

Permaculture Design Course Application

Please fill out this registration form and mail with a non-refundable registration fee of \$250 (AND full tuition payment if within 4 weeks of the course) to:

O.U.R. ECOVILLAGE

Box 530
Shawnigan Lake, BC
V0R 2W0 Canada

Cancellation Policy: Workshop fee will be refunded in full (minus \$100 administration fee) if notified at least 1 month prior to the workshop start date, following that any refunds will be prorated, with cancellations two weeks prior to the program having no a full program payments forfeited. (this policy is used within reason and there may be exceptions).

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Emergency contact information: _____

Medical Information: Please outline any medical condition that we need to be aware of.

Food issues (though we may not be able to serve all issues):

I am vegan I am vegetarian I eat meat & fish

I request: * Eco GuestHouse (\$50 single/\$65 double) _____
* meals if staying offsite (\$7 meal or \$20/day) for which days _____

We are asking everyone to car pool, as parking is limited and to encourage carbon reduction.

I would like a ride from _____ I can offer a ride to _____ people from _____

How did you hear about this workshop? _____

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COMMITMENTS & RESPONSIBILITIES:

Participants will:

- Complete full payment for program or workshop one month prior to the program start.
- Complete the site fees payment for your program upon receiving this letter (please send in Canadian funds).
- Be responsible for engaging in the learning community.
- Be self-responsible around liability for health, safety, and have your own health insurance
- Seek support and feedback whenever you feel necessary.
- Participate in rotating task schedule for all the activities/chores which create and support OUR daily living needs.
- Actively engage in creating your own learning process. Take responsibility for getting your educational needs met through clear and effective communication of your needs with the staff and teachers.

O.U.R. ECOVILLAGE and Program Leaders will:

- Provide a workshop/learning community space, which is, to the best of our ability: safe, nurturing, educational, and supportive.
- Provide food and supplies for 3 meals per day (shared chores) & emergency phone contact.
- Provide a full-featured learning experience from a variety of instructors and locations.
- Furthering the learning community experience by offering up our skills and abilities, & by referencing/linking participants to a wide variety of other human and/or material resources.
- Offer participants support in making personal and professional choices around boundaries/limitations, which may enhance the learning process.

SECTION 3 - AGREEMENTS

Please check each box indicating you have read and agree with each statement.

- 1. I have **read and familiarized myself** with “*O.U.R. Ecovillage Information Handbook & Visitor’s Guide*”. It is available at the main office upon your arrival or at the kitchen wash up sink.
- 2. While participating in the Learning Community at O.U.R. Ecovillage, I agree to **conduct myself in accordance with** *O.U.R. Guiding Principles* and *O.U.R. Drug & Alcohol Policy*.
- 3. I will **honor my agreements** regarding applicable or arranged **site costs**, as outlined above during my time at O.U.R. Ecovillage.
- 4. I am familiar with the Safety and Emergency Procedures outlined in O.U.R. Information Handbook & Visitor’s Guide. I will **act in a safe and responsible manner** at all times, and will not hold O.U.R. Community Association (or O.U.R. Ecovillage residents) liable for any injury I sustain or damage to my personal property. **I agree to sign a “Liability Form”**.

- 5. I agree to take **personal responsibility** regarding all aspects of this agreement, including checking in with others regularly to ensure mutual agreements are upheld.

Workshop Participant conduct/dismissal:

Registered participants are expected to conduct themselves responsibly, with due consideration for the setting, the purposes of the OUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (OCA), and for others at O.U.R.ECOVILLAGE (e.g. food production program Interns, natural building program Interns, residents, staff, other short term students, volunteers and visitors). Participants must be committed to fulfilling the course requirements and participating fully in program activities. If an Participant is, for whatever reason, unable to live up to these commitments OCA reserves the right to renegotiate the participants involvement, including dismissal from the program.

Misconduct of particular concern includes but is not limited to: (1) acts affecting the safety of any individual, (2) damage to property, (3) theft, (4) disruption of routine farm, school and community activities, instruction, or programs of the Society, (5) insufficient attendance (6) violation of the Drug and Alcohol policy.

In the event that a student is dismissed from OCA written notice will be provided.

Signature: _____
Intern

Signature: _____
Executive Director, O.U.R. Community Assoc.

Date: _____

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, _____ am aware that construction activities, building materials, hand and power tools, and any and all work sites can be dangerous and there is a risk of personal injury.

I acknowledge that OUR ECOVILLAGE/OUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, COBWORKS, Elke Cole, Brandy Gallagher, Trent Berg and the staff, students, volunteers and residents of these organizations are not responsible for my personal injury caused as a result of the use, misuse, malfunction, attempt to repair or any other operation of hand or power tools, working with animals, machines or as result of any activities which I may be involved in through any aspect of OUR ECOVILLAGE (on or off site). I undertake these activities at my own risk and acknowledge that these organizations and individuals cannot be held liable whatsoever for these activities.

Signature _____ Print _____

Witness _____ Date _____

PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT FOR YOUR REFERENCE