

Elements of Magic: A 6 Week Class

September 26 - October 31, 2006

Tuesday evenings

The Class

Magic: changing consciousness at will. Our consciousness changes if we pay attention, take responsibility, build relationships, understand our interconnectedness with the world, the earth and with spirit. With the art of magic, we deepen our vision and focus our will, empowering ourselves to act in our own lives and in the world.

In this class we explore the practice of Magic, Witchcraft, and Goddess spirit by working with the Elements of Magic: Earth, Air, Fire, Water and Spirit. With these elements, we will explore ritual, creating magical space, working with energy, embodiment, trance, song, spellcraft and more.

Elements of Magic is for both the new seeker just exploring magic, and experienced practitioners who want to deepen their work. It is an opportunity to actively engage in participatory learning and experience - growing personal practice and working with others in a group.

Elements of Magic is a core class in the Reclaiming Tradition of Witchcraft (<http://www.reclaiming.org>), but you don't need to be part of Reclaiming to participate. Group experience happens in the framework of feminist consensus process. We hope to provide a fair and nurturing environment for all participants. While classes can be transformative for participants, they are not a substitute for professional therapy.

The Teachers

Zoe Soulspirals is a fierce witch with deep passion who is in love with the Reclaiming Tradition. She is devoted to getting to know herself - reading, singing, drumming, praying, plotting, talking and writing along the way. A research and networking whore, she weaves webs of connection between ideas, dreams and people. She has been known to conjure magic with shiny pieces of technology. Choosing action over despair, she weaves magic and revolution in her own life as well as with the Pagan Cluster. In addition to her work in the Ithaca Reclaiming Community, she has taught at a few Witchcamps around the country.

Elizabeth/FireDancer is a lover of dance, the ocean, ritual, magic and Mystery. Resisting labels, her spirituality is informed by many traditions and practices, particularly Reclaiming, Dances of Universal Peace, and Circlework. A first year mystery at Diana's Grove Mystery School, she has recently found her calling in hospice work.

Hawkeye Bolowolf is a queer witch with geeky tendencies. Hawkeye's interests include service, gender, sexuality, and messing with people. A long time spiritual seeker, Hawkeye has been involved with Reclaiming since early 2002 and is an apprentice in the Feri tradition.

The Details

Being There

Class is from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm on Tuesday evenings from September 26, through October 31. The location is a private home about 12 miles south of Ithaca. We hope to connect drivers with those who are car-free.

For continuity of the class, it is expected that participants will attend all sessions. Allergy sufferers should know there are cats on the premises.

This class is drug and alcohol free.

Registering

Space is limited. The class is \$60-\$120 sliding scale for the whole six weeks. Please send a minimum deposit of \$30 to hold your space by September 12, 2006.

We strive to make the class accessible to folks across economic barriers. If you're serious about the class but can't afford it, let us know and we'll try to work something out.

Preparing

We ask that all participants read the first six chapters of The Spiral Dance by Starhawk, as well as a few documents online. A small supply list will be provided to registrants.

Questions?

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