



LOVE AFFAIR WITH THE EARTH 2

The Magic of Earth Education

March 24-26th 2017
Ringsfield EcoActivity Centre
@ Ringsfield Hall, Beccles, Suffolk,
NR34 8JR
www.ringsfield-hall.co.uk



The keynote speaker for the weekend will be Mark Jefferys who is one of only three accredited Earth Education trainers in the UK. He has over 30 years experience in environmental and earth education, teaching adults and children of all ages in the UK, Finland, Australia and America. He is passionate about bringing the natural world to life and reconnecting people with nature in creative ways. A keen songwriter and guitarist, Mark often uses his music in environmental programmes.

Continuing on from our stimulating and enjoyable gathering in April 2016 this weekend will be suitable for teachers, social workers, environmental educators, conservationists, outdoor activity leaders, bushcrafters, permaculture enthusiasts and many more.

An exciting addition is the inclusion of a **one-day Institute for Earth Education Workshop** (www.eartheducation.org) for those who have not already attended an "official" Institute for Earth Education workshop. This is being offered at a very low price as part of this weekend event. An interesting alternative programme will be offered for those who have previously attended a workshop.

Attendance at the last gathering is not essential for anyone wishing to come to this weekend but of course we do hope to see many familiar faces as well as new ones!

Using earth education philosophy and materials ranging through work with toddlers to teenagers and adults the weekend will be hosted once more by Ringsfield EcoActivity Centre where the hospitality is warm and welcoming in a delightful Victorian house with delicious food, and amongst 14 acres of varied grounds.

The Education team will be on hand to share their experience of Earthkeepers and Teddy Bears Picnic and Mark and others will look at Sunship Earth, Sunship 111 and how the Muir Trek might be used with parents and other adults to foster immersion in the natural world..

There will be sessions to enjoy outdoors, campfires, discussions, craft work, celebrations, a workshop on props for earth walks, fostering relationships with children and being available to them.

The weekend will continue to look at how earth education might enrich other environmental disciplines and also what it might learn from them. An emphasis will be on nurturing children's feelings for the earth by harnessing their amazing imaginations and curiosity through magical learning experiences.

Bookings & enquiries.....Please contact bookings@ringsfield-hall.co.uk for a booking form

Tel 01502 713020

Costs: £140 Accommodation -full board

£30 Institute for Earth Education Workshop

(discounted offer for those attending this Earth Education UK gathering)

£5 for first-time membership of Earth Education UK