

*Celebrating the Creative Spirit*



**2017**

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**Brushwood Folklore Center LLC**

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THANK YOU! AGAIN, THANKS TO ALL THOSE THAT HELP MAKE THIS HAPPEN! THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS, PRESENTERS, ATTENDEES, EVERYONE!! THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE GROWS STRONGER EVERY YEAR BECAUSE OF THE THINGS YOU DO.

AND, FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO LIKE TO PLAN AHEAD...

*Come and enjoy two weeks of Festival at Brushwood in 2018!!*

SANKOFA IS JULY 9 - 15, 2018

SIRIUS RISING IS JULY 16 - 22, 2018

Your thoughts and comments are needed. We want to continue to make Sankofa something special to the Community. It is truly a "festival of the people" - What did you like? What didn't you? What would you like to see in the future? Write to us online [camp@brushwood.com](mailto:camp@brushwood.com) - subject: Sankofa Comments

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# WELCOME

*to Sankofa “Celebrate the Creative Spirit”*

## **Sankofa “Celebrate the Creative Spirit”**

is now in its 8th year. Sankofa continues to promote an open-minded, accepting and safe environment that allows participants the freedom to have fun and nurture their creative spirit.

Sankofa – The word *sankofa* can mean “learn from the past to build a better future.” It comes from the Akan language of Ghana and translates in English to “reach back and get it” and an Adinkra symbol of a bird turned to take an egg off its back. The sankofa has been Brushwood Folklore Center LLC’s logo for over 20 years and holds special meaning especially now as the focus of July’s newest festival moves more toward artistic expression. Over 40 years ago, Brushwood Folklore Center was founded as a place for artists to live, work, and learn. Although Brushwood has taken many forms over the years, the Bohemian environment and the creative spirit has been consistent.

## **Sankofa Highlights**

**Brushwood Family Choir (Daily)** – gives you the opportunity to showcase your singing talents on the Main Stage. Rehearse with **Jes Raymond** on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 11:00 a.m. in preparation for a Saturday’s performance with her and the members of her nationally touring band, “**The Blackberry Bushes**”. Ideally, you would participate in every rehearsal, but feel free to join the workshop rehearsals any day.

**Meet-n-Greet (Monday)** – Join us at the Cookhouse Pavilion Monday at 8:00 p.m. to get to know each other, ask questions about the festival or campground in general. Relax and have some fun.

**Movie Night (Tuesday)** – Double feature: ***Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*** and ***The Rocky Horror Picture Show***.

**Karaoke Night (Wednesday)** – Hosted by Brushwood Radio at the Café starting at 9:00 p.m. There might even be a talent scout there from the Brushwood Family Choir.

**The Spoken Word (Thursday)** – Opportunity to showcase your poetry or storytelling skills on the Main Pavilion Stage. Sign up at 1:00 p.m. Thursday or at the Main Pavilion or with the sound crew at the stage.

**Rhiannon’s Lark (Thursday)** – was created by Alyssa Yeager (sensual vocals, growly guitar, candy-coated ukulele) to express the reality of life as a geek, goddess, and girl. Alyssa is known for her “magical, mystical storytelling”.

**Bodies in Motion: Open Dance Performance Night (Friday)** – opportunity to showcase your dancing talents on the Main Pavilion Stage. Sign up at the coordination meetings on Tue, Wed and Thu, 3:00 at the Main Pavilion. Hosted by Maia Alexandra and Rob.

**Saturday’s Extravaganza** – Dress up, show off your talents or show your appreciation of others. This year is focused on the creative efforts of the Sankofa community. Featuring: **the Brushwood Family Choir, Jes Raymond and the Blackberry Bushes, Fire Dancing** and **Sankofa Fire**. It’s going to be fun night.

**Fire Dancing and Sankofa Fire** – *The Main Stage performances will flow into Fire Dancing (just North of the pavilion) and procession to the Sankofa Fire at the Roundhouse... then dance ‘til dawn if you are so inclined. (Note: See Fuego or Zimra early in the week if you want to participate in the Fire Dance. You must attend the coordination workshops to participate.)*

**Brushwood Radio 90.3 FM** – Enjoy music, festival interviews, concert broadcasts, storytelling and campground information. Give a big thanks to this great group of people who volunteer their time and energy to make the week special. Visit them at the Radio Shack and share your ideas.

## **Workshops and Activities**

**Teens’ Program** – Teen specific workshops and activities are designated by ☼ in the program. In general, teens are welcomed at any workshop unless designated “Adult Only”. Check the workshop’s description -- if in doubt, ask. Teen specific programs have the symbol before the class name. Classes that are encouraging attendance by teens as well as adults have the symbol after the description. There are some teen workshops scheduled at the Henna Tree. When there are no workshops there, teens are welcome to hang out at the Henna Tree pavilion.

**Kids’ Program** – Kids’ workshops and activities are designated by ☺ in the program. Many of the other workshops welcome the kids when they are accompanied by a parent -- see the program description. And when in doubt, ask the speaker. The children’s main “hang out” is Kid Village, but this is not a daycare or a place to drop off your kids, even during workshops.

**Sweat Lodge (Be Prepared)** – Please make sure you check-in at the Rowan’s Camp near the North Stage 24 hours before the sweat for information and instructions about how to prepare yourself. Men’s Sweat is Wednesday, Mixed Sweat is Thursday, and Women’s Sweat is Friday.

**Additional Fees** – Some workshops require additional fees to cover the cost of materials. Please look through the program and be aware of the fees.

**Shrines & Sacred Spaces** – There are many areas at Brushwood that have been created and are being developed with specific intent. The Nemeton and Runestead are lovely sites that have been long established, and you should make a point to visit them during your stay. The Watcher can be found just North of the Runestead. Efforts led by members of the Visioning Team are also underway to further develop elemental shrines (Earth, Air, Fire, Water, and Spirit) as well as the Ancestor Area. The shrine development is an ongoing process and others are welcomed and encouraged to join us in the future.

## Festival Guidelines

We want you to have a good time, so everyone is required to show respect for each other and to promote a safe, peaceful, and friendly environment. **Please follow the *Brushwood Guidelines including Pool Rules*, which you received at the Registration Desk.** You are also expected to follow posted signs (e.g., Pool and Spa Rules, Parking, Speed Limits, etc.). Disruptive behavior of any kind will shorten your stay; **there are no refunds.** Details to help understand the guidelines during festivals are provided in the following paragraphs for you.

- **Children's (under 18) safety** continues to be one of our highest priorities. Parents/Guardians are responsible for the safety and wellbeing of their children at all times.
- **Guardians must be over 21** years old and provide a notarized letter upon arrival on site (letter details are found on the website or at the registration desk.)
- **Parents/Guardians must be at the campground** with the child at all times. If Parents/Guardians leave the campground (e.g., run an errand), they should take their children with them.
- **Under 13 years old must be in the line of sight** of their parent/guardian or with a babysitter.
- **Babysitters must be 13 or over**, must know where the Parents/Guardians are at the campground and have a method to speak with Parents/Guardians immediately (i.e., cell phone or radio).
- **13 – 17 years old** do not need to be in the line of sight of their Parents/Guardians, but they must know where the Parents/Guardians are at the campground and have method to speak with them immediately (i.e., cell phone or radio).
- **Curfew is 12:00 a.m./midnight** for all those under 18. Parents/Guardians must be with their children (0-17) after this time.
- **Parents/Guardians of those 13-17** are strongly encouraged to accompany children to the roundhouse at all times.
- More stringent rules and earlier curfews may be implemented, when necessary.

**Photographs** – Respect each other's privacy. Cellular phone technology has made it impossible to ban photographs, but we require discretion. Photographs are **ONLY** allowed with the permission of those being photographed. Especially be considerate about posting photographs on social networking sites (e.g. Facebook). You must ask specifically if you can post someone's photograph. There will be a few staff photographers with identification working throughout the festival, but they will be using the utmost discretion. If you do not want your photograph taken, please politely let the photographer know.



**Vehicles** – Parking is free across the road from the campground and should be used by those needing to come and go frequently. Vehicles are allowed on the campground (for a fee) to park near your campsite or to drop off gear. You should not be driving around the campground. When entering or leaving the campground, follow posted speed limit (5 mph) and one-way signs. Do not drive during workshops or performances (roads may be closed at those times). Do not drive after dark. Special passes are provided to those with special needs to drive.

**Go Green:** Carry In - Carry Out your trash and recycling. Anything you can do to reduce the amount of trash produced would be helpful. A trash transfer and recycling station is located at Sherman on Rt. 76 near the I-86 on and off ramp, open on Tuesday and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Water Conservation** – Please conserve water. Some conservation techniques are listed in the *Brushwood Guidelines*.

## Enjoying Your Stay

**Food** – The Sankofa Café is operated by Brushwood Folklore Center, LLC with the help of some close friends. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served daily, 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. with extended hours on weekends. Phil's Grill is also open daily, serving Mediterranean Cuisine and specialty items. Snacks are available at the Brushwood Store. There are also grocery stores: Mack's Market in Sherman, NY, Tops in Mayville, and Wegmans in Lakewood, NY and Erie, PA.

**Helpful Hints:** Bring a folding chair or blanket to sit on during workshops and performances. Drink water! Wear sunscreen. Take care of yourself and get rest. The festival atmosphere is exciting, but don't forget to sleep, eat, and watch out for each other.

**ATM** – The bank is on Main Street in Sherman, NY and the ATM is on the Miller Street side of the bank.

**Volunteering** – The volunteers are an integral part of the festival. They are the unsung heroes that keep Brushwood safe, clean and working effectively. (They also help keep the cost of the festival low so it can be enjoyed by so many.) No job is more important than another; it is working together that makes the real difference. Please take the time to thank the volunteers when they are helping. If you are interested in becoming part of the volunteer community go to the volunteer page on our website ([brushwood.com](http://brushwood.com)) and submit your applications online by May 1, 2018.

