Susquehanna Permaculture's ReWilding School presents:

# The Permaculture Rewilding Intensive



Email joshua.and.katherine@gmail.com to register.

## Take the first step to learn the Rewilding Design System and begin to understand language of nature!

What: The Rewilding Design System has been developed by merging the techniques and wisdom of indigenous land management & community building with the ingenuity of permaculture design. Rewilding is the process of nurturing wild resources & ecosystems back to health by minimizing the devastating effects of modern, global, industrial culture. Humanity is absolutely dependent on natural, wild resources & systems, so rewilding is not limited to remote rural areas, but is needed everywhere, even in the heart of the city!

The Rewilding Design System is taught in a cycle of 5 weekend workshops summarized below. Students who complete a workshop will be given a project to work through in an indefinite time period. Once the project is completed, it can be submitted to the ReWilding School for approval, and if approved, the student will be eligible to take the next weekend workshop and advance toward a certification. A permaculture certification is NOT required to attend these classes.

#### The 5-Workshop Certification Process:

- 1. <u>Deep Observation and Nature Awareness</u>
- 2. Tending Hoops
- 3. Basic Environmental Modifications
- 4. Advanced Environmental Modifications
- 5. Expanding the Process

#### What to Expect:

In this workshop, Part 1 of 5, we cover the basic concepts of permaculture, introduce the Rewilding Design System, offer specialized observations techniques & skills for advanced nature awareness, teach the process of IDing wild plants & animals, cover basic ecology, and explore the Ouroboros of ReWilding, an initiatory symbol developed by the ReWilding School that contains all of the observances necessary to understand wild patterns.

#### Where:

Rolling Ridge Study Retreat Community near Charles Town, WV.

Class and Lodging will be held at the Retreat House located on a 1400-acre wilderness preserve.

www.rollingridge.net

Only 1.5 hours from Baltimore & DC!

When: Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

Check-in from 3-6pm on Friday, check-out at 3pm on Sunday.

#### **Workshop Facilitators:**



**Wilson Alvarez** is a certified permaculture designer, an inventor, gardener, skilled tracker, bowyer, nature-awareness instructor, and poet from Lancaster, Pennsylvania. For the past ten years, he has studied and taught classes and workshops on bio-intensive agriculture, regenerative technology, foraging, hunting, trapping, and tracking, and wilderness survival. Wilson has a Kamana II certification through Jon Young's Wilderness Awareness School, received his PDC online via Permaculture Visions, and studied applied archaeology at Prescott College with Steve Watts.

Benjamin Weiss is a certified permaculture designer and teacher, gardener, brewer, musician, and poet from Lancaster,



Pennsylvania. Ben studied natural building and permaculture at the Farm Ecovillage Training Center, received a permaculture teacher certification from CRMPI, studied urban agriculture at Growing Power, and has studied herbalism with Sarah Preston of Radiance in Lancaster and shamanic dreaming techniques with Adhi Moonien Two-Owls. Ben has facilitated 12 PDCs and many other classes and workshops, has designed and managed three organic farms, and currently is foraging professionally.

**Meals:** Tuition includes 6 homemade meals throughout the weekend beginning with dinner on Friday & ending with lunch on Sunday. Dietary restrictions will be provided for if we are notified in advance.

**Lodging:** The Retreat House at Rolling Ridge is a comfortable, six-bedroom cabin. Four of the bedrooms have bunk beds, the other two have a double. Depending on the number of registrants, it will likely be necessary to share rooms. The Retreat House has two full baths and two half- baths. Guests generally bring their own sheets and towels, although there are some available if necessary. The lower tuition price covers camping on the grounds of Rolling Ridge, and the higher price covers shared lodging in the Retreat House (see tuitions below). Limited space is available for both options, so a first-come first-serve basis will apply and earlier registrants will get their choice.

#### **Tuition Structure:**

We offer a dynamic tuition model intended to make our classes accessible to as many people as possible, and to empower our students to begin building a community within their classroom the moment they register for the course.

#### Here's how it works:

The tuition per student is based on the number of students in the class.

Minimum class size: 10 students
Maximum class size: 15 students

| Number of<br>Students | Tuition per<br>Student* |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 15                    | \$350/\$370             |
| 14                    | \$370/\$390             |
| 13                    | \$390/\$410             |
| 12                    | \$415/\$435             |
| 11                    | \$445/\$465             |
| 10                    | \$480/\$510             |

<sup>\*</sup>The low number is for camping, high number is for the lodge.

Of course we work hard to promote our classes, but it's also up to the students to recruit others to sign up so that everyone's tuition can be lower. This also encourages our students to take the class with people they know, and to make connections with other participants before the class begins.

#### **Registration Deposits:**

We have a set budget for this class, and if we do not meet the budget we cannot offer the class. When you register, you will be asked what the maximum amount you are willing to pay is based on the table above. The class will be official when the appropriate number of registrants is willing to pay the tuition that correlates with that number (example: 12 registrants each willing to pay \$415 or \$435). We'll keep you updated on the registration status via the Facebook page for the class and through email updates.

To register, each student must make a \$350/\$370 (dependent upon camping or lodging). Any remaining tuition is due on the day of the first class. This deposit will be refunded if we do not meet our budgetary requirements and have to cancel the course, or if the number of students registered does not bring the tuition level down to what a registrant is willing to pay, and they decide not to take the class. *Tuition fees will not be refunded except in serious emergencies!* 

#### **Preparedness for the Class:**

Students should come fully prepared to be outdoors for extended periods in the woods in varying weather.

Things to bring:

- camping gear (if you're camping)
- notebook
- writing utensils
- compass
- camera
- any preferred field guides
- pocket knife or multi-tool
- work gloves
- water bottle

Students will be notified of any other required materials after registering.

### To register:

- 1. Complete Registration Form Below
- 2. Email Josh Evans at joshua.and.katherine@gmail.com or call at 717-425-3200

(& indicate housing preference & dietary restrictions)

- 3. Indicate the maximum tuition you're willing to pay.
  - 4. Send Check/Payment to:

(a primary deposit of \$350 or \$370)

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