

# *Pathways to Presence: Embodying the Divine Feminine*

*March 15-16, 2008  
Brighton, Michigan*



*First in a series of three weekend workshops devoted to the power and practice of embodied Presence, session one will explore the internal terrain of intuition, wisdom and joy through a sensuous exploration of the Divine Feminine. Using imagery, breath, movement, music, and a compendium of spiritual insight and teachings, we'll entice and invite ourselves to more fully inhabit the temple of the spirit.*

*As we foster the connection to our physical and instinctual/emotional bodies, we'll build a bridge to the present moment; for it is only in the here and now that true healing and transformation can occur and birth the capacity to live within the clarity and freedom of an authentic Self.*

*Toward that end we'll dance with the following topics:*

*~ What does it mean to be "embodied," and what are the consequences of not being fully present in one's body?*

*~ What is the Divine Feminine and why is it crucial to embodied presence and awareness for both men and women?*

*~ What are the cultural, religious and psychological dynamics that have encouraged and provoked so many to abandon the body temple?*

*~ What is sacred sexuality and how can we resacralize our own sexual nature and relationships?*

*~ What energetic and experiential processes open, activate and amplify the flow of life force through the chakras?*

*Join us for one or any of three weekend sessions in the series at Emrich Retreat Center in beautiful Brighton, Michigan. Lodging and delicious food for body and soul available. A presentation of One Space and Cosmic Door Productions.*

*Presenters:*

*Deborah Austin, MA Transpersonal Psychology, is an intuitive healer and life-long student of a broad spectrum of spiritual philosophies. A teacher of metaphysics and spirituality since 1985 and a presenter at the national level, she currently teaches about personal transformation and healing through the lens of spiritual psychology and the practice of embodiment- the awakening of soul in matter. In her counseling and spiritual mentoring practice she utilizes the archetypes of soul-centered astrology and honors a deep commitment to assist others in revisioning life challenges as opportunities for unlocking inner resources, the gifts of soul and psyche which bring freedom from fear and limitation. Trained in Esoteric Healing, Cranial-sacral Therapy, Somato-emotional Release, and Reiki, Deborah firmly believes that humor is absolutely essential on the road to awakened soul Presence.*

*Leslie Blackburn, MS, is an accomplished and gifted engineer, artist, yogini and Tantrika. Through a successful technical career beginning in 1993, Leslie honed managerial, presentation and speaking skills. Integrating these with her creativity and passion for the spiritual path led to the creation of One Space, LLC, a conscious teaching/learning community and an avenue for the sharing of her art. Her artwork incorporates the principles of sacred geometry and balance and is a flowing exploration of the inner self as well as the power and beauty of the human form. Through her exploration and practice of sacred sexuality/Tantra, she has experienced deep healing and release on a personal level and is called to share this path of potential with others. Leslie's personal path and work has been the integration of the ever-unfolding feminine in body and psyche with masculine direction and purpose- Love in action!*

*“Embodied consciousness is my own phrase. . . I had to come to God through the body. To me the feminine side of God is consciousness in matter, the wisdom in the body; the light in the cells; the subtle body. For me that subtle body within my physical body is the receiver that can receive the transcendent experience of the divine.” Jungian analyst, Dr. Marion Woodman*

*“In our bodies, in this moment, there live the seed impulses of the change and spiritual growth we seek, and to awaken them we must bring our awareness into the body, into the here and now.” Somatic psychologist, Pat Ogden, PhD.*

### Workshop Schedule

Out of town and local participants opting to stay at Emrich for the weekend are welcome to arrive Friday evening after 6 PM. Food service will be available starting with breakfast on Saturday morning.

<u>SATURDAY, MARCH 15</u>	<u>SUNDAY, MARCH 16</u>
8-9:30 am: Breakfast and registration 9:30 am – 12:30 pm: Session 1 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm: Lunch 1:30 pm – 5 pm: Session 2 5:30 – 7 pm: Dinner 7:00- 9 pm: Session 3	7 am – 8 am: Meditation (optional) 8 am- 9 am: Breakfast 9:15 am – 12:15 pm: Session 4 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm: Lunch 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm: Session 5 2:30 pm – 3 pm: Closing

### Driving Directions

**Emrich Retreat Center**, 7380 Teahen Rd, Brighton, MI 48116 (810) 231-1060, [www.emrich.org](http://www.emrich.org)

**From Lansing or Detroit via I-96 or from Flint via US 23:**

If traveling on I-96, merge on to southbound US 23 at Exit 148A. Exit US 23 at Exit 58 (Lee Road). This is the first exit. As you approach the roundabout, merge right as you enter and go a quarter of the way around the circle and follow the signs directing you to Lee Road. After leaving the roundabout, proceed west on Lee Road to the first stop light (at Rickett Road). **Turn left (south)** and go to the first stop sign (Maltby Road). Turn right (west) and go about 2 miles to a stop sign at Hamburg Road. Proceed straight ahead, cross the bridge and at the first street turn right (west) onto Bauer Road (gravel surface), Go 1/2 mile to the first road, which is Teahen Road. Turn left (west) onto Teahen Road and go 3/4 of a mile to the top of the hill. The entrance to Emrich will be on your right as you make the curve at the top of the hill.

**Those traveling north (from Ann Arbor or Toledo) on US 23 follow these directions:**

Exit US 23 at Exit 58 (Lee Road). The ramp will cause you to loop around so that you are headed south. As you approach the roundabout you will merge right as you enter the roundabout, go a quarter of the way around the circle and follow the signs directing you to Lee Road. You will cross US 23 and come to two more roundabouts. You should go halfway around both roundabouts, again following the signs to Lee Road. After leaving the last roundabout, proceed west on Lee Road to the first stop light (Rickett Road), then follow the directions above from the bolded text beginning **“Turn left (south)...”**

*One Space and Cosmic Door Productions proudly present:*

**The Pathways to Presence Series:  
Weekend #1 - Embodying the Divine Feminine\*  
March 15-16, 2008**

Location: Emrich Retreat Center, Brighton, Michigan [www.emrich.org](http://www.emrich.org)

Cost: includes workshop, room and board (overnight accommodations Fri and Sat nights; breakfast, lunch, dinner on Sat; breakfast and lunch on Sunday)

- Quad occupancy: \$310
- Commuter (includes workshop & food only): \$260
- Double or single occupancy: (\$360/\$410; limited availability, please contact us to inquire)
- Tuition only: \$222 \*\*

Registration :

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian: yes or no

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ (please provide email if possible as this will be our primary method of communication prior to the event)

Payment information :

Please make checks payable to: "Cosmic Door Productions"

VISA or Mastercard: (please note your charge receipt will read "Dog Ear Productions"):

card # \_\_\_\_\_ expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_ phone: \_\_\_\_\_ total: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please return form and payment by email to [info@onespaceconnected.com](mailto:info@onespaceconnected.com), or via U.S. mail to One Space, 24849 Ward, Dearborn, MI 48124 **by March 7, 2008**)

Info: To help us make this and future workshops a valuable experience, please let us know your goals/expectations of this workshop?:

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Questions?

Contact: by email: [info@onespaceconnected.com](mailto:info@onespaceconnected.com), or phone: 248-486-3066

\* Due to adult content participants must be 18 years of age or older.

\*\* Please note that the nearest restaurants are a 20 minute drive from Emrich.