10:00 a.m.	☺ Morning Story .....	TJ Laffan .....	Kid Village
11:00 a.m.	The Way of the Mask I - The Art and Craft of Masks .....	Lauren Raine .....	Studio
11:00 a.m.	Interlace Meditation .....	Gretchen Schork.....	East Meadow
11:00 a.m.	Introduction to Chinese Tongue and Pulse Diagnosis .....	Carol Lee Callen .....	Runstead
11:00 a.m.	Building a Community of Support Within a World of Division .....	Shannon Deets .....	Storytelling Pavilion
11:00 a.m.	Dance/Movement Improvisation/Contact Connection.....	Luna Tuohy .....	North Stage
11:00 a.m.	🌀 Dream Catcher .....	Lilith Holmes .....	Kid Village
11:00 a.m.	Crystal 101 .....	Gene Corn .....	Wolf Treasures Booth
1:00 p.m.	Quick Start Intuitive Tarot.....	Starlet Lebrun.....	Studio
1:00 p.m.	Full Immersion Gong Bath.....	Liz Holland.....	Runstead
1:00 p.m.	M/F/Other: The Gender Spectrum.....	Stephanie Creatrix.....	North Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	Medicinal Food Herbs .....	Firesong .....	Studio
3:00 p.m.	What's New in Witchcraft Studies 2017.....	Skip Clark.....	East Shire
3:00 p.m.	Storytelling and Pictographs (Teens and Elders) 🌀 .....	Seeker.....	Storytelling Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	New Spices to Add to the Drum Circle Stew .....	Jamie Kubala.....	North Stage
5:00 p.m.	🌀 Brushwood Tattoo Scavenger Hunt Selfie Contest .....	Dina Rivera.....	Studio
5:00 p.m.	Cordial Making.....	Anomie.....	North Pavilion
8:00 p.m.	<b>Meet and Greet</b> .....		<b>Cookhouse Pavilion</b>

**MONDAY CLASS DESCRIPTIONS**

10:00 A.M. KID VILLAGE

☺ **Morning Story**

*TJ Laffan* *Children with Parent*

Kids, bring your parental units and hear some great morning stories. Parents, it's a great way to ease into the day while you enjoy some time with your child. We'll color while we listen and if the weather is nice, we'll hang the pictures on the Kid Village fence for a wonderful Sankofa Gallery until you take your creation home! Thursday and Friday, we'll add craft time as well! **Parents must stay with their children – there are no babysitting services at Kid Village and children cannot be left alone there even during workshops.**

11:00 A.M. STUDIO

**The Way of the Mask I - The Art and Craft of Masks**

*Lauren Raine* *Adult Only*

In this 3-part introduction to mask arts, we'll begin with a brief overview of mask "induction", and different forms of mask construction. We'll then construct some simple masks of our own. **Material Fee: \$10.00**

11:00 A.M. EAST MEADOW

**Interlace Meditation**

*Gretchen Schork* *All Welcome*

A simple weave pattern will be drawn by participants, which will then be used in a meditation. This design will be provided for economy of time, with a magical, meditative visualization exercise that empowers the pattern. Uses of the pattern and the technique will be discussed for a strong practical approach to empowering any artistic project.

11:00 A.M. RUNESTEAD

**Introduction to Chinese Tongue and Pulse Diagnosis**

*Carol Lee Callen* *All Welcome*

This workshop will introduce you to the concepts of Chinese pulse and tongue diagnosis. You will be offered practical tools to start, including hands-on experience with the other participants. Although this can become very subtle and complex with an experienced practitioner, you will be able to differentiate some basic patterns. **Materials: Please bring a note book, hand outs will be provided.**

11:00 A.M. STORYTELLING PAVILION

**Building a Community of Support Within a World of Division**

*Shannon Deets* *All Welcome*

When the world is in a period of transition and stress; it is not uncommon for fear to cause individuals to revert to divisive ego-centric patterns. The current planetary cycle is no different and needs guides/light workers who are able to lead all of the star-seed race through this period into a time of community. This workshop will focus on interpersonal and communication skills that are desperately needed but not taught in our present society.

11:00 A.M. NORTH STAGE

**Dance/Movement Improvisation/Contact Connection**

*Luna Tuohy* *Adult Only*

I am a certified dance educator, mover, choreographer, educator, and a dance/movement therapist interested in welcoming folks to bring themselves into structured improvisational space, creating safe space

where we can move and join guided movement. I will lead a structured movement experiential where we will invite curiosity into our thematic movement, invited to explore space together, and learn to bring our authentic selves into the space while inviting play and freedom to explore self/environment. **Requirements: Dress for movement. Respect space, self, others, boundaries, and work together to create safe space and free, authentic exploration of movement.**

**11:00 A.M. KID VILLAGE**

**⚙️ Dream Catcher**

*Lilith Holmes* *Teens (13-17)*  
This workshop will teach you about dream catchers and how to make them. **Material Fee: \$8.00**

**11:00 A.M. WOLF TREASURES BOOTH**

**Crystal 101**

*Gene Corn* *All Welcome*  
How to find your crystals, Cleansing crystals, Energizing crystals, How to use your crystals, Raw versus polished, Spheres versus pyramids, Wands versus egg shaped, Size of stones in relation to energy, Color, Shapes, Chakras

**1:00 P.M. STUDIO**

**Quick Start Intuitive Tarot**

*Starlet Lebrun* *All Welcome*  
Learn to read tarot the quick and easy method. Starlet has been reading tarot for 20+ years and teaching for 10. This workshop will teach you some quick and easy methods for reading tarot that will have you leaving class being able to read tarot.

**1:00 P.M. RUNESTEAD**

**Full Immersion Gong Bath**

*Liz Holland* *Adult Only*  
A gong bath is a meditative sonic experience, where the participant is "bathed" in sound waves from various gongs. The practice finds its roots in ancient cultures and Kundalini yoga and is more recently used by sound healing practitioners. The participant can expect to be taken on a meditation journey enhanced and assisted by the frequencies of these ancient instruments. Bring a yoga mat or blanket.

**1:00 P.M. NORTH PAVILION**

**M/F/other: The Gender Spectrum**

*Stephanie Creatrix* *All Welcome*  
With transgender people gaining representation in the media, many people are wondering about gender beyond male and female. This workshop will explore the gender spectrum and identify different non-binary identities. We will examine common misunderstandings and ways to interact respectfully with people no matter their gender identity or expression. Bring your questions; resources for further investigation and support will be provided.

**3:00 P.M. STUDIO**

**Medicinal Food Herbs**

*Firesong* *All Welcome*  
Our spice cabinets hold some secrets to living healthier lives. In this workshop, we will discuss the medicinal uses of common food herbs. Food herbs are ones that have been tested in our kitchens for a long time. They are generally safe for most people to use for medicinal purposes. We will discuss the properties of specific herbs used alone and in combinations as medicine. Some recipes included. Bringing notepaper and writing tools is helpful.

**3:00 P.M. EAST SHIRE**

**What's New in Witchcraft Studies 2017**

*Skip Clark* *All Welcome*  
The field of Witchcraft Studies gets more and more expansive each year as new works are published which greatly expand and change our long-held views of the "Burning Times." Please come and see what's been newly discovered over the past year or so!

**3:00 P.M. STORYTELLING PAVILION**

**Storytelling and Pictographs ⚙️**

*Seeker* *Teens/Elders*  
Before there were written words, the natives preserved their stories on cave walls, stones, animal hides and on clothing. Seeker will share some of the ancient stories with you, providing inspiration and art supplies for you to tell YOUR story.

**3:00 P.M. NORTH STAGE**

**New Spices to Add to the Drum Circle Stew**

*Jamie Kubala* *All Welcome*  
This workshop will introduce and explore special new musical spices to add to the drum circle stew, including on and off beats, funky danceable bass drum and bass guitar-inspired beats, silence, triplets and the melodic/rhythmic connection. Learn when to lay into the drum and when to lay back. Open your mind and your ears with us and you and your drum will go to places they have never been before.

**5:00 P.M. STUDIO**

**⚙️ Brushwood Tattoo Scavenger Hunt Selfie Contest**

*Dina Rivera* *Teens (13-17)*  
Each day a written clue will be given. The teens must use written clues to find the individual with the tattoo described. They must ask politely to take a photo of themselves with either the tattoo or the tattoo volunteer. There will be a daily ranking system, which will allow late comers to join in on the fun. The final reveal will happen on Sunday where the individuals and tattoos are answered and prizes given.

**5:00 P.M. NORTH PAVILION**

**Cordial Making**

*Anomie* *Adult Only*  
Making your own cordials can be easy and fun! These delicious libations have been made by monks and alchemists and those searching for fruity liquor for desert or the cure to all man's ills! Fruit, herbs, spices and/or cream plus some bottled store bought alcohol. The taste of summer is wonderful in mid winter when it is ready! Over 21 only as we will taste some that is already made. If you would like to start some yourself, bring a glass jar with a good seal (wide mouth canning jars are perfect), filled with clean prepared fruit and vodka enough to fill the jar.

