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Beltane 2017

May 5 - 7, 2017 at Circle Sanctuary Nature Preserve near Barneveld, Wisconsin

Coordinated by Minerva & Messina



Love is Love!! Come and celebrate the turning of the wheel; rejoice in the possibilities of spring. Join us to

celebrate peace and love in all its forms. We will move in the ancient Dances celebrating the Beltane Fire Festival.

FEATURING:

* Kids' Programming * Maypole * Morris Dancing * Music * Magical Merchants Faire * Bonfires * Feasting * Workshops * Drumming Circles * May Court * and MORE!

FEATURED PRESENTERS:

- Tajali Tolan
- Laura Gonzalez
- Paul Herrick
- Rev. Michelle & Steve Boshears
- Eric Eldritch
- Jake Bradley
- Nate Metrick
- Rev. Selena Fox
- Messina and Minerva
- Oak Apple Morris Dancers

2017 BELTANE FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Friday, May 5

9 am	Merchant Arrivals		
Noon	Open for General Arrivals		
Noon -	Merchant Faire on the Green		
7 pm	Silent Auction & Raffle Donations accepted in the Raffle Tent		
2 pm	Fairy Folk Honoring Gather at the Fairy Folk Shrine and honor the Fae, also known as Sidhe & Fairies. Bring fresh flowers, dried herbs, small crystals, or other offerings to leave at the Shrine. Facilitated by Selena Fox & Others. Open to all ages.		
2:30 pm	 Workshops: Radical Self-Love <i>with Laura Gonzalez</i> in the Temple Room Explore the diverse beauties of the body as a sacred space and the purification of toxic ideas that disconnect us from our divine self. Childrens' Workshop: Seed Magick <i>with Rev. Bo Nelson</i> Talk about the magick of Beltane and craft seed bombs to take home some of Circle's magick to your hearth! 		
5 pm	Dinner behind the Farmhouse		
7 pm	Opening Ritual <i>with Rev. Selena Fox, Messina and Minerva</i> at the Maypole Ceremony of Welcome & Unwrapping of the Maypole		
8:30 pm	Ancient Goddess Danceswith Tajali Tolan in the Temple Room Come join us for an evening of sacred dances for the goddess, love & abundance. If you don't want to dance, bring your drum or rattle and help to create the music of the dances. Our drum circle and dancing will last as long as we are willing to play and move.		
Saturda	ny, May 6		
7 - 8:30 am	Breakfast in the Summer Kitchen		
8 am	Gate Opens for general arrivals		
9 am	 Silent Auction & Raffle Items accepted in the Raffle Tent until 5 pm Merchant Faire on the Green until 7 pm Newcomers' Meet & Greet in the Temple Room 		
9:30 am	Childrens' Workshop: Childrens' Dance <i>with Tajali Tolan & Rev. Bo Nelson</i> Children will learn a short dance that will be used during Main Ritual.		
10:30 am	Baby Blessing: Draven (son of Delaney) with Rev. Selena Fox. All are welcome.		
10:45 am	May Court Selection & Crowning on the Green		

11 am	Oak Apple Morris Dancers on the Green			
12:30 pm	Lunch behind the farmhouse			
1:30 pm	Maypole Dance with Georgette on the Green			
2 pm	 Workshops: The Alchemy of Dance <i>with Tajali Tolan</i> Join us for a discussion about the transformative power of dance while learning about ancient dances of love, peace and the Goddess. Childrens' Workshop: Maypole Knot Magick <i>with Rev. Bo Nelson</i> We will learn about knot/cord magick and the tradition of the maypole! 			
3:30 pm	Panel Discussion: "SoWhich of You Takes Out the Trash?" Join a panel of community members to discuss Modern Day Gender Roles and Circle's inclusion policy. Panel includes: Rev. Selena Fox, Rev. Michelle Boshears, Steve Boshears, Jake Bradley, Nate Metrick, and Eldritch.			
5 pm	Raffle Drawing and Silent Auction			
6 pm	Dinner behind the Farmhouse			
7:15 pm	Gate Closes for Main Ritual (reopens for departure after ritual)			
7:30 pm	Beltane Ritual with Rev. Moonfeather			
After RItual	The Return of the Beltane or Bust Game Show with Georgette			
9 pm	Spiral Labyrinth <i>with Jenn Nelson</i> A meditative, guided journey through our Spiral Labyrinth.			
Sunday	7, May 7			
7 - 8:30 am	Breakfast in the Summer Kitchen			
8 am	Gate Opens for Arrivals			
9 am	 Workshops: Seasonal Eating with Truly We will talk about the foods of the Beltane season; combining new growth, herbs, flowers and plants of spring with the remaining stored foods of winter. Childrens' Workshop: Beltane Land Exploration with Rev. Bo Nelson Let's witness the seasonal change on the land. We will be telling Beltane stories and exploring any signs of the fey-folk. 			
11 am	Baby Blessing for Genevieve, daughter of Florence and Aaron at the Maypole NOTE: Canadian media will be present to film and photograph this baby blessing. If you			

	aren't attending the blessing, please make your departure before 11 AM or after lunch so not to interfere with media coverage.	
Noon	Lunch behind the Farmhouse	
1 pm	Closing Ritual	
3 pm	Final Departures	

ITEMS TO BRING

- Ritual garb and/or brightly colored clothes, as well as a crown of flowers or greens for your head or bells for your feet, to wear during the Beltane ritual. *(optional)*
- Offering of small crystals, fresh flowers, other items for Fairy Shrine (optional)
- Offering of small stones, crystals, rocks, flowers for the Stone Circle (optional)
- Your own cup to use for drinks at meals and other times.
- Camping Gear: tent, sleeping bag, pillow, air mattress, flashlight, water jug, towel, biodegradable soap and shampoo, personal toiletries, sungear, raingear, cold weather gear, insect and tick repellent.
- A lawn chair, mat, or blanket for outdoor seating. Many activities will be outside.
- An item for the Raffle and/or Silent Auction (optional)
- Drum, rattle, or other rhythm instrument. (optional)
- Chants, songs, or rhythms for late night drumming/dancing (optional)

VENDORS:

If interested in vending, please register as usual, read the FAQ, and contact the Circle office: events@circlesanctuary.org

REGISTRATION

Advance registration is now CLOSED. You may register at the gate upon arrival: adults \$135 for all 3 days, or \$110 for any two days, or \$65 for any one day. Youth (5-17) are \$45 for all 3 days, or \$40 for any two days, or \$30 for Saturday only. Children under 5 are free.

Cancellations received before April 24th will be refunded minus 50% processing fee. Cancellations received on April 24th or later will not be refunded. Please refer to Circle's cancellation policy if you should need to cancel your event registration.

For more information, contact events@circlesanctuary.org or call the Circle office at (608) 924-2216.

QUESTIONS?

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