



MEMBERSHIP

THREE FREE MEMBERS EVENTS!

Winter/Spring 2006



SCAREDSACRED

Screening and Tonglen Meditation with director Velcrow Ripper

Sunday, March 26, 2006, 7-9pm

Winner: "Top Ten Peace Films of All Time" - Now Magazine, Dec. 2005

Join us as Canadian Academy Award winning filmmaker Velcrow Ripper presents excerpts from his most recent feature documentary *ScaredSacred*. This beautiful and emotionally stirring film chronicles Ripper's journeys to the Ground Zeros of the world searching for meaning in the midst of crisis. While questioning whether it's possible for humanity to transform the "scared" into the "sacred", we will explore what many feel is our present imperative, that of uniting social action with spiritual depth. To this end, Velcrow will lead us in the nourishing and transformative Buddhist practice of tonglen meditation, the breathing in of suffering and breathing out of compassion for all beings.

Tea and refreshments will be served.

This event will take place at the New York Open Center.

Of related interest: visit www.opencenter.org for information on The Network of Spiritual Progressives Conference on Spiritual Activism, May 17-20, 2006, in Washington, D.C.

VALUES-BASED FINANCIAL PLANNING

An Evening Presentation and Q&A Session with Carol Guerieri

Tuesday, May 9, 2006, 7-9pm

Carol Guerieri, founder of Essential Lifestyle Planning, Inc. has over 15 years experience in Values-Based Lifestyle & Financial Planning. Unlike traditional financial planners, Carol's holistic and financially responsible approach to planning assists her clients in exploring and expressing their dreams and concerns throughout the stages of their lives. Using the client's own values as a starting point, a plan emerges that truly comes from the client and not the planner. This evening, Carol will share the questions she asks her clients to stimulate the thinking that will help them define their lifestyle and create a financial plan to achieve it.

This event will take place at the New York Open Center.



THE OPEN CENTER IN THE 21ST CENTURY

An "Open Conversation" with Ralph White

Thursday, June 15, 2006, 7-9pm

Join us for a participatory evening with Open Center Co-Founder and Creative Director Ralph White in which we encourage you to give voice to your thoughts, concerns, and suggestions about the OC. We need to know from you what your experiences of the Open Center are, and what you'd like to see more of in our continuing effort to nourish community. Come to the second of our ongoing series of informal "open conversations" and let your voice be heard!

This event will take place at the New York Open Center.

To reserve your place in these events, or bring a guest, please contact Andrea Lomanto in our Membership Department at 212-219-2527, ext. 101, or at members@opencenter.org.

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