**8:00 P.M.**  
**COOKHOUSE PAVILION**  
**Sanfoka Meet & Greet**

Informal gathering and jam session. Come meet our crew and we'll be glad to answer any questions you have about Sankofa or the campground in general. Bring an instrument if you feel like playing. BYOB

9:00 a.m.	Spirit Collage .....	Lisa Owen .....	Studio
9:00 a.m.	Women, Granny Women & Granny Witches.....	Sandy Caswell.....	Storytelling Pavilion
10:00 a.m.	☺ Morning Story.....	TJ Laffan .....	Kid Village
11:00 a.m.	Stuff and Things with TJ.....	TJ Laffan .....	Kid Village
11:00 a.m.	Brushwood Family Choir.....	Jes Raymond.....	Main Pavilion
11:00 a.m.	Wake and Make .....	Yvonne & Bronwyn Frost.....	Studio
11:00 a.m.	Activating Mandalas.....	Gretchen Schork.....	East Meadow
11:00 a.m.	A Taste of Contradancing.....	Thomas Crone .....	North Stage
11:00 a.m.	Sweat Information Class (Male).....	Rowan Clan .....	Sweat Lodge
1:00 p.m.	A Decade of Dancing.....	Jasper Friend .....	Studio
1:00 p.m.	Yoga Fundamentals.....	Majik Bingham .....	East Meadow
1:00 p.m.	Stick Weaving 101 .....	Elisheva.....	North Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	Bodies in Motion Dance Coordination .....	Maia Alexandra.....	Main Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	The Shamans World View (Part I).....	Joy Wedmedyk .....	North Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	Carving in Place .....	James Stonecarver.....	Maypole Stones
5:00 p.m.	Deep Cellular Cleanse With Crystal Bowls .....	Rhiannon Rock .....	Runestead
5:00 p.m.	Make Your Own Faerie.....	Lady Damiana Messier .....	Storytelling Pavilion
8:30 p.m.	<b>Movie Night</b> .....	<b>Brushwood Sound Crew</b> .....	<b>Main Pavilion</b>

**TUESDAY CLASS DESCRIPTIONS**

9:00 A.M. STUDIO

**Spirit Collage**

*Lisa Owen* *All Welcome*

This is a hands-on class. Using meditation paints, markers, canvases, words, shapes and multiple different everyday things pens, buttons, crayon, and other STUFF to make a feel-good piece with spiritual inspiration. All supplies are provided.

9:00 A.M. STORYTELLING PAVILION

**Women, Granny Women & Granny Witches**

*Sandy Caswell*

Grannies were responsible for the physical and spiritual health of their clans. Relying heavily on common sense and herbal medicine, they prayed and chanted, made lotions and potions, charms and spells, birthed, healed and buried their people. With dice and playing cards they divined the future and the hidden truth of personal and clan matters They left offerings for the spirits of the land. Over the centuries, the wisdom and work of the Grannies has passed from woman to woman. Today they continue to offer advice, healing and all manner of service as needed. Granny's magic is a practical practice, neither good nor bad, for she does what is necessary for the good of her people and assumes personal responsibility for the consequences of her actions.

10:00 A.M. KID VILLAGE

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11:00 A.M. KID VILLAGE

**Stuff and Things with TJ**

*TJ Laffan* *All Welcome*

There's stuff that needs doing with things!! Meet at Kid Village Pavilion, and we'll decide what we're doing from there -- build a light installation, put together a Brushwood Bench, or maybe a Kuub tournament or Boffer Swords, who know's how our whims will go? There's things, there's stuff, let's do stuff and things!!

11:00 A.M. MAIN PAVILION

**Brushwood Family Choir**

*Jes Raymond* *All Welcome*

Singers and aspiring singers! Join singer-song writer Jes Raymond in the Brushwood Family Choir. We'll learn and rehearse a 20 minute set of music comprised of inspirational American an world music including chants, rounds, ring songs, body percussion, and multi-part harmonies. The choir will sing with Jes and members of her nationally touring band The Blackberry Bushes on Saturday night before the bonfire! Professional musical experience not required, just a positive attitude and attendance (especially for the Thursday and Friday rehearsals).

11:00 A.M.

STUDIO

## Wake and Make

Yvonne & Bronwyn Frost

All Welcome

Let's get up early every day during Sankofa to create together. This workshop is for the experienced creators to work together with their morning coffee or tea and sit and chat and possibly solve all the world's problems. All makers are welcome, however; there will be a heavy emphasis on knitting and crochet. Bronwyn can teach you how to crochet, if needed. Bring your own materials, although Bronwyn may have some extra.

11:00 A.M.

EAST MEADOW

## Activating Mandalas

Gretchen Schork

All Welcome

A mandala is a view of a whole world. It can describe what is, or what is desired. We will create a personal mandala (or use one provided), then activate its pattern to work as it is designed. This also works with any form of art or craft.

11:00 A.M.

NORTH STAGE

## A Taste of Contradancing

Thomas Crone

All Welcome

Contradance is a traditional American social dance form, descended from English Country dance, written about by Playford in the early 1600's. It is done with a live band and a 'caller', who teaches the dance, and calls the moves during the dance. I'll be using CDs and I'm not an experienced caller, but I hope to give you a feel for what the real thing is like. Bring shoes and your child self's attitude.

11:00 A.M.

SWEAT LODGE

## Sweat Information Class (Male)

Rowan Clan

Throughout history people have woven purification and other types of ritual into personal and community life. It has been a powerful part of the human experience. Our discussion will center primarily on the history, traditions, and present day uses of the Inipi Kaga Ceremony. We will also discuss guidelines for participation in the lodges this year. **You must attend this class AT LEAST 24 hours before the lodge in order to participate in that lodge.**

# Brushwood Radio

*Celebrating Community & Creativity* 90.3<sup>FM</sup>

- Festival Information • Weather
- Interviews, Music, Fun & More

1:00 P.M.

STUDIO

## A Decade of Dancing

Jasper Friend

Adult Only

Strip strip hooray. It's been a decade since I first dipped my toes into the pool of promises they call the adult entertainment industry. I'm going to share my secrets and stories with you; get an insider's peek into a world misunderstood and stereotyped by most. This workshop will be informational, a mix of personal experience and the technical side to stripping, some of my most bizarre stories. Ending with time for Q&A. 18+. Come with an open mind.

1:00 P.M.

EAST MEADOW

## Yoga Fundamentals

Majik Bingham

All Welcome

Sigh a breath of relief and relax in fundamentals yoga class. We'll be holding gentle postures for a couple breaths each to truly sink into our practice and utilize breathing. Perfect for someone new to yoga this class will move slowly between classic poses. Creating the foundation for your practice we will focus on alignment and posture getting you comfortable with each asana. Please bring a water bottle, yoga mat or towel and stretchy pants.

1:00 P.M.

NORTH PAVILION

## Stick Weaving 101

Elisheva

All Welcome

This is for people who, like me, want to to make things with yarn: belts, scarves, rugs – but need idiot proof tech. We will talk about three types of stick weaving: 1) finger weaving, 2) stick weaving with sticks in hand, and 3) stick weaving with stick loom. We will also talk about making your very own stick weaver's loom – this, too, is idiot proof! Come with yarn if you have some.

3:00 P.M.

MAIN PAVILION

## Bodies in Motion Dance Coordination

Maia Alexandra All Welcome

Do you hoop? Dance? Flow? Do Martial Arts? Mime? Juggle? Performance Art? Something else that moves you? We wanna see it! Please join us for Bodies In Motion, created by and for the Brushwood community. How beautiful we all are! Wanna perform? Please see Maia or Red Rob for details.



*See Your Illusions*

## Transformational Healing

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*Special Art Installation  
this year by Stonecarver!*

*Meet daily, 3:00 p.m. at the Maypole Stones,  
learn about the craft, and be part of the creation!*

**3:00 P.M. DAILY**

**MAYPOLE STONES**

**Carving in Place**

*James Stonecarver Metcalfe*

*All Welcome*

This will be a hands on creating of an art installation/standing stone spanning the course of Brushwood's two festival weeks. The first two to three days of Sankofa will involve placing and refining the design on the stone. After that will come the major "roughing out" of material (stone) to bring the dimension to the carving. The next stage involves the fine detail carving of the "roughed out" stone. This project is hands-on involvement. Many hands are needed.

You will be learning while doing. Goggles and masks are essential and will be provided.

**3:00 P.M.**

**NORTH PAVILION**

**The Shamans World View Part 1**

*Joy Wedmedyk*

*All Welcome*

Part 1 of a 3 part series- The Shamans World View

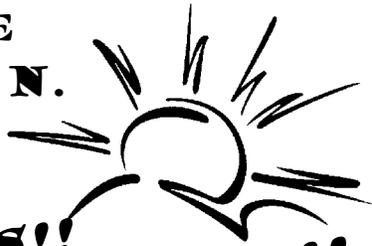
The focus of this class is to gain an understanding of Shamanism and Shamans. It will cover the role of the Shaman, the tools that they use and their relationship to the world and the worlds of the Spirits and Ancestors. We will gain an understanding of the worldview of the Shaman and learn what Shamans are striving for in their practice.

**PLEASE USE  
SUNSCREEN.**

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**IT BURNS!!  
IT BURNS!!!**

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**5:00 P.M.**

**RUNESTEAD**

**Deep Cellular Cleanse With Crystal Bowls**

*Rhiannon Rock*

*All Welcome*

2017 is the Year of Endings & Beginnings! You cannot start anew without deeply cleansing. Enjoy an Ecstatic Energetic Exchange of sound with Alajah. Reconnecting you with your \*I AM\* consciousness, it emerges and the pathways illuminate.

Weaving together the celestial sound of the crystal singing bowls, creating a luminous sonic tapestry that soothes and opens the heart, enfolding the listener into a transcendent experience of the Divine and a direct experience of the Soul.

**5:00 P.M.**

**STORYTELLING PAVILION**

**Make Your Own Faerie**

*Lady Damiana Messier*

*All Welcome*

Participants will craft their own personal faerie figures using a wide selection of materials. This is a symbol and vehicle for the often wild, whimsical, and mischievous Fae in all of us.

