

SGRF 2017: SACRED MAGICK JULY 10-17, 2017

*“Let’s drink to the old faggots that were there and helped make this happen just by being there.”
– The Faggots & Their Friends Between the Revolutions*



Faggots and friends at the Wolf Creek Inn, ca. 1970

Thirty summers ago, the men who arrived at the first Spiritual Gathering of Radical Faeries did so as our community was under assault. By plague, hostile government, and the families and institutions who wanted us dead. These men used community as the cornerstone of radical subversion.

They gathered at Wolf Creek to create revolution by discovering their tools—quill, shovel, loom, broom, hearth, and cock. Brandishing them, they pruned and planted a garden to nourish our faggot souls.

For thirty years, this gathering has been our tool for rebellion. We rebel with our spirit; because we know that the only true revolution is a spiritual one. We rebel with our minds, creating subject-subject consciousness. And we rebel with our bodies; because in our faggotry, our spirit takes flight.

Spiritual revolutions are the ones which last; the ones which permeate hearts and minds, drawing the commitment of a lifetime.

In gathering is our strength.

The strength of our love, and of our lives.

The strength of our tribe, and of ourselves.

The strength of our ancestors, and of our faglings.

The strength of the bodies who entwine us, and the bodies we inhabit.

The strength of our past, and of our futures.

We come to the Spiritual Gathering of Radical Faeries as brother faggots hand-in-hand, asking, “Where does the magick inside me emanate from? Am I source, recipient, transmitter, or all three? What happens to the magick I create? Where is it cast and what does it manifest?”

Gathering is a place-in-time to pool the energy of our collective magick and cast it to transform our world.

YOO-WHO?

In commemoration of our thirtieth anniversary gathering on the land, we issue a special invitation to our elders and others who attended earlier gatherings, and may be thinking of an encore visit. We’re calling you to join us, and share stories, journeys, magick.

Also, this year, the little circle that is crafting the larger circle of this gathering issues a call to renew our magick and freshen our energy through spiritual focus. Whether it is bodywork, cockwork, tarot, sacred medicines, meditation, sacred chant, yoga, ritual, dancing, sweatlodge, drumming and—of course—heart circle. We will be intentionally inviting individuals to share their spiritual practices, skills, and art forms. If you, or someone you know, wants to offer a workshop or other activity, let us know.



A rainbow on our land.

Being the Community We Want to Model

Our garden of earthly delights bloom many varieties of the human flower; and we crave that lush diversity at our gathering. The gathering is fashioned for self-identified cisgender and transgender men-loving-men. Within this container, we foster solidarity between marginalized experiences (particularly ethnic, class, and disability identities). Faeries are invited to call for identity-specific spaces, accessible dwellings, action groups, themed heart circles, etc. If you are a man-loving-man who identifies with a marginalized identity, you are invited to play, participate, and/or lead our community toward ever more inclusive gatherings.

A Special Day of Sacred Magick

The planning circle wants to invite people on the last Saturday of the gathering to celebrate and experience sacred magick. It will be a day to focus on opening hearts, bodies, and minds; and to deepen our intimacy with one another, with the spirit world of our ancestors, and beloved.

General Information

Date

The gathering this year is July 10-17. Wolf Creek will be a closed container to accommodate faggot-only space. The land will be self-identified male-only space from July 1-20. Those coming early, please note that Sex Magick will be on the land from July 1-8, which is closed container – so only part of the land will be available to visitors. We encourage those coming early to help on Sunday get things ready for SGRF; and those leaving late to help clean up.

Cost

No one is turned away for lack of funds; but please be aware that creating this gathering costs money. We ask that you donate at least \$35/day for the time you are on the land. Extra money not only covers our expenses, but also helps maintain the sanctuary and its facilities. Please give more if you can; less if you can't.

Registration

Please click:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/16xiR4nyWbiMcBKX21YIi31Qd3ZXT7eW8dPI4xokG5>

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Your registration helps us plan buying food and other aspects of the gathering. Please indicate how much you will pay now, and how much later (either at the gathering or before).

