

October 5th thru 7th 2007

Mission Statement

The Community Herbal Convergence is an annual bioregional gathering co-created by herbalists and activists. We are committed to accessibility, diversity, equality and sustainability within the fields of Clinical and Community Herbalism, and Herbal Education. The convergence is a celebration and an honoring of both the ancient roots and the new sprouts of people's plant medicine. It is a forum to reclaim our healthcare so that we may better serve our families, communities and the Earth. With elders, teachers and plants as our guides, we envision health care that moves beyond racism, environmental degradation, classism, homophobia, sexism, cultural appropriation and the corporate takeover of herbal medicine. This gathering is a space for creativity, sharing, education, gratitude, inquiry, healing and empowerment. Our intention is to support and nourish diverse, inclusive and reciprocal herbal networks in the Northeast.

FRIDAY Panel discussion and potluck dinner

4:00 - 6:00pm Registration, plantwalk and potluck dinner : Bring a dish to share !

6:00 - 8:00pm Working Models of Accessible Health Care: Panel 1

8:00 - 10:00pm Movie, desert, tea time and cordial nightcaps

SATURDAY all day: Understanding Cultural Appropriation, Working Through Classism within Health Care, Becoming a Trans-Ally and Plant Walks at Seven Arrows Farm

9:00 -10:30am The Nurses Garden; Herbs & Sexuality; The Body as Ecology; Preparing for Avian Flu & Pandemic Flu; Herbs for Midwifery; Herbal Hors D'oeuvres

10:45 - 12:15pm Herbs for Eating Disorders; Percolation Method of Tincturing; Container Gardening for Urban Herbalists; Transitioning Off Psych Medications

2:00 - 3:30pm Growing Herbs for Production; The History of Herbal Medicine; Breast, Pelvic and Speculum Self Exam Workshop; The Icarus Project: Mental Health

4:30-6:00pm Using Wild Carrot; Food as Medicine; Trans Health discussion; Basic Flower Essences workshop

8:00-9:30pm Project Presentations: The Rhizome Collective, The Farmacy, Just Foods!

SUNDAY Open Discussions and Panels; Bioregional Networking from 12:30-200pm

9:00 - 10:30am `Anti-Oppression Within Herbal Practice: facilitated discussion

`Working Models of Accessible Health Care: 2nd Panel

11:00 - 12:30pm `Becoming a Community Herbalist: panel discussion

`Organizing around FDA regulations on herbal products

Childcare and kids activities will be available during class and discussion times Friday, Saturday and Sunday!

Aside from the Friday evening potluck, all meals will be provided ~ volunteers needed!

Need a ride? Check out: <http://radherb.erideshare.com> Password: radherb



Where?

Seven Arrows Herb Farm
Attleboro, Mass.

To register or for more info:

Sevenarrowsfarm.com (calendar page)

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