**8:30 P.M.**

**MAIN PAVILION**

**Movie Night**

Brushwood Sound Crew

**Fantastic Beasts  
and Where  
to Find Them**

*All Welcome*



**The Rocky  
Horror Picture  
Show**

*Adults and Teens with adults*

*Dress up encouraged.*



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11:00 a.m.	Brushwood Family Choir .....	Jes Raymond.....	Main Pavilion
11:00 a.m.	The Way of the Mask II - Shamanic Masks and Finding the Story .....	Lauren Raine .....	Studio
11:00 a.m.	Scribe's Magic.....	Gretchen Schork.....	East Meadow
11:00 a.m.	Breathe! Awakening the Flow of Qi .....	Carol Lee Callen .....	Runestead
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11:00 a.m.	Exploring Self, Moving Bio-poem .....	Luna Tuohy.....	North Stage
11:00 a.m.	☺ Kids' Glitter Meditation Bottle.....	Lilith Holmes .....	Kid Village
11:00 a.m.	Sweat Information Class (Mixed).....	Rowan Clan .....	Sweat Lodge
11:00 a.m.	Crystals 102 Part 1 .....	Gene Corn .....	Wolf Treasures Booth
1:00 p.m.	So You Think You're an Empath? .....	Starlet Lebrun.....	Studio
1:00 p.m.	How Wicca Healed My Life.....	Yvonne Frost .....	East Shire
1:00 p.m.	The "Other" Drum Circle.....	Liz Holland .....	Runestead
1:00 p.m.	Metaphors Be With You! Performing Poetry .....	Stephanie Creatrix.....	North Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	Adventures in Gardening for Pollinators .....	Firesong .....	Studio
3:00 p.m.	Bodies in Motion Dance Coordination.....	Maia Alexandra.....	Main Pavilion
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5:00 p.m.	Growing Oyster Mushrooms, Cultivation Kit.....	Anomie.....	North Pavilion
9:00 p.m.	<b>Karaoke Night .....</b>	<b>hosted by the Radio Crew .....</b>	<b>Sankofa Café</b>

## WEDNESDAY CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

9:00 A.M.

STUDIO

### Wake and Make

*Yvonne and Bronwyn Frost*

*All Welcome*

Let's get up early every day during Sankofa to create together. This workshop is for the experienced creators to work together with their morning coffee or tea and sit and chat and possibly solve all the world's problems. All makers are welcome, however; there will be a heavy emphasis on knitting and crochet. Bronwyn can teach you how to crochet, if needed. Bring your own materials, although Bronwyn may have some extra.

10:00 A.M.

KID VILLAGE

### ☺ Morning Story

*TJ Laffan*

*Children with Parent*

Kids, bring your parental units and hear some great morning stories. Parents, it's a great way to ease into the day while you enjoy some time with your child. We'll color while we listen and if the weather is nice, we'll hang the pictures on the Kid Village fence for a wonderful Sankofa Gallery until you take your creation home! Thursday and Friday, we'll add craft time as well! **Parents must stay with their children – there are no babysitting services at Kid Village and children cannot be left alone there even during workshops.**

11:00 A.M.

MAIN PAVILION

### Brushwood Family Choir

*Jes Raymond*

*All Welcome*

Singers and aspiring singers! Join singer-song writer Jes Raymond in the Brushwood Family Choir. We'll learn and rehearse a 20 minute set of music comprised of inspirational American and world music including chants, rounds, ring songs, body percussion, and multi-part harmonies. The choir will sing with Jes and members of her nationally touring band The Blackberry Bushes on Saturday night before the bonfire! Professional musical experience not required, just a positive attitude and attendance (especially for the Thursday and Friday rehearsals).

11:00 A.M.

STUDIO

### The Way of the Mask II - Shamanic Masks and Finding the Story

*Lauren Raine*

*Adult Only*

In this second part of a 3-part program on mask arts, we'll do some guided journeying to explore the "spirit of the mask", to see what story and possibilities the mask might reveal.

11:00 A.M.

EAST MEADOW

**Scribe's Magic**

Gretchen Schork

All Welcome

Scribes write. Magical Scribes write magically. They write with magical tools, creating living letter-beings. This is a cognitive magic. We finish with a meditative visualization to meet the letters as living beings.

11:00 A.M.

RUNESTEAD

**Breathe! Awakening the Flow of Qi**

Carol Lee Callen

All Welcome

Combining pranayama (yogic art of breath), qi-gong & transformational breathwork, these sessions will leave you relaxed, rejuvenated and feeling more alive. Novices will be offered simple techniques that they can practice at home to transform stress into motivation and tiredness into calm alertness as blocked energy begins to flow. More advanced students will easily experience a profound internal experience. **Special Requirements: Please bring a blanket or towel to lie on.**

11:00 A.M.

STORYTELLING

**Dancing with Archetypes and Mandalas I**

Shannon Deets

All Welcome

Participants will explore various Jungian archetypes through movement and the creation of a mandala. Shannon Deets, Ph.D. will lead participants through the basic tenets of a mindfulness practice known as dancing mindfulness. Participants will also learn about and choose an archetype they wish to explore further through dancing mindfulness. Following the dancing experience, participants will draw a personal mandala to solidify the experience. **Material Fee: \$2.00**

11:00 A.M.

NORTH STAGE

**Exploring Self, Moving Bio-poem**

Luna Tuohy

Adult Only

Movement and poetry as a therapeutic device used to increase awareness of self, and self-needs, as well as reach into environment and kinesphere. Exploration of movement, sculptured movement, and mirroring, along with exploration of thematic work and personal pathway. For adults only today, everyone is welcome on Friday. **Special Requirements: Dress for movement. Respect space, self, others, boundaries, and work together to create safe space and free, authentic exploration of movement.**

11:00 A.M.

KID VILLAGE

**☺ Kids' Glitter Meditation Bottle**

Lilith Holmes

Kid Friendly (0-12)

This workshop will show you how to make a glitter meditation bottle and show kids how to use them for meditation. **Parents must stay with their children – there are no babysitting services at Kid Village and children cannot be left alone there even during workshops. Material Fee: \$5.00**

11:00 A.M.

SWEAT LODGE

**Sweat Information Class (Mixed)**

Rowan Clan

Throughout history people have woven purification and other types of ritual into personal and community life. It has been a powerful part of the human experience. Our discussion will center primarily on the

history, traditions, and present day uses of the Inipi Kaga Ceremony. We will also discuss guidelines for participation in the lodges this year. **You must attend this class AT LEAST 24 hours before the lodge, in order to participate in that lodge.**

11:00 A.M.

WOLF TREASURES BOOTH

**Crystals 102 Part 1**

Gene Corn

All Welcome

Sacred space, Programming crystals, Intension, Grids and what they do, The earths grid and what it is.

1:00 P.M.

STUDIO

**So You Think You're an Empath?**

Starlet Lebrun

All Welcome

This workshop will identify traits of an empath and give some key tips on self-care for dealing with the world around us, including Basic Energy Management such as grounding, centering, and shielding.

1:00 P.M.

EAST SHIRE

**How Wicca Healed My Life**

Yvonne Frost

All Welcome

Yvonne talks about being a recovering Baptist and talks about her spiritual autobiography.

1:00 P.M.

RUNESTEAD

**The "Other" Drum Circle**

Liz Holland

All Welcome

No djembes allowed! Bring your drum, your shaker, your tambourine, your darbuka or other percussive instrument – but no djembes can come to this party. Learn some basic rhythms and patterns on our other rhythmic friends, and we'll compose some fun rhythms together. Some instruments will be available to borrow, all levels welcome.

1:00 P.M.

NORTH PAVILION

**Metaphors Be With You! Performing Poetry**

Stephanie Creatrix

All Welcome

Well before the invention of writing, poetry was an oral tradition. Any style of writing can be performed to engage an audience in new ways. We'll work on delivery, use of space and props, ways to adapt different styles of poetry, and consider different ways to get more art out there. Bring comfortable shoes, something to write with, something to write on, and a few short poems (original works are useful but not required).

3:00 P.M.

STUDIO

**Adventures in Gardening for Pollinators**

Firesong

All Welcome

The insects and birds who pollinate our plants are threatened by habitat loss. Here we will learn how to turn our gardens, however large or small, into friendly places for bees, butterflies, and other creatures who help the cycles of plants. We will discuss different plants for various pollinators, as well as soil and light requirements and how to work with the space you have to choose appropriate plants. **Donations for handouts appreciated. Notepaper helpful.**

**3:00 P.M.**  
**MAIN PAVILION**  
***Bodies in Motion***  
***Dance Coordination***  
*Maia Alexandra All Welcome*

Do you hoop? Dance? Flow? Do Martial Arts? Mime? Juggle? Performance Art? Something else that moves you? We wanna see it! Please join us for Bodies In Motion, created by and for the Brushwood community. How beautiful we all are!  
 Wanna perform? Please see Maia or Red Rob for details.

**3:00 P.M.**  
**ROUNDHOUSE**  
***Coordination and Planning for***  
***Fire Spinners Showcase***  
*Fuego and Zimra All Welcome*

This is a planning and coordinating workshop for Saturday's Fire Spinner Showcase! We will review fire safety, create a theme, discuss music, and work out a tentative set list for the showcase! ALL ARE WELCOME. Even if you are new to fire spinning, we can work with you! THIS IS MANDATORY FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN PERFORMING. If you have a conflict, you must see Fuego BEFORE the workshop. Sobriety is mandatory for participation. No Exceptions.

**3:00 P.M.** **EAST SHIRE**

**Paganism and Christianity**  
*Skip Clark All Welcome*

At the beginning of the Common Era, Christians and 'pagans' lived side by side, and they all shared some similar and some very different beliefs and experiences. How did they interact and how did paganism fare after Christianity became the chief religion in the later Roman Empire? Who were these pagans? Come and find out.

**3:00 P.M. DAILY** **MAYPOLE STONES**

**Carving in Place**  
*James Stonecarver Metcalfe All Welcome*

See details, page 10

**3:00 P.M.** **STORYTELLING PAVILION**

**🌀 Animal Spirits and Totem Animals**  
*Seeker Teens (13 - 17)*

What is the difference between your pet and your totem? How do you discover your totem? What does it symbolize? Feel free to share your stories and symbols of your totems.

