

Rainbow Fianna: Wisdom School for Earthkeepers presents

Set Yourself Free

with **Billie Dean**

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Participant's Information

Thank you for your interest in this course, and we look forward to seeing you here. The following information should help you prepare for the course and answer most of the questions you might have about logistics

Dates and Times

Dates:

Saturday, August 31 - 10:00 am until 10:00 pm, and Sunday, September 1st, 9:30 am until 5:00 pm.

Advanced students will meet with Billie from 8:00 am both days.

Contact Details

If you have any queries with regard to the accommodation or logistics, please contact Andrew by email (andrew@wildpureheart.com), or phone (02) 4842 2819 or 0409 609 428.

Course Registration Form

Please send Andrew your course registration form as soon as you know your arrangements. It includes your name, contact details, mobile phone number in case we need to get in touch with you while you are here or are on the way, as well as how and when you are planning to travel, as well as your accommodation arrangements. If you have not received one by email, please let Andrew know so he can send it to you.

Venue

The Braidwood Mill (which we call The Old Mill), McKellar St, Braidwood, NSW, just off of Wallace Street, and across the street Torpy's Guesthouse. Here is the web site for the Mill: <http://www.braidwoodmill.com.au/>

Location of Braidwood

Braidwood is a pretty, historic, heritage-listed town in the Southern Tablelands of NSW. By car, it is approximately 3.5 hours from Sydney, and about 1.25 hours by car from the Canberra Airport, which is the closest one. Here is a Google Maps link that shows where it is: <http://einspru.ch/RZQ16z>

For more information about Braidwood, please see the Braidwood Tourism site at www.VisitBraidwood.com.au, as well as the information at <http://www.braidwoodnsw.com>.

Getting to Braidwood

To get to Braidwood, you can:

- drive
- fly or take the train to Canberra and catch a bus from there. Details on busses below.
- get to Canberra and rent a car
- get to Canberra and take a cab to Braidwood (pricey).
- get to Canberra (or somewhere closer, like one of the train stops at Bungendore or Tarago), then organise with Braidwood Hire Car Service to be picked up.

If you would like driving instructions from Sydney or Canberra, please contact Andrew who can send them to you.

There are two bus services that go from Canberra to Braidwood. One is the Rixon'd bus service, which goes from Canberra at around 4:15 (or 4:30-ish from the airport). It goes from Braidwood to Canberra at about 8:30, getting to the airport at about 9:45. There is a bit of flexibility in both when they travel and where they pick up and drop off, so it is worth talking to them. See their web site: <http://www.rixonsbus.com.au/>

The other bus is the Murray's Canberra to South Coast line. It goes from Canberra to Braidwood at about 7:30 in the morning, and returns from Braidwood to Canberra at about 4:00. Please see: http://www.murrays.com.au/OtherServices.aspx#Canberra_SouthCoast for details. Note that if you need to catch this bus on the Sunday to get home that day, let Billie know, and she will work it out so you don't miss anything too important.

You can find the train schedule at www.countrylink.info. Note that you can possibly take a train to Bungendore, which is a bit closer than Canberra, and then connect with a bus from there, but the pieces may be hard to match up.

To organise to be picked up by Braidwood Hire Car Service. Talk to Stephen Hockey on 02 4842 2286 or 0429 422 286. The web site is: <http://www.hockeysbraidwood.com.au/services.html>. This can be expensive for one person, but is not so bad if you split the cost across a couple of people.

If you want to try to share a ride from Canberra (or from where you live like Melbourne or Sydney), let us know, and we'll see if we can help match you up with someone coming from your area or who might be able to meet you. Sometimes people share the cost of a hire car from Canberra, or are able to drive together and share the costs.

There are lots of possibilities, depending on who is attending the course and where they are coming from. We are happy to try to facilitate, but we can't promise anything.

Accommodation

Andrew is organising accommodation at the following places in town: The Old Mill (where the course is being held), the Snow Lion B&B and the Old Bank (also called Kingsford Townstay).

The Old Mill has four rooms available with a queen or king-sized bed in each. The Snow Lion has three rooms. The Old Bank has five. Normally people have single rooms, although it is possible to share. All three places have shared bathroom facilities. The Old Mill and Old Bank have kitchens, and there is limited cooking facilities at the Snow Lion.

The cost of a single room is \$75 per night at both places. The cost of a shared room is \$50 per night per person (you share with one other person at most). These rooms must be booked and paid for through Andrew, and are allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

Staying at these places is a fun way to be at the course, as the people staying there normally develop into friends.

Braidwood has a number of other places to stay with a variety of prices, ranging from basic motel accommodation, to bed and breakfast, to nicer hotel accommodation. Andrew can tell you what he knows about them, if you need. There's a list of them on the Braidwood Tourism site. <http://www.visitbraidwood.com.au/html/places/motel.htm> as well as at the other Braidwood site, <http://www.braidwoodnsw.com>.

Note that we suggest you do **not** stay at the pub (The Royal Hotel) as the energies tend to be a bit jarring.

Food

You are responsible for your own meals while here. There are places to eat in town, and a decent grocery store and a health food store (Herb Superb) where you can buy food. We will do a shared vegan meal on Saturday night.

Sometimes the group dynamic works out that people share breakfasts and lunches as well, and the kitchen at the Old Mill is available to all participants. Normally, people work together on this, but it is not a requirement. It is, however, convivial.

Please note that we are dealing with subtle energies and needing to be karma free - so please abstain from all animal food products during the course.

Conduct

We ask that you refrain from all alcohol and recreational drugs during the course, as it can affect the experience of other people, as well as your own, because we are dealing with subtle (and some not so subtle) energies that are affected by those substances. We, of course, don't mind what you do on your own time, but while you are here for the course, we ask that you respect this request.

Weather

Braidwood will be in its late winter glory. It can get warm, and it can also be frosty at night. Expect cold, but be prepared if we are surprised by some warmth. So please dress in layers.

What to Bring

- Notebook and pen.
- Rattle, drum, clapsticks or similar for drumming during fire ceremony (Saturday night). If you don't have anything like this, or you don't want to travel with them, that is fine. We can wing it.

Payment

We ask that you pay a \$100 deposit to secure your place. The balance of the payment is due at the beginning of the course. The full course fee is \$595.

To pay by EFT, our banking details are:

Account Name: Wild Pure Heart

BSB: 633000

Account No: 133984526

Institution: Bendigo Bank

You can also pay by cheque (contact Andrew for a mailing address if you need it) or cash. If you need to pay by credit card, that can also be arranged, but please be advised there is a 3% surcharge for this to cover bank fees, and it is helpful to Andrew if you can do this before the first day of the course as it is easier for him to do the transaction at the computer rather than on his phone.

If you need a payment plan for the course, please discuss this with us beforehand. We are happy to work something out with you based on what you are able to commit to. Please contact Andrew to discuss options.