

# SAVANNA MOON MUSIC CELEBRATION

August 19-21, 2016

Let's create an amazing event this summer! If you are interested in the Savanna Moon Celebration, or have already registered, this document will provide more information about the event.

Our inspiration for this event is derived from attending the 40<sup>th</sup> and final Michigan Womyn's Music festival last year, our ongoing commitment to building compassionate communities, and our desire to share the healing energies of our homeland. We are a small production team with limited resources. We ask that you help us birth this event. Embracing a philosophical approach of: How can I contribute, how can I take care of my own needs and what can I let go of so that women with different lifestyles can all attend in peace will go a long way in creating a safe, nurturing and harmonious event.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### *Is this a **women's only** event?*

Yes, the vision for this event is to create healing and community building space for women.

### *What time can we **arrive** on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>?*

Registration starts at 2:00 p.m. Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> and goes until 10:00 p.m.

### *What are the **camping** facilities?*

We will have three forms of camping available.

- 1) Most of the camp space is designated for tent camping, shaded camp spaces are limited and small tents will have more options for shade camping, beyond that there are lots of partially shaded or full sun spots to set up bigger camps.
  - 2) We have a limited number of spaces available for campers, vans, or popups that will **not** be using generators. No hook-ups, but water and portajanes are nearby.
  - 3) We have some space for RVs that will be using generators. We do not have hookups or portajanes in this area. It is about a 400 yard walk down our gravel driveway from the RV area to the activities areas.
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- ❖ There will be faucets where you can get dish washing and drinking water, and a place to brush your teeth, etc.
  - ❖ We will have Portajanes in a few locations on the land, including one differently abled facility

- ❖ We have limited facilities here, but will have one *cold* shower set up. Also, there are lots of tree branches to hang a solar shower from as well as acres of sun drenched prairie to warm them.

***If I am brand new to drumming can I attend the workshops? Will I keep up?***

Workshops are designed to be suitable for first time drummers to advanced drummers. Ubaka is amazingly skilled at bringing new drummers into the rhythms. This is an incredible way to start drumming – in a community of supportive women.

***Will there be opportunities for advanced drummers to learn new things?***

Yes! The Saturday night Fishbowl Workshop is designed for especially for advanced drummers to get tips from Ubaka to deepen/improve their drumming skills and experience. She will offer instruction aimed at new drummers throughout the weekend. The focus of the Saturday night workshop will be for Ubaka to provide tips and guidance to advanced drummers.

***If I am coming to join the celebration for the weekend but not attending the workshops, can I listen to the drummers and dance?***

Please do! Drumming is way more exciting and complete with dancers!

***What are the food arrangements?***

Included in the ticket prices is the Saturday night community dinner. The vegetarian meal will be made from locally grown and prepared organic food, and will include gluten-free elements.

You will need to bring and prepare food for other meals. We will have an area set up with a tent and tables for you to use your cook stoves, store your coolers, etc. If it is not raining, there are lots of nice places to sit on the lawn and eat. In case of rain, there will be space in the food tent to eat, and space in an open pole barn. If you can bring your own chairs to use in the food area that will be helpful.

***Differently abled Sisters***

Being a rustic farm site and our first year to host an event, we have limited funds and infrastructure. We will save a few of the campsites closest to the activities for women that are not able to travel the longer distances. There will be a handicap accessible bathroom in the core area of the activities zone. The surface of the ground will be gravel road or mowed lawn grass. At this time we are working out the logistics of where the drumming tent can go – one possibility may involve a hill. Let us know your needs and we will do our best to accommodate.

***Are there hotel or B&B options to stay nearby?***

There are a few hotels and B&B's in the area. Make reservations ASAP to get the event dates. The closest towns are Pepin and Stockholm. In Pepin there is The Pepin Motel, the Great River

Amish Inn, and A Summer Place B&B. In Stockholm there is the Spring Street Inn. There are also several B&B's and listings on AirB&B near Pepin and Stockholm. One Air B&B house that just came online is a short drive to the farm, see "Beautiful Country Getaway" on Goatback Road.

**Note:** Some hotels across the Mississippi River may state they are only 1 or 2 miles from Pepin or Stockholm, but only if you have a big boat!

***What type of **vehicles** are allowed on the land for traveling around beyond the designated car camping areas?***

Any type of wheelchair (including electric) is allowed anywhere on mowed areas or trails. Bicycles and other not motorized transportation is allowed on the main driveway, especially for travel to and from the RV area. No motorized vehicles are permitted in the workshop, camping or prairie trails areas.

***Since we will be camping, can we have **campfires**?***

Because much of the land surrounding the festival/homestead is restored prairie and potentially very dry at this time of year, we need to limit campfires to the designated fire pit. All smoking will also be confined to a designated area. Because, while fire is actually good for the prairie, it would prove to be inconvenient during the festival.

***Ticket Refund Policy***

- ❖ Tickets are refundable, minus a \$25 administrative fee, up to 30 days prior to the festival. Because this is an event we are producing on a shoestring, we ask the participant to consider a donation to help ensure the success of this event this year and into the future.
- ❖ Tickets cancelled up to 14 days prior to the event can receive a refund of 50% of the purchase price.
- ❖ Tickets are non-refundable less than 14 days prior to the festival.
- ❖ All tickets are fully transferrable to another woman. Simply contact the festival and provide the name of the new attendee.
- ❖ There are no refunds due to inclement weather or acts of the Goddess. This is an outdoor event and will be held rain or shine. Women should come prepared for the elements.
- ❖ Any refunds will be sent post festival.