

An invitation to: **What Wants to Happen?**

Coming Home To Spirit

Rivendell Retreat Centre, Bowen Island,
British Columbia, Canada

Sunday April 3 - Thursday April 7, 2016

The New Edges Learning Community invites you to join us in British Columbia Canada for our 16th annual gathering. New Edges is dedicated to the evolution of our individual and collective consciousness, to Coming Home to Spirit in all we are and do in the world.

We believe our core spiritual essence is the foundation of life, the animator of our body and the world. Some might call this God; others Spirit, Pure Consciousness or True Nature. Our journey to know Spirit, reside in Spirit and hence speak and act from Spirit is a life's work - it is The Work if we choose it.

At this retreat we will step back from our familiar landscapes and shine a light upon ourselves and each other into the risky territory of this transformation. Coming home to Spirit allows us to return anew to this deep knowing. Doing this work together engages us in a community weaving, in the potential challenge of being seen and held in this place.

As we practise coming home to Spirit, we learn to respond to the conditions of our lives rather than reacting to past conditioning. And in exploring this state of wonder - inherent responsibilities begin to unfold at its edges. As we surrender to what is, we awaken Spirit with all the energy, imagination and courage we will ever need.

**Please join us for this dance with Spirit,
dancing each of us, dancing all of us.**

The Community

If you're interested in joining our community for this retreat, please contact Dan Petersen at danpetersen@open-focus.com or ph: 970-565-8099 or Susan Wright at susanjanetwright@gmail.com or ph: 604-563-7428. Or visit our website : <http://www.whatwantstohappen.org>

The Details

The retreat will be held at the Rivendell Retreat Centre on Bowen Island, British Columbia, Canada (rivendellretreat.org), approximately one hour from Vancouver International Airport. The retreat begins at 4pm on Sunday April 3 and will conclude at 12 noon on Thursday April 7- after which lunch will be served. There is a return ferry at 12.30pm for those that need to leave prior to lunch (BCFerries.com). We can arrange pick up and drop off from the ferry if you need it.

Registration

Please register by contacting Carol Mackinnon at carolmackinnon@gmail.com

Fees

\$875 USD or \$1175 CAD for the 4 day retreat, includes lodging and meals.

U.S. deposit checks of \$200 to Dan Petersen, 15600 Road J, Cortez, CO, USA 81321.

Canadian deposit cheques of \$225 to Susan Wright, 314-525 Wheelhouse Square, Vancouver, BC, Canada V5Z4L8.

A scholarship may be available if financial assistance is needed to attend the retreat. See website for details: whatwantstohappen.org/workshops-events.

ICF Continuing Education credits will apply.

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Evolution Wants to Happen

THE POTENTIAL

With very few exceptions, we are born of Spirit as our ground of being, with the capacity to be in charge of our own evolution.

THE PRINCIPLE

At the core of our physical body is a somatic center, a pool of stillness and joy. We contract around this center out of fear and doubt. Somatic and meditative practices build a body with centered presence and release conditioned habits of contraction that have been imprisoning our Spirit. This process gives us the freedom to live whole-heartedly from a center of essence and authenticity.

THE PROBLEM

If early life is not optimal for childhood development, full capacities for creatively responding to the normal problems of adolescent and adult life can be imprisoned.

THE PRACTICE

The practice of moving into our essential nature is possibly the single most important use of time and energy for the sake of fulfilling the call of evolution toward our unique expression of Spirit. This practice is one of transcending our childhood story as we remember it into a new story, a new translation that is more in line with our capacities as open, courageous, vulnerable and responsible adults.



THE PROCESS

Stepping into the unpredictable and unprecedented future from our essential spiritual nature requires continuous awakening, risking, centering, surrendering, and growing into an expanding spiral of development, over and over and over.

THE OUTCOME

In the end, any limitations accumulated during development turn out to be the entry points to a return to whole-heartedness in adulthood. This process eventually becomes a spiritual fulfillment leading to the wisdom to remain centered in the increasing complexities that come with expanding consciousness.

THE IMPACT

As we all join together with others in “Evolution Wants to Happen”, we create a Whole New World where children grow up grounded in the essence of Spirit.