Yoo Hoo!

The Radical Faeries of Albion present:

Spring Love Awakening Gathering at Paddington farm, Glastonbury, UK Tuesday 7th - Friday 17th May 2024

REGISTRATION FORM WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THIS LINK FROM APRIL 8TH

Calling faeries, queer spirits, gay witches, faggot farmers, drag druids, walkers between worlds, Ritual queens, tricksters, heart circlers, faerie newbies, wild womxn, hippies, new age enbies, pagans, lesbian lightworkers, femmes, activists, transgender priestesses, ecofeminists, genderqueers, shapeshifters, and whoever else you are!

We gather around Beltane to co-create in nature at the height of spring. We have the use of a beautiful meadow for camping, a farmhouse for indoor accommodation, work/playshop spaces, a small woodland and two fire pits, and a large kitchen for feeding everyone!

We wish to create a safer space together to open our hearts, feel connected to each other and the land and love around us.

The intentions behind previous S.L.A.G. gatherings have been to co-create a space where we feel safe and trusting to open our hearts that bit more, a space to be as we are, where Love can grow and support our personal and collective development. A place to feel more whole, held and connected, to bathe in the Joy and Strength of Being Together. We stoke the fires of Love in the Spring energies,

nourish ourselves and each other so that we may radiate and shine brightly in the wider world.

Faerie means family and we want SLAG 2024 to include you and welcome you home. Please get in touch if you have any disabilities or health conditions so that we can discuss and make adjustments.

For this gathering we want to invite you to manifest playfulness, experimentation, creation, diversity, acceptance, wildness, joyfulness, dancing, sensuality, connection, inclusion, family, care, co-creation, co-operation, magic, boundary-setting, self care, recognising needs, question-asking, vulnerability, beauty, kindness, love, and humour!

We are all organisers and creators of the event in our own ways. To this end if you feel able to get involved, or feel to offer any workshops that can be planned in advance then please get in contact.

The email address for the gathering is: gatherings@albionfaeries.org.uk

The venue is Paddington Farm, about 20 min walk from Glastonbury and accessible by bus and driving. To arrive by train, the easiest way is to Bristol Temple Meads and then onward bus to Glastonbury. We encourage you to get in touch with your fellow faerie family for lift-sharing where possible, www.faenet.org is a good place to make connections. There will be a signal group link sent after registration to help get in touch with each other.

We intend to accommodate a maximum of around 70 people. There are a small number of twin & double rooms available as well as spaces in two dorms in the farm house. The rest of the accommodation is camping. The gathering is intended as

a journey best experienced for the duration so we ask that people come for the full ten days wherever possible.

As has been at faerie gatherings, we will order lots of amazing whole foods, ingredients and vegetables, our meals are mainly plant-based/vegan, and always have a plant-based/vegan option.

Sex positivity

We aspire to embrace sex positivity in the gathering. This doesn't mean that there is any expectation around sex. It primarily means working towards a positive attitude about sex and embracing all aspects of sexuality, placing an importance on consent. On a practical level this means that, in the private areas of the venue any consensual sexual expression is welcome.

Celebrating our diversity

We welcome all to our gathering who come in a spirit of acceptance and community growth. We hold an intention that the gathering is a safe space for the exploration of our differences as well as the celebration of our shared love.

<u>Alcohol & Mind-altering substances</u>

We would like to keep an atmosphere conducive to the joy and work of coming home to the heart and where we can be sensitive to one another and feel safe enough to be vulnerable. It is important that the gathering remains accessible to those that may have a difficult relationship or bad reactions to alcohol or substances.

To this end, we ask that if anyone chooses to use alcohol / substances, it is done in a way that is low-key and with

awareness of others – this might look like drinking from cups rather than glasses and not obviously displaying alcohol bottles.

How can you contribute to Spring Love awakening?

Kitchen deities
Welfare
Safe space
Finances & Fundraising
Sex positivity & Love temple
Hot tent
Wood and fires
Site décor
Heart Circle organising
Recycling and composting
Entertainment including Music, performance, DJ, Cabaret

..and the pre-gathering admin committee!

Some things you might like to bring...

Decorations (fabric, lights, art etc), musical instrument, a torch, book to read, games to play, Walking boots/wellies, Waterproof clothing, Warm clothing(!), Summer clothing, a hot water bottle, toiletries and a towel. If you feel like dressing up bring some fancy clothes and wigs. If you plan to perform in the no talent show, any backing tracks you need. Lube and condoms for the Love Temple, There will be an altar for any items of special meaning you wish to bring.

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How to pay:

For the whole gathering, we ask each faerie to contribute £270-320 for hire of the farm, food and firewood - around £27-32 per day

As faeries we are radical in our approach of No One Turned Away For Lack Of Funds (NOTAFLOF) - we want you to come and we don't want financial hierarchies to prevent your spirit from joining us!

This means that if you genuinely cannot afford to pay the full contribution, you are encouraged to pay what you can: GAYABAGS (Give As You're Able But Always Give Something).

The deficit will be made up by the generosity of other faeries and by recent initiatives to fundraise for NOTAFLOF - ADAFAE (Additional Donations And Finance Accepted Enthusiastically): if you can give more than the suggested contribution, please do, and share your love!

Please pay in advance via PayPal or bank transfer, using the reference in the format SLAG24 [your name], e.g., SLAG24 J.SMITH. If you want to pay in installments, add "1 of 3", "2 of 4" etc to your reference.

Paypal link: www.paypal.me/albionfaeries - please select "Paying Friends or Family" rather than "Goods or Services", so that we don't get charged a fee.

Bank: The Co-operative Bank

Account name: FaerieUK

Sort code: 089299

Account number: 65488214

IBAN: GB75 CPBK 08929965 4882 14

Bank Identification code: CPBK GB22

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