

Beltane 2019

May 3 - 5, 2019
at Circle Sanctuary Nature Preserve
near Barneveld, Wisconsin

Coordinated by Georgette & Bob

It is Beltane! The Earth warms under the sun's caress and the world is new and bright again! We emerge from the darkness of a long difficult winter; our eyes drink in the green hills, budding branches and tender shoots on Sacred Land as we breathe deeply the fresh fragrance of radiant blossoms. Dance the maypole! Feel the heartbeat of the drum! And mark sacred moments of connection as we gather to celebrate the high energy of this most fertile season of potential and possibility. Merriment calls and magick is afoot!



FEATURING:

- Journey to the British Isles with live music by [Wrannock Celtic Trio](#) in concert Friday evening! Enjoy traditional Celtic music on whistles, guitar, cittern, tenor banjo, mandolin, bodhrán and vocals while the family band shares tales of their travels
- Seasonal workshops with Reverend Selena Fox on the magic of Tree Spirits, May Baskets & Maypoles and more!
- Jubilant traditional English dances by [Oak Apple Morris Dancers](#)
- Travel to Ancient Egypt with a fascinating discussion on temple magic that still lives today with John Markey
- Delightful activities for children and families throughout the weekend hosted by Florence
- “Desire Entwining” -- An inspirational Beltane Ritual with Rev. Georgette Paxton and the community on Saturday night. Gather to celebrate the bonds we

share with loved ones & kin to work blessings of hope, lasting love, and burst forth into the bright promises fed by our passions!

- Bonfires, Raffle, Spiral Labyrinth and so much more!

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2019 BELTANE FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Friday, May 3

10 am	Merchant Arrivals
Noon	Open for General Arrivals
Noon - 7 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Merchant Faire on the Green• Silent Auction & Raffle Donations accepted in the Raffle Tent
2 pm	Honoring the Fae at the Faerie Shrine <i>with Judith</i> Gather at the Fairy Shrine and honor the Fairy Folk with offerings of flowers, dried herbs, small crystals, or other small natural items to leave at the Shrine.
3 pm	Workshops: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tree Spirits, Tree Rituals <i>with Selena Fox</i> in the Temple Room• Family Programming: TBA <i>in the Summer Kitchen</i>
5:30 pm	Dinner behind the Farmhouse
7 pm	Ritual of Welcome and Festival Blessings <i>with Selena, Georgette, and Bob</i> at the Maypole
8:00 pm	In Concert: Wrannock Celtic Trio Enjoy a wonderful musical journey with the family band of Angus, Lisa, and Mike Mossman, as they share an evening of traditional Celtic music woven with stories of their travels to Ireland, the Outer Hebrides, Orkney and Shetland Islands of Scotland.

Saturday, May 4

7 - 8:30 am	Breakfast in the Summer Kitchen
8 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gate Opens for general arrivals• Silent Auction & Raffle Items accepted in the Raffle Tent until 5 pm

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merchant Faire on the Green until 7 pm
9 am	Baby Blessing of Rowan , son of Mandie & Zach Zopp. <i>With Minerva, Messina, and Selena Fox</i>
9:30 am	Family Programming: TBA
10:30 am	May Court Selection & Crowning
11 am	<p>Oak Apple Morris Dancers on the Green</p> <p>Performances of English traditional dance by the Oak Apple Morris Dancers. The Morris Dancers remind us of the fertility customs of our ancestors; the clacking of antlers and high stepping as a symbol of the jubilation of Spring and the Summer ahead. Join as we dance in the Merry Merry Month of May; the season of Beltane!</p>
12:30 pm	Lunch behind the farmhouse
2 pm	<p>Workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May Baskets, May Bushes, and Maypoles <i>with Selena Fox</i> • Family Programming: TBA
3:30 pm	<p>Ancient Egypt through Today <i>with John Markey</i></p> <p>The temples are alive, still in use, and still helping with ascension to God consciousness. We will look at sacred temple paintings, discuss how they relate to a spiritual practice and try a hands-on demonstration</p>
4:00 pm	Kids' & Family Beltane Ritual <i>with Florence</i>
5:15 pm	Raffle Drawing and Silent Auction
5:45 pm	Dinner behind the Farmhouse
6:30 pm	Gate Closes for Main Ritual (reopens for departure after ritual)
7:00 pm	<p>Beltane Ritual: Desire Entwining <i>with Rev. Georgette Paxton</i></p> <p>Gather to celebrate the bonds we share with loved ones & kin and work the magick of hope and lasting love, bursting forth into the bright promises fed by our passion. This main ritual includes the Maypole Dance, invocations, song, drumming, and revelry with community. We begin at the Green followed by a procession to Festival Circle, passing through the fires of purification and leaping the Beltane Balefire for fertility, prosperity and good fortune.</p>
8:30 pm	<p>Beltane Boardgame Lounge in the Temple Room</p> <p>Get your game on! Gather with friends and make new ones with a relaxed evening of gaming at tables in the barn with mellow background music and snacks. Bring your own favorite game whether it's D&D, Magic, or Monopoly; or pick a game to play from our modest selection.</p>

Sunday, May 5

7 - 8:30 am	Breakfast in the Summer Kitchen
8 am	Gate Opens for Arrivals
9 am	Paper Crafting: May Day Baskets & Bookmarks with <i>Heather Ockler</i> For Adults and Children. Parents of little ones - please join them! Make a basket to collect small flowers or to fill with small offerings for the Fairy Shrine: Pre-cut paper provided with personalized folding instructions for making a small paper May Day basket. --Or-- Make your own book mark for your favorite books! With colorful paper in solid colors or printed papers; add small pieces of flowers or grasses. Some rubber stamps and ink may be available to embellish as well. Each book mark can be "laminated" with clear contact paper to preserve your creative work.
10 am	Kids & Family Story Time with <i>Florence</i>
10:30 am	Shaping Intentions with Crystals with <i>Betty Pound</i> Join us in a hands-on workshop using crystal shapes like pillow stones, spheres, eggs, palm stones, pyramids and points for personalized applications and projecting willful purpose in your energetic & magickal workings. We'll discuss the basics of protection, projection, and cleansing then move forward to applying focus, intention, gratitude, and affirmation to our work.
12:30 pm	Lunch behind the Farmhouse
1:30 pm	Bringing the Magic Home: Closing Circle with <i>Bob, Georgette, and Selena</i> Remember the joys of the weekend and connect with kin new and old before the journey home.
3 pm	Final Departures

ITEMS TO BRING

- An item or two to donate for the Raffle and/or Silent Auction (optional)
- 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.
- 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](#).

Registration:

Adults (each):	Through 5/2	At Gate
3 Days	\$120	\$130
2 Days	\$100	\$110
Sat. Only	\$70	\$75
Children 5+ (each)	Through 5/2	At Gate
3 Days	\$45	\$50
2 Days	\$40	\$45
Sat. Only	\$30	\$35

Children under 5 are free.

Register ONLINE

Registration for this event is limited. Please register online to guarantee you will be able to attend.

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.

QUESTIONS?

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