NOMC 2017 FALL RETREAT October 20th – 22nd



Channeling the Magician: Opening to Magic in Your Life

We gather. We light our fire. We call in the Directions and with them the Archetypes that drive us – consciously and unconsciously. Every man has the magician working in his life. Perhaps each of us has our favorite ways to embody the magician: The Trickster, The Alchemist, The Seer, The Ancient Master, The Modern Inventor, The Initiator, The Holder of Secrets.

Come explore your own magician. Do you remember times when magic happened for you? What magic are you

waiting to happen for you? How can you best be served and serve as you Open to the Magic in Your Life?





Don Juan, a Yaqui brujo to Carlos Castaneda, "... any path is only a path ... All paths are the same; they [all] lead nowhere." The only important question you must ask is: "Does this path have a heart?" If it has heart for you, then dare to follow it.

Gordo Cooper: Who are you guys?

Aborigine Man: We're aborigines. Who are you?

Gordo Cooper: I'm an astronaut. I fly up there, among the

moon and stars.

Aborigine Man: Oh, you too? See that bloke over there?

He knows too. He flies too. He knows.

Those who dance are considered insane by those who cannot hear the music.

-George Carlin

Those who wish to sing always find a song. —Swedish Proverb

But Oz never did give nothing to the Tin Man that he didn't, didn't already have.

-Dewey Bunnell of the band "America" in song Tin Man

WHAT TO EXPECT

We seek to provide a safe place for men to connect with themselves, other men and the environment. Large and small group experiences as well as some time alone are planned. In our mythopoetic tradition, storytelling, poetry, drumming and experiential learning can be expected.

PLEASE INVITE ANOTHER MAN TO COME WITH YOU.

WHEN

Arrive Friday, October 20th. On-site registration and bunk assignment will begin at 5 p.m. Please plan to arrive no later than 6 P.M. Dinner will be available at 6 P.M., and our opening ceremony will begin at 7 PM. You may arrive as early as you wish on Friday to check out the grounds, hike, meditate, etc. The retreat will end after lunch on Sunday.

WHERE

King's Arrow Ranch, Hillsdale, MS, just east of I-59 North at exit 35, 75 miles north of New Orleans and 30 miles south of Hattiesburg, MS. In case of emergency, you can be reached through the King's Arrow Range phone # 601-796-3423. You will be asked not to use or access your cell phone during the Retreat.

PRE-REGISTER VIA E-MAIL

We ask that you pre-register by October 15th so we can estimate lodging and meals required. To register, just reply to this email and let us know you will be there (<u>retreat@thenomc.org</u>). If you do not have email, call one of the facilitators to register. A confirmation e-mail will be sent upon registration, and more details will follow as we approach the date. For confidentiality and privacy, information provided for registration will only be available to retreat participants.

COST

The cost of the Retreat is \$120.00 and that fee covers all meals and lodging. You can pay by check or cash upon arrival, Friday, October 11th.

SCHOLARSHIPS

If you need financial assistance, please contact a facilitator.

NOMC PLANNING MEETING

At the conclusion of the retreat on Sunday, a planning meeting to discuss the next retreat, as well as planning for the future of NOMC will be held. All interested are encouraged to stay for the meeting.

QUESTIONS?

For additional information about the retreat, contact a facilitator.

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