**5:00 P.M.** **STUDIO**

**🌀 Teen MOVIE Night**  
*Dina Rivera Teens (13-17)*

I'm going to have a variety of movies to pick from, which the teens will watch the movie of their choosing for the evening. Participants can bring a snack to share or give a donation toward snacks.

**3:00 P.M.** **NORTH STAGE**

**West African Spirituality and Djembe Drumming Workshop Drum**  
*Jamie Kubala All Welcome*

Through drumming and movement, we will explore the ancient West African trinity of the Creator, Humankind and Nature. The spirituality and rhythms to be explored are based upon the teachings of Baba Olatunji, the drummer who introduced the djembe culture to America in the 1950's and helped create the drum circles and World Music we know today. Bring any drum you have. User-friendly handouts of simple, authentic African rhythms will be provided.

**5:00 P.M.** **NORTH PAVILION**

**Growing Oyster Mushrooms, Cultivation Kit**  
*Anomie All Welcome*

Oyster mushrooms are easy to grow at home! Learn the simple steps and later watch your "science experiment" produce oyster mushrooms that you can cook up and eat. An educational experience for kids and adults alike. Watch them grow. I will provide a kit (for \$5 if you want it!) and show you how to start the magic. No need for fancy equipment or sterile workspace. **Material Fee: \$5.00**

**3:00 P.M.** **SWEAT LODGE**

**Male Sweat Lodge: Inipi Kaga Ceremony**  
*Rowan Clan*

The Inipi is a sacred ritual, often referred to as the Sweat Lodge. The traditional Inipi Kaga Ceremony comes from the Sioux Nation. **You MUST attend the Sweat Lodge Information Class 24 hours before the Lodge that you wish to attend. Prior to attending a lodge one must be free of alcohol or drugs for at least 24 hours and have a covering for the body (shorts, sarong, etc).**

**9:00 P.M.**  
**SANKOFA CAFÉ**  
***Karaoke Night***  
*hosted by the Brushwood Radio Crew*  
 Back by popular demand. Join the fun.







3:00 P.M.

NORTH PAVILION

## Shamans and the Natural World, Part 2

Joy Wedmedyk

Adult Only

Part 2 – The Shaman and Relationships

This class focuses on the ability of the Shaman to form working relationships with the spirits of nature. Through guided mediation and personal spirit walks, we will work on establishing communication with our own Shamanic allies and with the allies of the natural world. Bring a pen and paper if possible.

3:00 P.M.

ROUNDHOUSE

## Coordination and Planning for Fire Spinners Showcase

Fuego and Zimra All Welcome

This workshop will focus on the choreography for the Fire Spinners Showcase. This will be an opportunity for group performances to get assistance and feedback on their performance. We will also be working out the big group finale for Saturday's show. THIS IS MANDATORY FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN PERFORMING. If you have a conflict, you must see Fuego BEFORE the workshop. Sobriety is mandatory for participation. No Exceptions. Fuego IS the fun-killer.

3:00 P.M.

SWEAT LODGE

## Mixed Sweat Lodge: Inipi Kaga Ceremony

Rowan Clan

All Welcome

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3:00 P.M. DAILY

MAYPOLE STONES

## Carving in Place

James Stonecarver Metcalfe

All Welcome

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*Hoopy Froods  
always know  
where their towel's at*



## Visit the Vendors!



*Find the special item you wish you'd never been without*

5:00 P.M.

RUNESTEAD

## Crystalline Activation Ceremony

Rhiannon Rock

All Welcome

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5:00 P.M.

STORYTELLING PAVILION

## Faerie Houses I

Lady Damiana Messier

All Welcome

In these two craft workshops participants will construct a basic Faerie house (Faerie Houses I), and then explore materials and techniques to decorate and landscape the basic structure (Faerie Houses II).

5:00 P.M.

NORTH STAGE

## Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu - Class #1

Dragon Chertoff

All Welcome

What is Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu (5 Minutes); **1** - Warm-up Exercises (20 minutes); **2** - Universal Form (Stretch/Flow) (20 Minutes); **3** - How to Form a Fist and Knife Hand (5 Minutes); **4** - Punching in Horse Stance: Lunar Punch, Square Punch, & Reverse Punch (20 Minutes); **5** - Blocking Drill (Six Open Hand) (20 Minutes)

9:00 P.M.

MAIN PAVILION

## The Spoken Word

All Welcome

Open mic night for storytellers and poets. Tell your own story or poem or read a classic.

## Rhiannon's Lark

Alyssa Yeager

Rhiannon's Lark, she brings fantasy, morality, and T-rexes together into a show that will comfort your ears, get you laughing, and make you question the way you see the world.



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11:00 a.m.	☺🌀 Exploring Self, Moving Bio-Poem for Everyone for Kids & Teens... Luna Tuohy.....		North Stage
11:00 a.m.	🌀 Board Games and Other Games .....	Lilith Holmes .....	Kid Village
11:00 a.m.	Crystals 102 Part 2 .....	Gene Corn .....	Wolf Treasures Booth
1:00 p.m.	Meditative Painting .....	Starlet Lebrun .....	Studio
1:00 p.m.	Wicca for Crones .....	Yvonne Frost .....	East Shire
1:00 p.m.	Women's Drum Circle .....	Liz Holland .....	Runestead
1:00 p.m.	Taking a (Safe, Sane, Consensual) Walk on the Wild Side.....	Stephanie Creatrix.....	North Pavilion
3:00 p.m.	Toxin, Magic, Medicine: Don't Eat That!: Poisonous Plants.....	Firesong .....	Studio
3:00 p.m.	Astrology and Mythology: Or Why Does My Sign Mean This?.....	Skip Clark.....	East Shire
3:00 p.m.	☺ Sing-A-Long Karaoke for Children.....	Seeker.....	Storytelling Pavilion
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5:00 p.m.	🌀 GAME Night.....	Dina Rivera.....	Studio
5:00 p.m.	Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu - Class #2 .....	Dragon Chertoff.....	North Stage
5:00 p.m.	Wild Mushrooms "What is it? Can I Eat It?" .....	Anomie.....	North Pavilion
<b>9:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Bodies In Motion: Community Open Performance Night .....</b>	<b>Maia and Red Rob .....</b>	<b>Main Pavilion</b>
	<b>Gypsy Funk Squad.....</b>		<b>Main Pavilion</b>

**FRIDAY CLASS DESCRIPTIONS**

**9:00 A.M.** **STUDIO**

**Wake and Make**

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**10:00 A.M.** **KID VILLAGE**

☺ **Morning Story and Crafts**

*TJ & Cynthia Laffan* *Children with Parent*  
 Kids, bring your parental units and hear some great morning stories before craft time. Parents, it's a great way to ease into the day while you enjoy some time with your child. We'll color while we listen and if the weather is nice, we'll hang the pictures on the Kid Village fence

for a wonderful Sankofa Gallery until you take your creation home! Then, we'll pull out the markers, paint, paper, feathers, and glitter, glitter, glitter. Come on, kids, have your parents help you create something cool! **Parents must stay with their children – there are no babysitting services at Kid Village and children cannot be left alone there even during workshops.**

**11:00 A.M.** **MAIN PAVILION**

**Brushwood Family Choir**

*Jes Raymond* *All Welcome*  
 Singers and aspiring singers! Join singer-song writer Jes Raymond in the Brushwood Family Choir. We'll learn and rehearse a 20 minute set of music comprised of inspirational American and world music including chants, rounds, ring songs, body percussion, and multi-part harmonies. The choir will sing with Jes and members of her nationally touring band The Blackberry Bushes on Saturday night before the bonfire! Professional musical experience not required, just a positive attitude and attendance (especially for the Thursday and Friday rehearsals).

# Forget Something? Batteries dead?



*Check out the Brushwood Store*

11:00 A.M.

STUDIO

## The Way of the Mask III - Masks, Ritual & Theatre

Lauren Raine

Adult Only

In the third part of this 3-part workshop we'll talk about how masks can be used to create personal and community based ritual theatre. We'll explore modalities for ritual in both traditional and contemporary settings, and how you can take this information home to create your own "mask theatre".

11:00 A.M.

RUNESTEAD

## Breathe! Awakening the Flow of Qi

Carol Lee Callen

All Welcome

Combining pranayama (yogic art of breath), qi-gong and transformational breathwork, these sessions will leave you relaxed, rejuvenated and feeling more alive. Novices will be offered simple techniques that they can practice at home to transform stress into motivation and tiredness into calm alertness as blocked energy begins to flow. More advanced students will easily experience a profound internal experience.

11:00 A.M.

STORYTELLING PAVILION

## Dancing with Archetypes and Mandalas II

Shannon Deets

All Welcome

Participants from the first "Dancing with Archetypes and Mandalas" workshop will be asked to deepen their understanding of Jungian concepts and their mandala. They should bring their original mandala with them to this workshop. Newcomers are welcome also! In this workshop we will explore how these archetypes reflect back to the idealized and whole self as conceptualized by Jung. It is hoped through this increased understanding that participants will find better balance in their life. **Material Fee: \$2.00**

11:00 A.M.

NORTH STAGE

## ☺ ☸ Exploring Self, Moving Bio-Poem for Children and Teens

Luna Tuohy

Kid Friendly (0-12), Teens (13-17)

Movement and poetry as a therapeutic device used to increase awareness of self, and self-needs, as well as reach into environment and kinesphere. Exploration of movement, sculptured movement, and mirroring, along with exploration of thematic work and personal pathway. Play rhythm music included. **A parent or responsible adult should be with their child(ren) attending workshops,**

11:00 A.M.

KID VILLAGE

## ☺ Board Games and Other Games

Lilith Holmes

Kid Friendly (0-12)

This workshop will be a fun experience and allow you to let loose and have fun with other kids. Teens welcome. A variety of games

will be provided. **Parents must stay with their children – there are no babysitting services at Kid Village and children cannot be left alone there even during workshops.**

11:00 A.M.

