Writing Our Relationship with Trees
What This Can Teach Us About Ourselves &
Living Within The Sacred

with John Fox, PPM
Friday–Sunday, May 17–19, 2019 • Corralitos, CA (near Santa Cruz)

In our workaday world, we are no longer present to the natural world in any manner. We no longer see trees as other beings to commune with. We are not taught to make that connection, not encouraged to speak of trees this way.

~ Thomas Berry
on Our Broken Connection to the Natural World

In this retreat weekend we will explore and strengthen our relationship with trees. We will slow down to listen to what these sacred beings can teach us.

To make this journey, we will use poetry and poem-making as a way to express and describe this relationship with ourselves, one another and within the larger context of living as stewards of this planet, express it as part of the fabric of the cosmos.

Please bring a story (or poem) about a single tree or a forest, or an orchard, or a grove of trees, whatever is significant to you, that has made a difference to you in your life, somehow changed how you see yourself and the world around you, including the cosmos. This poem can be yours or be written by someone else. I invite you to also bring a photograph of a tree.

A Retreat for Writing Our Relationship with Trees
At a private residence amidst trees in the Santa Cruz Mountains (address given upon registration)
Friday: 6:00 – 8:30pm
Saturday: 10:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:30am – 12:30pm

Fee: $130 (with $30 down payment to hold your spot)
Registration limited to 14.
To register online: Click HERE or you may register via mail by using the form below.

For more information, please contact Magdalena Montagne:
(831) 252-5776 or magadarose@hughes.net

A few scholarships are available. You can inquire about this.
Lunch will be provided on Saturday; refreshment and snack during retreat.
If possible, please register by April 30th.

Registration Form

Reserve your place for Writing Our Relationship with Trees by mailing this registration form and a check for $130, (or $30 deposit—balance due upon arrival) payable to The Institute for Poetic Medicine, to Magdalena Montagne, PO Box 1745, Soquel, CA 95073.

Name__________________________________________________________

Address________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip___________________________________________________

Phone: work ( ) home ( ) E-mail__________________________________

I find in the forest spiritual mentors: legion and generous trees—
No better nor more humble hosts than these.
~ Cathey Capers