Accessibility and Transportation

Wolf Creek Sanctuary is located at 4525 Lower Wolf Creek Rd., Wolf Creek, Oregon, about 20 miles (32 km) north of Grants Pass. It is easily accessible by car; and with prior arrangement, rides from the Grants Pass Amtrak station will be available. We'll have decorations at the top of the driveway so you can find us. A link to Google maps is here: <http://goo.gl/maps/ecKzh>. Carpooling is encouraged and a ride share list can be found at <http://bit.ly/WC-rides>.

Facilities

Wolf Creek is rustic 80 acre sanctuary in a rural area. There are pit and flush toilets scattered around the property and an outdoor solar shower. Because of water limitations, you are encouraged to keep showering to a minimum. Swim in the creek instead! We make our meals in a communal kitchen in the barn; with more intimate gatherings indoors in the Garden House. You are invited to tend or add to the many altars located on the land; and to help out with the garden and the greenhouse. In the summer, rattlesnakes are around – be informed and aware.

Smoking is restricted to designated areas. Wolf Creek is extremely dry during summer months, and fire is a real danger – one which came close to destroying the sanctuary shortly after the 2013 gathering. Absolutely no fire, smoking, candles, or incense on paths or at campsites.

Accommodations

There are tenting spots all over the land. There are no specifically designated areas, but be conscious of the presence of poison oak in and around wooded areas. You must bring your own gear. A limited number of cabins are available to those with special needs (request through the registration form *as required*). A limited number of spots for RVs and trailers are available. Be aware that larger RVs cannot make it over the train tracks crossing the driveway, so you may need to camp on the other side of the creek.

Meals

Our kitchen queen, TBA, will need help. We are each responsible for feeding one another; and cleaning up. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided. If you have special dietary needs, please indicate on the registration form, and we'll accommodate as best we can. You're encouraged to bring food to share. Self-care is sexy, so please bring supplemental food if needed, especially if you have particular dietary needs, and we can help with preparation. Because of bears and other critters, do NOT keep food in tents!

For those with extreme food sensitivities which make it impractical to share space with the communal kitchen; please be aware that the kitchen in Garden House is available to prepare whatever special meals you require.

Communications

You're invited to turn your phone and internet OFF. Be present here, now. If needed, however, there is (often spotty) cellular service on the land and the garden house has internet available.

Safety/Respect/Fae Ethos

Our principles are simple: safety, confidentiality, and love and respect for one another, nurtured by heart-centred subject-to-subject consciousness. We are responsible for our own experiences, while respecting the dignity and enjoyment of others. Ask for what you need or want. Speak your truth with compassion. Be direct, be honest. Let your yes mean yes, and your no mean no. Consent is sexy. Different faggots have different boundaries. Check-in and ask. Nothing is sexier than "yes, please." But above all, be kind and patient with one another. Note: Please take or post photos and videos with permission of the subjects.

Directory

We are looking for volunteers to help assemble an on-line directory; and set up a photo booth at the gathering to take pictures for it.

A Note on Intoxicants

We invite you to be present with clear, focused consciousness. A consistent rule at Wolf Creek is no speed, meth, heroin, or cocaine. In the interests of being fully available to each other, and supporting those in recovery, we discourage drinking; and, especially, being drunk in public. If you choose to drink, please do so in the parking lot, or the privacy of your tent. The exception is libations night (should anyone choose to focalize that). If there is a libations night, a designated sober area will be set aside, and sober volunteers recruited to monitor everyone's safety.

Guidelines

Please NO:

- Speed, heroin, meth, or cocaine—not in you, not on you, not in your car.
- Violence or intolerance.
- Fire, smoking, candles, or incense on paths or at campsites.
- Pets. For the safety and comfort of everyone at the gathering, please leave your dog at home. A kennel is available in Merlin, the next town south, where you can board your furry loved one. It is called Creekside Boarding, (541) 471-7144, ask for Donna.