WOLF TREASURES BOOTH

## Crystals 102 Part 2

Gene Corn

All Welcome

Review basics of crystals 102 part 2; Make your own grids and layouts with stones; Bring blanket or towel to lay on for grid work; Explain purpose of grid and explain stones you used.

1:00 P.M.

STUDIO

## Meditative Painting

Starlet Lebrun

All Welcome

Sometimes you need to get out of your head and paint. This workshop will begin with a gentle meditation to lead you down into a relaxed and creative trance state, where you will then be open to creative works of inner art.

1:00 P.M.

EAST SHIRE

## Wicca for Crones

Yvonne Frost

All Welcome

Yvonne has as much experience as just about anyone in the Crone stage of Wicca. She has strong aging and end of life advice to give. Remember, end of life laws may vary by state

1:00 P.M.

RUNESTEAD

## Women's Drum Circle

Liz Holland

All Welcome

Sacred women's drumming spans to ancient times, when women were the first drummers, the leaders or spiritual ceremonies. We'll



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**Open 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**Serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily.  
Dinner Specials!**

**Snacks also available at  
the Brushwood Store**



5:00 P.M.

STUDIO

**⚙️ GAME Night**

*Dina Rivera*

*Teens (13-17)*

I'm going to have a variety of games to pick from, which the teens will be able to play one or more of their choosing for the evening. Participants can bring a snack to share or give a donation toward snacks.

5:00 P.M.

NORTH STAGE

**Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu - Class #2**

*Dragon Chertoff*

1. Warm-up Exercises (20 minutes);
2. Animal Hand Positions (10 Minutes);
3. Universal Form (Stretch/Animal) (20minutes);
4. Shaolin 7 Postures from praying position (20 Minutes);
5. On Guard Stance & Walking Drill (lead speed strike/reverse punch) (10 Minutes);
6. Punching Drill (10 types of punches) (10 Minutes)

5:00 P.M.

NORTH PAVILION

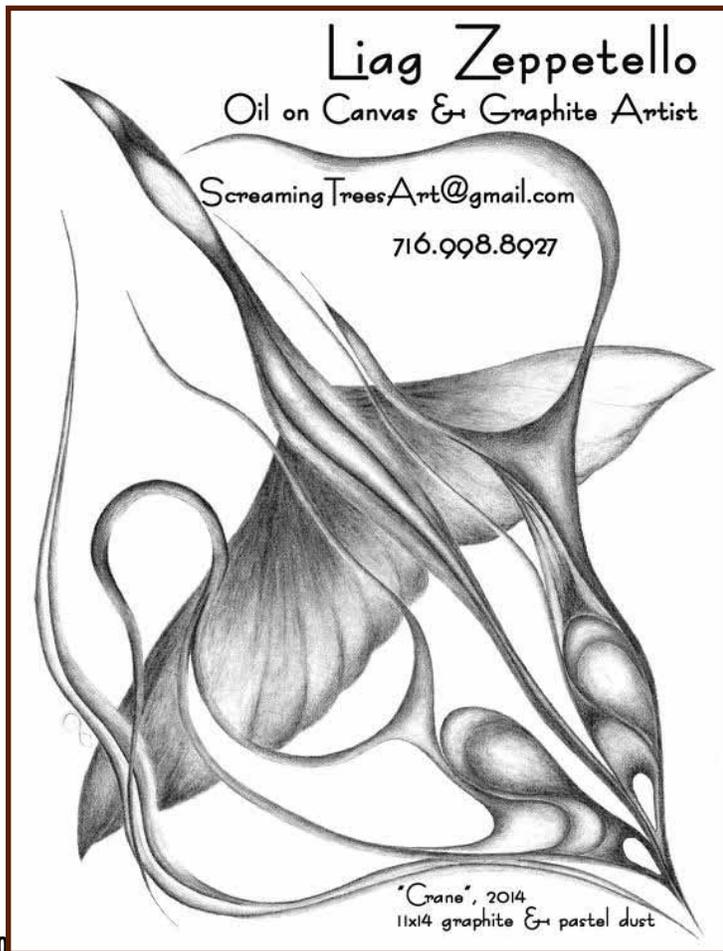
**Wild Mushrooms**

“What Is It? Can I Eat It?”

*Anomie*

*All Welcome*

We will start with the basics of how to ID wild mushrooms! Gills, ridges, tubes or pores? Color of spore print? Know what to look for to identify your finds. SAFETY issues. There are only a few edible mushrooms that beginners know enough to eat after they have identified them with a picture. Where did you find it? What time of year? Edible or dangerous look-a-like. Know the deadly poison ones to be safe.



9:00 P.M.  
MAIN PAVILION

**Bodies In Motion:  
Community  
Open Dance  
Performance**

*Hosted by Maia Alexandra  
and Red Rob*

Come cheer on your fellow Brushwoodians as they perform on our stage!



**Gypsy Funk Squad**

Gypsy Funk Squad plays a fusion of classic belly dance songs from Turkey, Armenia, Egypt, The Balkans, Israel, Lebanon, with a few revamped rock/pop/dance tunes and psychedelic surprises thrown in... belly style! We almost always have a belly dancer or two performing with us!







# Brushwood Radio

*Celebrating Community & Creativity* **90.3 FM**

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and costuming has lead me to many varieties of fictional faces. I will share tricks and tips and ways to prime. Each participant will go home with a starter kit. This workshop is for all genders. come with a clean face.

**1:00 P.M.** **EAST MEADOW**

## **Partner Yoga**

*Majik Bingham*

*All Welcome*

Connect with a partner as you flow through your practice facilitating trust, communication and play. This is a beginner class that encourages students to push their boundaries as we lean, stretch and hold space one another. Prepare to build confidence, strength, & connection as both your body & mind become more flexible! Please bring a water bottle, yoga mat or towel, stretchy pants and a friend or loved one.

**1:00 P.M.** **NORTH PAVILION**

## **Meditation 101**

*Elisheva*

*All Welcome*

This workshop is for all levels of experience. Every teacher, guru, shaman and whatnot, tells something different about what meditation is, what it is for and how to meditate. In this workshop I will talk about what meditation is, and some of the many basic techniques that can be used by everybody-experienced or not-. I will also try to debunk some of the more common misconceptions that circulate on the topic. Come ready with questions.

**3:00 P.M.** **NORTH PAVILION**

## **The Shaman and Journey Work Part 3**

*Joy Wedmedyk*

*Adult Only*

This class focuses on the skills of the Shaman to see their own shamanic body and journey to the other worlds to receive information and facilitate healing for themselves and their clients. To develop these skills, journeywork and meditation will be done during the class. Please bring a blanket and something to cover your eyes.

**3:00 P.M. DAILY** **MAYPOLE STONES**

## **Carving in Place**

*James Stonecarver Metcalfe*

*All Welcome*

This will be a hands on creating of an art installation/standing stone spanning the course of Brushwood's two festival weeks. By this time we should be deep in the major "roughing out" of material (stone) to bring the dimension to the carving. The next stage involves the fine detail carving of the "roughed out" stone. This project is hands-on involvement. Many hands are needed. You will be learning while doing. Goggles and masks are essential and will be provided.

**5:00 P.M.** **RUNESTEAD**

## **Deep Cellular Cleanse With Crystal Bowls**

*Rhiannon Rock*

*All Welcome*

2017 is the Year of Endings & Beginnings! You can not start anew without deeply cleansing. Enjoy an ecstatic energetic exchange of sound with Alajah. Reconnecting you with your \*I AM\* consciousness, it emerges and the pathways illuminate. Weaving together the celestial sound of the crystal singing bowls, creating a luminous sonic tapestry that soothes and opens the heart, enfolding the listener into a transcendent experience of the Divine and a direct experience of the Soul.

5:00 P.M.

STORYTELLING

### Faerie Houses II

*Lady Damiana Messier*

*All Welcome*

In these two craft workshops participants will construct a basic Faerie house (Faerie Houses I), and then explore materials and techniques to decorate and landscape the basic structure (Faerie Houses II).

5:00 P.M.

NORTH STAGE

### Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu - Class #3

*Dragon Chertoff*

*All Welcome*

1 - Warm-up Exercises (20 minutes); 2 - Universal Form (Stretch/Dynamic Tension Tiger) (20 Minutes); 3 - Shaolin 10 Postures (30 Minutes); 4 - Two Man Sensitivity Drills (20 Minutes)



Your parents wanted us to tell you:  
**Remember to hydrate!**  
**Use sun screen!**  
**Get some rest!**

8:30 P.M.

MAIN PAVILION

### Saturday Extravaganza

#### Brushwood Family Choir

with Jes Raymond and the Blackberry Bushes



#### Fire Spinning Showcase

*Well Seasoned Fire*  
Fire Spinning Show and Procession to the Sankofa Fire



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Sankofa Fire



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## Play Together

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

### ALEXANDRA, MAIA and RED ROB

Maia Alexandra is a professional Bellydancer and Fire Entertainer based in Buffalo, New York. A veteran performer, her musicality, sass, and enchanting unusual style is beloved by audiences everywhere she entertains. Teaching dance since 1995, Maia understands that every student learns differently. She uses multiple techniques in effort to teach you as completely as possible! Maia Alexandra is a big believer in the power of breath and love in the creation of outstanding soulful dancing.

Workshops: Bodies in Motion Dance Coordination - Day/Time: TUE, WED, THU at 3:00 p.m.

