

## Upcoming Courses

### The Great Belonging: the way of evolutionary activism

Friday 20 January 2017 - Sunday 22 January 2017

Sensing the tremors as old structures and certainties collapse, we walk deeper into a period of unimaginable transformation, filled with pain and possibility. Embracing the chaos of that moment we ask what is called for now? How do we grow into the spiritual imperative to become a human presence on the planet that is life-affirming and at home with the great community of life on Earth? What would the way of evolutionary activism look like in our own lives?

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### Handling Conflict in our Meetings: a course for role holders

Friday 27 January 2017 - Sunday 29 January 2017

While handling difficult situations is challenging and can be deeply painful, it can also be the means for growth and development. We will explore a variety of ways for managing the conflicts and difficulties that arise in meetings, including processes for restoring harmony, using the model of a 'cycle of harmony and discord'. We will practice skills to address and reduce conflict and negative feelings, and explore what we value and what we would like to change about our meetings.

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### Forced Migration: how can Quakers Respond?

Friday 3 February 2017 - Sunday 5 February 2017

Joint conference with Quaker Asylum & Refugee Network and Quaker Council for European Affairs.

Unprecedented numbers of men, women and children have been fleeing war, persecution and environmental catastrophe. Many have risked death, hoping to find safety and a new life in Europe. Why is this happening? What have been the responses? Governments see this as a security issue. We believe that asylum policies are flawed. We will explore how Friends can work, collectively and locally, for justice and compassion for all those seeking refuge in Europe.

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### What to do with Money

Monday 6 February 2017 - Sunday 19 March 2017

We are involved with money every day – working for it, spending it, saving it, investing it, giving it away or just worrying about it. We feel guilty about having too much and worry about having too little. In this online course we'll explore our relationships with money so that participants are better able to make choices about their use of money, as individuals or as Meetings. Financial advice will not be given.

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### Exploring Quaker Spirituality: an online webinar series

Thursday 16 February 2017 - Thursday 23 March 2017

Join this friendly exploration of these questions and many more. This webinar series will introduce you to central elements of Quaker spirituality, including: silence, worship and vocal ministry; experiencing all of life as sacred; the inward teacher; the contemplative and the prophetic; queries and uncertainty; discipline, discernment and leadings.

Only basic computer skills are needed for this course, together with access to e-mail and the internet. The course takes place in Woodbrooke's online learning website, for which easy registration details will be provided. Full guidance will be given on how to access the course's material, and help is available if you get stuck at any point.

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### Voices : valuing young adolescents in education

Saturday 18 February 2017 - Saturday 18 February 2017

This day course is designed for teachers of KS2 and KS3 to support their work in listening to students in and out of classrooms. The course will provide space and time for teachers to share ideas about transformation for older children and young adolescents through enabling them to become articulate about the values and principles that can shape their lives and schools and classrooms. This course has a professional accreditation pathway and is also free standing.

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