

SUMMER 2021 WEEKEND GATHERING FOR MEN

THE HOMESTEAD, FOREST LAKES, OTAKI

Thursday 18 March - Sunday 21 March 2021

This Summer 2021 Weekend for Men will be held at the Homestead at Forest Lakes just north of Otaki on the Kapiti Coast. The Homestead can comfortably accommodate 30 men. <http://www.forestlakes.org.nz/homestead.html>



The Homestead



View out from venue

The Gathering will start over an evening meal on Thursday 18 March 2021, followed by an introductory circle, sharing our intentions for our time together. Our weekend will evolve from that process, and we will finish up around 1 pm on Sunday 21 March 2021.

This weekend offers the opportunity to step outside our daily lives, lives that may define and limit us. Learning from past experience, we will use both sharing circles and open space sessions to allow each of us the opportunity to claim what we need for ourselves.

There is a great campfire site close by the Homestead that we will be able to enjoy, weather permitting.

Our time together and what we do) is co-created by those attending. There will be opportunities to offer processes, facilitate a discussion on a topic that is real for you, walk in nature, or simply take time out, and to ask for what you need/want. This is not a workshop. It is an opportunity to co-create our time together, to use the power of the circle to share of ourselves, and to explore issues close to our hearts.

We ask as a man to come with an open heart, bring your evolving life story, and be willing and open to sharing what is on top for you.

Our culture is developed through service, connection and celebration: in the kitchen preparing food for and with others; in our circles telling our stories; and in our play.

Come prepared to engage fully, offer what you can, and ask for what you need. Be ready to embrace the richness of a shared, enlivened experience with open-hearted men.

REGISTRATION

Registration accepted on a first come, first served basis up to the 30 attendees capacity. Email Peter at << crosland@actrix.co.nz >> to register interest and to receive further information including fee payment.

ACCOMMODATION COST

The cost for your bed for the three nights will be \$125

If your money is tight, please contact Peter or Stephen and as a group we will support your attendance.

WHAT TO BRING

More details will be provided to registered participants nearer the time of the event. Following are the main things to note.

FOOD

The Gathering will be self-catering.

Bring your own breakfasts and food to share for combined lunches and dinners, which we will prepare communally.

BEDDING, ETC

Bring your own:

- sleeping bag or bedding + pillowcase
- towel
- warm clothing + blanket + folding chair for campfire circles

INSTRUMENTS, READINGS

Bring your guitars, drums, your poems and favourite quotes, and your singing voices.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Peter or Stephen with inquiries, and email Peter to register.

If it feels right, please actively spread the word about this event to your men's networks as we are looking to attract men from across the lower half of the North Island and the top of the South Island.

You may wish to invite another man to come with you who hasn't experienced a Men's Circle.

We look forward to sharing the weekend with you all.

Warm regards
Peter and Stephen
Co-organisers in Wellington

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