Show: Bodies in Motion: Community Open Dance Performance Night FRI at 9:00 pm

### ANOMIE

Anomie has been a Seasonal camper at Brushwood forever and has been interested in wild mushrooms for many years. She is very lucky to have the Western Pennsylvania Mushroom Club to learn most of the common wild mushrooms. Each year the club has a class on mushroom cultivation. It is so much fun, she wants to share. Last year she offered a class on making cordials and all left with grins on their faces! Workshops: Cordial Making, Growing Oyster Mushrooms, Cultivation Kit, Wild Mushrooms "What is it? Can I Eat It?"

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 5:00 p.m.

### BINGHAM, CHRISSIE "Majik"

Chrissie's teaching style stems from a background in performance art and psychology. Her mission is to bring yoga to the people, and specializes in teaching those who would normally shy away from yoga. Yoga is for everybody, no matter what shape, size or ability. Without being too dogmatic, Chrissie prides herself as an approachable teacher, encouraging students to smile and laugh in class.

Workshops: Yoga Fundamentals, Vinyasa Flow, Partner Yoga

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 1:00 p.m.

### BRUSHWOOD SOUND CREW

Workshops: Movie Night TUE at 8:30 p.m.

Spoken Word THU at 9:00 p.m.

### CALLEN, CAROL LEE

Carol Lee Callen, D.O.M., is a practitioner of oriental medicine and acupuncture in Santa Fe, N.M. She is a hatha yoga instructor in the Temple of Kriya Yoga in Chicago Il, a transformational breathwork facilitator and a certified psychic medium in both the Trilogy Institute and the Church of the Living Spirit in Lily Dale, N.Y. She has been teaching intuitive, energetic and healing arts in the Brushwood community for 20 years.

Workshops: Introduction to Chinese Tongue and Pulse Diagnosis, Breathe! Awaken the Flow of Qi, Breathe! Awaken the Flow of Qi  
Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 11:00 a.m.

### CASWELL, SANDY

Sandy Caswell's study and practice of magick and metaphysics has been an ongoing and diverse 40-year journey. She is a graduate of the State University of New York and the One Voice School of Interfaith Ministry, is a legally ordained Minister, a thrice ordained Priestess and has been adopted into the clan of Welsh Wise Women. In 1999, Sandy incorporated Willow Grove, the first Pagan Church of Rochester, New

York. They hosted the first Pagan Pride Celebration ever held in New York State. Sandy lives on the road (look for her big yellow truck at the Story Telling Pavilion), offering readings and services privately, at home parties, in academic and corporate settings; and she teaches exciting, empowering classes.

Workshops: Women, Granny Women & Granny Witches, Granny's Herbal Medicines and Magick, Granny's Charms and Spells

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 9:00 a.m.

### CHERTOFF, DRAGON

Sifu Adam Chertoff has 20+ years experience teaching and 30+ years study in the intricacies and aesthetics of Kung Fu which include: Mastery of Universal, Shaolin Ten Postures, Stone Fist, Yin Yang, Tiger, Leopard, Crane, Snake, and Dragon forms of Tan's Dazzling Hands Kung Fu (both long and short animal forms). Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu forms, practical modern fighting applications, promote health, and reduce stress.

Workshops: Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu - Class #1, Shaolin Five Animal Kung Fu - Class #2, Shaolin Five Animal Fung Fu - Class #3

Day/Time: THU, FRI SAT at 5:00 p.m.

### CLARK, SKIP

Dr. Skip Clark has a Ph.D. in Medieval History and has taught medieval and early modern history and the history of Witchcraft at the university level for over 30 years. He also has published in the areas of astrology and medicine and has been a regular presenter at Brushwood festivals since its beginning.

Workshops: What's New in Witchcraft Studies 2017, Paganism and Christianity, Astrology and Mythology: Or Why Does My Sign Mean This?

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 3:00 p.m.

### CORN, GENE

Gene Corn/Wolf Treasures has been collecting rocks and gems since he was young boy and now carry them throughout the nation sharing his knowledge and major collection of stone, gems, and minerals. He brings this 30 year old wisdom to his classes and booths these last 15 years at Brushwood Folklore.

Workshops: Crystal 101, Crystals 102 part 1, Crystals 102 part 2

Day/Time: MON, WED, FRI at 11:00 a.m.

### CREATRIX, STEPHANIE

A gender-fluid, polyamorous power-witch, Stephanie is presenting for the second time at Sankofa. With ten years of college, two degrees, and years of teaching language arts to diverse students, she is eager to be back sharing her experiences with others. Founder of the Erie Next Generation group, she can be identified by her melodious laugh and mermaid hair. Feel free to distract her from whatever book she has her nose buried in this time.

Workshops: M/F/other: The Gender Spectrum, Metaphors Be With You! Performing Poetry, Taking a (Safe Sane Consensual) Walk on the Wild Side

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 1:00 p.m.

### CRONE, THOMAS

Tom Crone has been fighting invasive plants since the 1970's, after two of them were planted on the family farm by the state of Maryland with the USDA's encouragement. He has been coordinating the invasive plant removal at Greenbelt National Park in Maryland for about 10 years. He has been doing contradance and English country

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

dance since about 1987, for many years averaging about 3 times a week, plus dance camps.

Workshops: A Taste of Contradancing, Plant Removal 1, Invasive Plant Removal 2

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 11:00 a.m.

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### DEETS, SHANNON

Shannon Deets, Ph.D., an assistant professor of psychology at Thiel College in Greenville, PA, is also a licensed professional counselor who maintains a private practice in Meadville, Pa. Shannon's experience includes teaching courses such as dancing mindfulness and depth psychology as well as researching how dance alters one's consciousness. Ever the pragmatist, Shannon applies her knowledge to practical applications of well-being for those seeking relief from various diagnoses and those looking for greater spiritual growth.

Workshops: Building a Community of Support Within a World of Division, Dancing with Archetypes and Mandalas I, Dancing with Archetypes and Mandalas II

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 11:00 a.m.

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### ELISHEVA

EliSheva is from Galilee, and served in her country's Security Forces; retired; ran an international business, retired; and recently retired from a private psychotherapy practice. She works as a spiritual mentor and consultant and practices several crafts, including writing. She is elected leader of Am Ha Aretz (Primitive Hebrew Assembly) an Israeli Earth based Tradition. She only teaches topics she has immersed herself in for years and loves to share what she has learned.

Workshops: Stick Weaving 101, Making a Portable Altar, Meditation 101

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 1:00 p.m.

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### FIRESONG

Firesong (Eshu Akoni) is a priestess and Pathway initiate at the Universal Temple of Spirits, a Global Spirits Pluralistic Trance Possession Temple. Called the "human iPod", she is a traditional song mistress as well and a professional teacher, artist, and an herbalist. Her garden is one of the most diverse gardens in the U.S. Firesong conducts chant sessions, Global Spirits services, women's rituals, and pours for the Starry Night Sweat Circle. Workshops: Medicinal Food Herbs; Adventures in Gardening for Pollinators; Toxin, Magic, Medicine: Don't Eat That! Poisonous Plants

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 3:00 p.m.

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### FRIEND, JASPER

Jasper is a Brushwood baby. Growing up at Brushwood she has been shaped by community and creativity. She is a certified partner acrobatic teacher as well as professional acrobat and pole dancer. She has gained knowledge of costuming and makeup design through performance and theater. She is also a lover of tea, for passion and practicality. She is on the trail to pursuing an education in tea and herbal medicine.

Workshops: A Decade of Dancing, Tea Time, All That Glitters Is GOALS

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 1:00 p.m.

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### FROST, YVONNE & BRONWYN

Yvonne, along with her late husband Gavin, wrote over 30 books published in five languages, and were always at the cutting edge of Wiccan spirituality, philosophy, and magic. The Church and School of Wicca, founded in 1968, was the first to articulate Wicca as an alternative spiritual path. The Church of Wicca is the only Wiccan

church that is a religious association recognized by a federal appeals court, has helped the IRS write guidelines to recognize a church and is referenced in the Federal Register. The School of Wicca has taught more than 60,000, spreading Wiccan spirituality throughout the world. Bronwyn has taught and organized children's workshops at festivals for nearly 20 years as well as teaching in the public school system for nearly a decade. She, as well as having a thorough alternative background, also has a wealth of experience working in a variety of learning situations.

Workshops: Wake and Make,

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 11:00 a.m., WED FRI at 9:00 a.m.

Workshops: How Wicca Healed My Life, Wicca for Cronos

Day/Time: WED & FRI at 1:00 p.m.

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### FUEGO

Fuego hails from Buffalo, NY, where she performs with and is chief safety officer for Pyromancy, Buffalo's premiere fire performance troupe. When she isn't burning things, Fuego passes time as the crazy cat lady, and working to smash the fascists.

Workshops: Coordination and Planning for Fire Spinners Showcase, Fire Spinner Showcase Choreography Intensive, Fire Spinners Dress Rehearsal (Show on Saturday Night)

Day/Time: WED, THU, FRI at 3:00 p.m.

Show: Saturday Extravaganza

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### GYPSY FUNK SQUAD

Gypsy Funk Squad plays a fusion of classic belly dance songs from Turkey, Armenia, Egypt, The Balkans, Israel, Lebanon, with a few revamped rock/pop/dance tunes and psychedelic surprises thrown in...belly style! We almost always have a belly dancer or two performing with us! World music.

Day/Time: FRI at 9:30 p.m.

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### HOLLAND, LIZ

A percussionist for her entire life, Liz Holland holds a Master of Music Performance in Percussion. She has been featured in Drum! Magazine and Modern Drummer and has performed in spaces around the country from Lincoln Center to CBGBs and beyond. An in-demand sound healer, her full immersion gong baths typically sell out weeks in advance.

Workshops: Full Immersion Gong Bath, The "Other" Drum Circle, Women's Drum Circle

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 1:00 p.m.

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### HOLMES, LILITH

Lilith Holmes is 16 and a teen mentor and tutor. She would like to share the special skills she has acquired with others, whether its swimming, practicing karate, tutoring students or teaching. She loves to help people.

