

PHOTOGRAPHING FROM WITHIN

Arthur Fink

February 17-19, 2012

Program cost of \$180
includes program, meals
and accommodation
Friday dinner through
Sunday lunch.

Scholarships are
available - please ask!
For registration info:
www.woolmanhill.org
or 413-774-3431.

NOTE:

This program will run
concurrently with a
handiwork retreat,
"Knitting with Others."

WOOLMAN HILL
Quaker Retreat Center
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This will be a weekend of photographing from within, with time for silent worship together, for creating pictures, and for sharing our work, our process, and our spiritual journey. Our goal is to broaden our vision, open our spiritual awareness, and, as we do this, learn how to take more expressive pictures. We'll use a worship sharing mode as we consider the images we're carrying within and the images we see around us. Out of this space, we'll let photographs arise. Then we'll spend time together sharing our process, and our discovery.

Note that this is NOT a workshop about photographic technique. It's about inward visual and outward expression, about how artistic work helps us both discover and celebrate our spiritual truths. In fact, much of our time will be spent seeing pictures, but not actually using the camera. You don't need lots of photographic experience to join this workshop, though you should feel passionate about taking and making pictures that speak from within.

Arthur Fink a Quaker photographer and creativity coach, has led workshops on photography, art and spirit at Woolman Hill, Friends General Conference, the Alcyon Center, and other venues. In the preface to his book of dance photography, he wrote: "Being in the studio as dances are created, or even as dancers prepare themselves, feels like being in a delivery room as children are being born. Amidst pain or anguish..., tempered with rhythm and support, and bolstered with faith, new life emerges. It's physical, sometimes sensual, often spiritual. Too often this process is ignored, as image makers look only at the final result - the dance."



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COST & REGISTRATION

The standard rate for this retreat is \$180 (with a sliding scale of \$150-\$220). The fee includes program, lodging and food. Commuter rate is \$130. Please ask if you need additional scholarship funds. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is required to hold a space for a program. If you need to cancel, the deposit can be applied toward a future workshop.

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE

Plan to arrive after 5pm Friday evening, in time for dinner at 6:30. The workshop will end by 2pm on Sunday. We are centrally located in western Massachusetts, close to both I-91 and Route 2. For those arriving by car, we will send directions when you register. Please let us know if you'd be interested in carpooling. The nearest Amtrak train station is in Amherst. Vermont Transit and Peter Pan bus lines stop in Greenfield. Please contact us to arrange a ride from these stations.

ROOM & BOARD

Our 19th-century farmhouse has hand-hewn beams and wide pine floors, with simple dorm-style lodging. The meetinghouse and the first floor of the main building are wheelchair accessible. We serve nourishing, primarily vegetarian, home-cooked meals and always offer a vegetarian option. Please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions. Part of the community building at each retreat includes the joyful sharing of meal chores and clean-up.

WHAT TO BRING

Please bring your own toiletries, towels, and bedding (sleeping bag or sheets and blankets or comforter). Pillows are provided. Be sure to bring seasonally appropriate clothes and comfortable indoor and outdoor footwear. You might also like to bring a flashlight, journal, musical instrument... Please do NOT bring pets or candles. Cell phone reception is limited and we have limited internet access. We encourage guests to consider whether cell phone or computer use will detract from their experience of being fully present, here and now.

To register for this program, please fill out the information below and send it to us with a \$50 deposit made payable to Woolman Hill. The balance is due at the beginning of the workshop. For more details about our programs and facilities, please visit our website (www.woolmanhill.org) or use the above contact information.

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NAME:	
E-MAIL:	PHONE:
ADDRESS:	
MONTHLY MEETING (if applicable):	
Enclosed is \$ _____. I plan to pay a total of \$ _____ on the sliding scale of \$150-\$220 (\$180 standard rate).	
DIETARY, HOUSING, OR OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS:	