

Consensus: Body & Soul

Registration Form

Manorville, NY
February 24-26, 2012

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Organization _____

Tuition: \$250 \$ _____

*(sliding scale reflecting personal
economic circumstances)*

Total registration \$ _____

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Activist **C.T. Lawrence Butler** has written three books: *On Conflict and Consensus*, *Food Not Bombs: How to Feed the Hungry and Build Community*, and the soon to be published *Consensus for Cities*. He travels extensively teaching

nonviolent conflict resolution and consensus decisionmaking.

He has facilitated over 100 consensus workshops in the US. In addition, various organizations have sponsored workshops by C.T. in Stockholm, Ottawa, London, and Paris and Nairobi. Groups he teaches include government agencies, schools, Indian Tribes, Co-housing groups, professional associations, religious organizations and Intentional Communities.



Wren Tuatha is Artist-in-Residence at Heathcote Community, where she has lived and taught for fifteen years. She facilitates ZEGG Forum and teaches consensus. She created and facilitated Heathcote's Open Classroom program for homeschoolers. Wren

does outreach for Intentional Communities through the Facebook group **TRIBE: Choosing Intentional Community** and the writing project:

HippieChickDiaries.com

Wren is currently writing a book, *Consensus for Children*, about her experiences in Open Classroom and twenty-five years as an alternative educator.

We are the 99%

Fiopa Consensus Collective

presents

Consensus: Body & Soul

a 3-day Workshop



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"so that all voices may be heard"



FIOPA CONSENSUS COLLECTIVE

(C.T. Butler & Wren Tuatha and others) have visited over 14 Occupy sites, teaching consensus, facilitation, conflict resolution, mediation, affinity group/spokes-council structure, agenda planning, minutes taking, values identification, Food Not Bombs, nonviolence, de-escalation, Intentional Community, JoHari Window, and more.

As the Occupy Movement morphs into new forms beyond tent cities and sustainable GA's, these deep consensus skills are more important than ever.

Even as we work for the rights and the voice of the 99%, Occupy activists are recognizing that their groups are by definition "not everyone". They consist of those who sign on to a set of values and agreements of behavior. Having clearly articulated codes of conduct actually creates safe space and is the groundwork for inclusivity!

C.T. Butler and Wren Tuatha have been going deeper into the nature of consensus, how to teach it and how to

help groups succeed. We've gotten clear that while consensus is amazing and transformative, its use requires a major paradigm shift for most groups. It's more than just exchanging Robert's Rules for Butler's. C.T. isn't just offering new software, so to speak, but a whole new operating system.

We designed this skill-building workshop to help Occupy activist, Intentional Communities, non-profit organizations, spiritual groups, families, etc., succeed in their goals through awareness of the structures of: group dynamics, decisionmaking, conflict resolution, mediation, listening, and communication that integrates head, heart and gut.

PROBLEMS

- Does your group feel a time pressure when making decisions?
- In discussions, does everyone get a turn to speak?
- Does your group accomplish its goals?
- Do some people dominate? Is there burnout?
- Is the workload uneven?
- Is your organizational structure vague?
- Does it seem members just don't hear each other?
- Do people check out your group but then stop attending?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO REINVENT THE WHEEL!

SOLUTION

Schedule our 3-day immersion, called **Consensus: Body and Soul**.

"Simply put, it is all about finding the voice of the group."

After thirty years in the field of consensus, C.T. presents a clear vision of egalitarian direct democracy through the use of horizontal structure and a process that *brings to life the common values* within the group.

As we travel to various cities, we are collecting best practices and techniques from each Occupy as well as our own stories from the road.



FUNDRAISING

Contact Wren @ Fiopa Collective for more information about how you can become involved in this culture changing experience. We operate on a sliding scale and depend upon generous donations from people with financial resources to make this happen. Please, if you support this vision, consider making a tax-deductible donation today!

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