Workshops: Dream Catcher, Kids Glitter Meditation Bottle, Board Games and Other Games

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 11:00 a.m.

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### KUBALA, JAMIE

Jamie Kubala has been a public school art teacher for 29 years. His whole life has been spent exploring the creative/spiritual connection. He has taught various workshops at Brushwood for the past decade and a half, and believes in everyone's ability to seek a higher

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

consciousness through art, music, words and movement.

Workshops: New Spices to Add to the Drum Circle Stew, West African Spirituality and Djembe Drumming Workshop Drum, West African Spirituality and Djembe Drumming Workshop Drum

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 3:00 p.m.

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### **LAFFAN, CYNTHIA and TJ**

Cynthia and TJ have been artists of a wide variety of genre all their lives, first separately, then together. Cindy is a professional graphic designer and fine artist in a variety of media. TJ has worked in theater and television, and woodworking is a regular passion. They have worked hard to learn what they know and now to pass it on to others. During Sankofa and Sirius Rising they present programming for children and youth, and facilitate a Kid's Fest in August at Brushwood. Want to get involved? Let them know!

M - F Kid Village at 10:00 a.m. – Morning Story

TUE Kid Village at 11:00 a.m. – Stuff and Things

THU, FRI Kid Village at 10:00 a.m. – Morning Story and Craft

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### **LEBRUN, STARLET**

Starlet, a Reiki Master and Hypnosis practitioner, has several degrees and certificates. She believes in utilizing the Mind, Body, and Spirit to facilitate healing and change. She is a spiritual healer and believes that healing can be achieved by uniting the Mind, Body, and Spirit to create lasting changes. She uses combinations of Reiki, Hypnosis, Psychic perception and more to help facilitate healing and change.

Workshops: Quick Start Intuitive Tarot, So You Think You're an Empath?, Meditative Painting

Day/Time: MON, WED, FRI at 1:00 p.m.

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### **MESSIER, LADY DAMIANA**

Claudia Messier, B.A., is a long-time denizen of Brushwood. A compulsive crafter and witch for 50 years, she enjoys sharing her creativity, inspiration, and insight whenever possible.

Workshops: Make Your Own Faerie, Faerie Houses I, Faerie Houses II

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 5:00 p.m.

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### **METCALFE, JAMES STONECARVER**

Stonecarver has been a metaphysical stone carver for over 30 years blending his art and expression with his beliefs to create tools and works to enhance both personal and religious experience.

This year Stonecarver is carving a stone in the Maypole Stones -- be part of the creation of a lasting culture by this Master Craftsman

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### **OWEN, LISA**

Lisa, a Visionary Psychic Artist, has been studying the Metaphysical and the Healing Arts since 1988, with special attention to women's issues and shamanism. Lisa earned a BA degree with focus on Women Spirituality Studies and Cultural Diversity and carries learning experiences from elders of Native American tribes, European traditions, Wise Women and Afro Cuban religions.

Workshops: Spirit Collage, Land Spirits and Nature Spirits, Dream Work: Reveal the Wisdom Within You

Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 9:00 a.m.

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### **RAINE, LAUREN**

Inspired by Balinese Temple masks, Lauren Raine, MFA, created 40 multi-cultural "Masks of the Goddess" devoted to the feminine faces

of Deity. The collection travelled throughout the U.S. for over 20 years. In 2009 she was Resident Artist at the Henry Luce III Center for the Arts and Religion, and in 2015 her masks were at the Parliament of World Religions with Macha Nightmare. In 2017 she will teach at Peters Valley Craft Center.

Workshops: The Way of the Mask I - The Art and Craft of Masks, The Way of the Mask II - Shamanic Masks and Finding the Story, The Way of the Mask III - Masks, Ritual & Theatre

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 11:00 a.m.

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### **RAYMOND, JES and the Blackberry Bushes**

An award-winning bluegrass & Americana band that is in moments haunting and in others: an all out revival. With a rotating cast-of-believers, Jes Raymond and Jakob Breitbach simultaneously honor the genius of tradition and innovation. Skillful flatpicking interlocks soundscapes with virtuosic fiddle chops, improvisation and top-shelf songwriting.

Workshops: Brushwood Family Choir Rehearsal and Show

Daily rehearsal at 11:00 a.m.

Show SAT at 8:30 p.m. Raymond, Jes

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### **RIVERA, DINA**

Dina's first passion is art, which she has been doing ever since she could hold up a pencil. But how do you share something so profound with others, so they can see just how amazing it is? Education. Dina adopted her own tag line: "Awaken the Knowledge Within" and began a new career in art education. Now, she has been teaching for over a decade. Dina is a New York State Certified Public School Teacher.

Workshops: Brushwood Tattoo Scavenger Hunt Selfie Contest, MOVIE Night, GAME Night

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 5:00 p.m.

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## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

### ROCK, RHIANNON

Rhiannon ~Alajah~ is actively dedicated to the Consciousness Evolution of the Planet. Rising in Love and BEing in a constant state of gratitude, she creates and re-activates multifaceted, multidimensional grids with crystals, light, sound (crystal & alchemy bowls) and sacred geometry. BEing a Luminescent Vibrational Alchemist, she believes music is a blessing, a prayer and a healing when it comes deeply from the heart.

Workshops: Deep Cellular Cleanse With Crystal Bowls, Crystalline Activation Ceremony, Deep Cellular Cleanse With Crystal Bowls  
Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 5:00 p.m.

### ROWAN CLAN

While living on Lake Traverse Dakota Sioux Reservation in South Dakota for five years, Gene and Linda Rowan were fortunate to meet Ervin Cook, a full-blooded Sioux willing to teach about his culture, spirituality, and the Sweat Lodge. They began facilitating Sweat Lodges at Brushwood over 15 years ago. Those that gathered to help and learn gradually became like family and thus became members of the Rowan Clan; an ever evolving family. Facilitating a Sweat Lodge entails an apprenticeship that involves a strong commitment. Apprentices learn the history and spirituality connected with the Lodge, how to gather the stones and build a fire, and how to build the lodge, all in a sacred way. They learn traditional lodge songs both in English and some of them in the Dakota language, taught by Gene.

Workshops: Male Information Class, Mixed Information Class, Female Information Class - Day/Time: TUE, WED, THU, at 11:00 a.m.

Workshops: Sweat Lodge: Inipi Kaga Ceremony - Day/Time: WED (Male), THU (Mixed), FRI (Woman) at 3:00 p.m.

### SCHORK, GRETCHEN

Rev. Gretchen A.L. Schork has been a magician since 1980, a scribe since 1970, and a teacher in the occult since 1990. She has written many books on magical topics, especially on runes, calligraphy, Qabalah, labyrinths, and many other topics. She is currently writing a description of the American English Magic system.

Workshops: Interlace Meditation, Activating Mandalas, Scribe's Magic - Day/Time: MON, TUE, WED at 11:00 a.m.

### SEEKER

Over 30 years experience with Native American culture has prepared Seeker to share his knowledge of the Indians, both historically and spiritually with adults and children at festivals, libraries, museums and community events.

Workshops: Storytelling and Pictographs (Teens and Elders), Animal Spirits and Totem Animals (Teen friendly), Sing-A-Long Karaoke for Children

Day/Time: MON, WED FRI at 3:00 p.m.

### TAZ and the SOUND CREW

Workshops: Sign Up for the The Spoken Word - Day/Time: THU at 1:00 p.m.

Show: The Spoken Word - Day/Time: THU at 9:00 p.m.

### TUOHY, AMANDA "Luna"

Luna is a Certified Dance Educator (CDE) & Dance/Movement Therapist as well as Licensed Mental Health Counselor, An Associate Artistic Director of a Modern and Ballet Company in the Midwest area. She works at a residential treatment facility as yoga & dance/

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movement therapist, and talk therapist for community mental health. She has taught classes and lead movement workshops from the 1990's until the present in area theaters/groups, Northwestern University, Columbia College, area studios & schools, & current shows. Workshops: Dance/Movement Improvisation/Contact Connection, Exploring Self, Moving Bio-poem (Adult only), Exploring Self, Moving Bio-Poem for Children and Teens  
Day/Time: MON, WED (adult only) FRI at 11:00 a.m.

### WEDMEDYK, JOY

Joy Wedmedyk (Iyalocha Omi Lasa) has studied Mediumship, Divination, Symbolism, and Shamanism for over 40 years. She is an initiated Priestess of Yemaya in Regla de Ocha (called Santeria), and has also been initiated into Native American and African Shamanic Traditions. Joy is an accomplished Medium and Shamanic practitioner and is nationally recognized as a Spiritual teacher, Psychic, Medium, Drum Maker, Shamanic Practitioner and Artist.

Workshops: Part 1 ---The Shamans World View, Part 2 ---Shamans and the Natural world, Part 3 ----The Shaman and Journey Work  
Day/Time: TUE, THU, SAT at 3:00 p.m.

### YEAGER, ALYSSA

Geek/Goddess/Girl Alyssa began touring the festival circuit in 2005 and quickly became known for her "magickal, mystical story-telling". As Rhiannon's Lark, she brings fantasy, morality, and t-rexes together into a show that will comfort your ears, get you laughing, and make you question the way you see the world.

Show: Rhiannon's Lark - Day/Time: THU at 9:30 p.m.

- 1 East Shire
- 2 East Meadow
- 3 North Stage
- 4 North Pavilion & Sacred Circle
- 5 Main Pavilion & Maypole Stones
- 6 Nemeton
- 7 Runestead
- 8 Kid Village
- 9 Studio
- 10 Ritual Field
- 11 Story Telling Pavilion
- 12 Sweat Lodge
- 13 Didge Dome
- 14 Labyrinth & Ancestor Shrine
- 15 Upper Pond
- 16 BWD Radio
- 17 Henna Tree
- 18 Roundhouse
- 19 Fairy Garden

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