615

16 February -18 February 2018 **CELTIC VISIONS:** Seership, Omens and Divination from Nature with Caitlín Matthews. This residential course explores the realm of Celtic seership, divination and vision that was once the preserve of the druidic seers of the Celtic world who used subtle perception to reveal nature’s truth and the soul’s knowledge. Caitlín has made a special study of the oracular and sacred traditions, finding simple, practical ways by which these methods can illuminate the present moment. Participants will learn how to read the omens of the natural world and use traditional methods, including ‘the Three Illuminations’ - ancient Irish modes of oracular divination by incantation, resonance and shamanic incubation - and ‘the Augury of Brighid’ which was employed by the ancestral freers of Gaelic Scotland. There will be opportunities to give and receive oracles and auguries, by means of the *dha shealladh* or 'the two seeings' and by other traditional methods. **The course is open to all.**

Held at Dunderry Park. Starts at 19:00 and finishes at 16:00 Fee, with meals and board included: €290. Early Bird (Book by August 31 2017): €270. Email the organisers Ger Moane, Cait Brannigan, Eilis Stanley at: caitlinmatthewsireland@gmail.com for more infor. www.facebook.com/events/690529777814118/

**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*

13-16 July 2017 **TENDING THE HEARTH:** CELTIC METHODS OF HOUSE-CLEARING

Cait Brannigan 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.
Led by Cáit Branigan and Caitlín Matthews. Many homes are affected by intrusive energies, environmental residues or unresolved ancestral issues, which impact upon our health. The skill to bring healing to the hearth is taught by experienced practitioner, Cáit Branigan, who has been professionally healing land and homes around Ireland for 20 years. Using shamanic journeying, meditation and hands-on practice, we will explore the core elements of house-clearing, learning to deal with dragon lines, underground streams, clearing of blocked energies and hauntings, to bring blessing to the home. Participants should have sources of strong inner guidance for this course. Bring dowsing rods and pendulum.

Single £405, Shared £345 Non-res, £285 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 September 2017 MIDWIFING THE SOUL with Caitlín Matthews & Angela Cotter* This residential course teaches shamanic methods of soul-retrieval, extraction of spiritual intrusions and practical ways to guard the three souls. We will explore the Celtic concept of the soul and its re-enchantment, through the profound medium of soul-singing. Considerable pair-work is involved Take Thresholds of Power first. At EarthSpirit, Somerton, Somerset, Camp/Caravan: £353, Standard: £370, En Suite: £388. Special Diets: +£23 Single Occupancy of double rooms +£43. Send a £150 non-returnable deposit payable to Caitlín Matthews 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 time, rather than in serial time.

**12-15 November 2017 VOYAGES OF THE SOUL: SHAMANIC WISDOM OF DEATH** with Caitlín Matthews & Angela Cotter. This course explores the shamanic wisdom of death; the help that can be brought to the dying; the healing available around bereavement, hauntings, unfinished business and ancestral bequests. We will find allies, rituals and passports to our own living and dying, exploring how we pass through death’s labyrinth to emerge as living souls. We will learn how to make soul-houses for our kindred. The Soul Friends Moon Boat Ritual offers initiation to all participants so that they may be consecrated as an Anam-Cara or Soul Friend, a soul-midwife to the dying, wherever that service is required. *Unsuitable for the recently bereaved.* At EarthSpirit, Somerton, Somerset, Camp/Caravan £363, Standard £380, En Suite £398. Send a £150 non-returnable deposit payable to Caitlín Matthews to Jane May, Briarwood, Long Wittenham, Oxon OX14 4QW (01865 407680) janedmay@btinternet.com

**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.**

**20 JUNE 2017 WINTER WORKSHOPS AT THE TAROT GUILD, MELBOURNE, Australia.**

These two divination workshops by Caitlín are part of her only visit to Australia this year.

1. **LENORMAND AS PROPHECY: Reading for Countries and Institutions.** In a fast-changing world, we have all noticed how our Grand Tableau reading is speeding up. This is nowhere more evident than in the way world-events shape our lives. In this session, Caitlín will be looking at how Lenormand can become a prophetic oracle when reading on events of national or world importance, for communities rather than
just individuals. Bring your favourite Lenormand, and one or two topics which concern a group, collective, institution or country. 10.00 am – 12.30 pm. Cost TGA Member $85 Non Member $95

The same day Caitlín will offer the following:

