

# Seeds for the Future: Advanced Training for the Great Turning



## *A journey into Deep Time, Dreamtime, Lunar Time*

A 30 day residential intensive with  
**Joanna and Fran Macy**

**Tuesday 25th January to  
Friday 25th February, 2005**

The Cove, Denmark  
Western Australia.



A project of the Gaia Foundation (WA)

### **About the Facilitators**

Joanna Macy is the pioneering teacher of the Work that Reconnects, known worldwide in movements for peace, justice and ecological sanity. As an ecophilosopher and trainer she interweaves Buddhism, systems theory, and deep ecology. Building on 4 decades of activism, her ground breaking experiential work brings forth courage and community for the co-creating of a life sustaining society. Since her first workshops in Australia in 1985, when she created the Council of All Beings with John Seed, her collaboration with Australian activists has brought enduring mutual benefit. Joanna's books include *Coming Back to Life*, *World as Lover World as Self*, *Thinking Like a Mountain* (with John Seed), *Rilke's Book of Hours*, *Mutual Causality*, *Dharma and Development* and her memoirs *Widening Circles*.

Fran Macy, director of the Centre for Safe Energy, and co-founder of the US Institute for Deep Ecology, is a cross cultural organiser and trainer, leading the Work that Reconnects in Europe, Asia and North America. For eight years in India and Africa, he managed appropriate technology programs for the Peace Corps. A specialist in Russian culture and history, Fran works closely with environmental and anti-nuclear activists in the former Soviet Union. He helps them create strong citizen networks, to overcome the legacy of isolation, passivity and pollution left behind with a centralised, growth driven industrial system. In 2002, Fran received jointly with a leading Russian scientist-activist the Life-Long Achievement Award from the Nuclear Free Future fund for "decades of building bridges between the peace and environmental movements in Russia and America"

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## In a nutshell

The Work That Reconnects equips us to perceive and take part in the Great Turning, the epochal shift from the industrial growth society to a life-sustaining society. It is the great and necessary adventure of our era.

This first-ever thirty day event will be an island in time, where people experienced in the Work That Reconnects will deepen our response to the call of the Great Turning. As the global corporate economy spins ever more out of control, many of us, blessed by this work, are eager to harvest the insights and strengths that a sustained immersion in it can yield. The month-long span, removed from the duties and pressures of our daily lives, will let us open more fully to the power of our deep ecology: our living connections with all beings through space and time.

During our time together we will move through the full lunar cycle maintaining attention from full moon to full moon to permit us to enter Deep Time. In contrast to our society's addiction to speed and short-term thinking, we will inhabit vaster stretches of time, see our lives in wider context. Our ancient evolutionary journey will become more real to us, and future generations will become more real to us as well, helping us to understand what they need us to do now. This Deep Time work brings buoyancy and staying power for the long haul.

Australia is a perfect setting for this experience. Because of its unique blend of ancient landforms and the Dreamtime of aboriginal cultures, its distinctive history and

innovative activism, Joanna has called Australia "a seed pod for the future."

Our time together will be spent where the inlet meets the forest on the south coast of Western Australia. We will live in exquisitely handcrafted and beautifully furnished chalets, amongst ancient karri, tingle and jarrah forest. Free time will give us access to beaches, and other wonderful sites of Dreamtime significance. All accommodation and meal costs are included in the price. We will be fully catered for with fine vegetarian food of the highest quality.

A range of prices are offered to provide an opportunity for participants to best meet their financial situation.

**Cost:** \$2,900 (Australian) to \$4,200 (Australian). Please choose within this range. Transport costs to and from the venue are not included in the price.

**Date:** Tuesday 25th January to Friday 25th February, 2005  
The process begins from the moment you register. This is an advanced training. Prerequisites for Registration are available on the website at [gaia.iinet.net.au/seeds.html](http://gaia.iinet.net.au/seeds.html). If you don't have access to the Web please contact us at:

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*"You sent out beyond your recall,  
Go to the limits of your longing"*

Rainer Maria Rilke

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Full payment is \$2,900 to \$4,200 Australian by cheque or postal order made payable to "Seeds for the Future"  
Payment in full is required by 31st Aug 2004, A non refundable \$300Aus is required to secure your registration

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

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| 1. Full payment now                          | \$..... |
| 2. Three monthly instalments                 | \$..... |
| 3. Six monthly instalments                   | \$..... |
| 4. Total balance in full<br>by 31st Aug 2004 | \$..... |

### DECLARATION:

I, ..... have read and understood the prerequisites required for registration, and commit myself to fulfilling the prerequisites and paying tuition in full by 31st Aug 2004

Signed..... Date ....../..../20....