**2. READING THE MARSEILLE TAROT: Skills from Previous Centuries.** Establishing or interpreting meaning is always a challenge when turning from illustrated minor arcana to tarots which show only pips. Ahead of her new book, *Untold Tarot: The Lost Art of Reading Ancient Tarots*, Caitlín leads a session on how we can read pip tarots, looking at a couple of methods. Bring a traditional pip tarot such as the Tarot de Marseille, Visconti etc. 2.00pm – 4.30pm. Cost TGA Member $85 Non Member $95. Venue to be advised. Contact Linda Henery, linda.henery@optusnet.com.au Tel: +61 407 829 615

**24 June 2017 ANCIENT MYSTERIES: LIVING MYTH: Celebrating Roman Religion**

with Dr. Kresimir Vukovic, John and Caitlín Matthews. Cicero boasted that ‘we Romans … outstrip every people and nation in our piety, sense of religious scruple and our awareness that everything is controlled by the power of the gods.’ Dr Kresimir Vukovic explores the religiosity of the people of the Roman Empire, who saw their relationship to the gods as reciprocal, embodied in the saying *do ut des* (I give so that you may give back). The day will explore the ancient practice of sacrifice as an acknowledgement of the interdependence of all life, as can be seen in a range of rituals, from everyday rites to the *Lares* (the ancestor spirits of home and family) to the grand sacrifices of the Roman state. Many of the religions practiced nowadays trace their roots to ancient times, from the sense of belonging to the earth and being in a reciprocal relationship with its spirits through the mythical imagery of Sun and Dawn down to depictions of mythical women as virgins and prostitutes (e.g. Virgin Mary and Mary Magdalene). Lares and genii: spirits of the hearth, earth, place and humans With talks, audience discussions, and conversations with Caitlín & John Matthews, this day explores the ancient Mysteries as living myth, through the practices of Roman Religion, and the wider world of myth and legend.

Held at The Harris Theatre, Oriel College, Oxford, 10am-5.30pm. BOOKING: To reserve a place, please contact Jane May, Briarwood, Long Wittenham, Oxford OX14 4QW (01865 407680), janedmay@btinternet.com. £65, or concessionary £55 includes sandwich lunch, tea & coffee. Cheques payable to Caitlín Matthews, or Paypal to tigerna9@aol.com, marking your payment ‘Ancient Mysteries’.
28-30 July 2017 GAIANEERING: THE ART OF HOPE AND WHOLENESS. John Matthews will be attending this three day summit held in Seattle, WA, will be considering subtle and spiritual realms, the life and intelligences of nature, our cousins the Sidhe, as well as human technologies and environments. It will include contributions from David Spangler, Freya Secrest, Lee Irwin, Deb Koff-Chapin and Michaela Small Wright, the founder of Perelandra.$225 or $200 each if you bring a friend. Email: lorianeducation@msn.com, phone 425 442 2349. www.Lorian.org/gaianeers/register


We think of the Sangreal as the mysterious medieval object of quest, but its origins stem from a remoter past, until recently lost. Two eminent Grail scholars offer a radical new interpretation, presenting startling evidence from early Christian times and before, tracing the Sangreal’s history from inception, through many streams - warrior monks, secret societies and treasure hunters - to reveal its true nature. With talks, discussions, meditation and ceremony, we celebrate the Sangreal myth for all seekers. As part of the weekend we also present:

26th August at 7.45-9.45pm David Elkington will give the inaugural Chair of Wisdom inaugural FÍOS lecture, open to the public, on the Jordanian Lead Codices. Entry fee on door for members of the public £16/£12 conc.

DAVID ELKINGTON is co-author of The Case for the Jordan Codices. He specializes in the field of acoustics, the rise of language & religion.

Single £305, Shared £265, Non-res £225/ 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.
Every country has its voices who speak for the spirit of the land. Britain and Ireland have their own tutelary goddess, appearing in many forms to inspire and guide: Cailleach, Queen of the Wood, Scotia, Britannia. Those poets most tuned to her voice address us prophetically from their communion with the land. Our exploration, including poetry of David Jones, Charles Williams and W.B.Yeats, transcends national and political divides, speaking from the deep land of our common heritage. We invite you to our magical 32nd Mystery School, where the way to the deep lands opens through myth, meditation, ritual and poetry. As usual, we will be performing a practical magical working that brings our themes together.

Ian Rees

Dwina Murphy Gibb

John & Caitlín

IAN REES is a psycho-spiritual psychotherapist who teaches the Annwn Foundation

DWINA MURPHY GIBB is an Irish poet, playwright and artist, the author of the Cormac novels. She is at work on a new poetry collection, and her late husband, Robin’s, biography.

Fees: Single £320, Shared £280, Non-res £240. 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.