

# APPRENTICE PROGRAM Prospectus 2024

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The School of Shamanic Womancraft (SSW) Apprentice Programs (APs) nurture and grow the new leaders of the new paradigm that holds at its heart a sense of inner authority and inner power for all involved.

The Apprentice is a woman awake to the transformational potential of the inner shamanic journey inherent in the ongoing cycle of everything. She is able and prepared to 'hold the space' for others, and able and prepared to delve deeply for herself. She holds the community of women united for this purpose fulfilling her role as required.

The purpose of the APs is to nurture and 'grow' Teachers of the Shamanic Womancraft modality and programs of the SSW including the 4/8SJ, Earth Woman online journey and Shamanic Womancraft Retreats. The APs support Apprentices to become Teachers who are experienced and qualified to deliver their own programs and/or once accredited, to work for the SSW as facilitators.

The APs contribute to the missions of 'spreading the word', 'raising consciousness' and to participate in the healing of the feminine. The APs seeks to support healing, individually and collectively. Each individual is honoured as both student and teacher, able to share equally in the giving and receiving of the community.

The APs are a further extension of the SSW's mission to enable eldership and leadership, holding a unique space for each woman to know and claim her own sovereignty.

As a representative of the SSW an Apprentice needs to remain mindful of her words and actions, recognizing and living a level of awareness and accountability in each moment. It is important that, as representatives of the SSW, we are "walking our talk" and being the healed feminine in all that we do. This includes our interactions in the world both within and outside of our gatherings and circle work. Each Apprentice needs to practice and develop an experiential understanding of the work in their daily life, especially the wisdom of the cycles, honouring the sabbats and lunar phases, to be a living example of the work.

Apprentices will experience the 4/8SJ learning material in person at gatherings as well as home study practices through comprehensive online programs, allowing for a deeper exploration of the material.

This is the call of the Goddess that you have answered!





## GRADUATE PROGRAMS

The School of Shamanic Womancraft offers a range of study pathways for Students and graduates of the Four or Eight Seasons Journey (4/8SJ) and Earth Woman (EW)

# 4/8SJ or EW (by application) Graduate Pathways

#### 4SJ Return

For graduates of the 4/8SJ and EW who want to return and be in circle again, to go deeper with their inner spiritual work. This option sees women enrol in the 4SJ at the discounted early bird price and go through the year as a journey woman.

#### Shamanic Womancraft Apprentice Program (SWAP)

For graduates of the 4/8SJ who want to deepen their skills and experience through being in service at a 4SJ with a view to continue with the Teacher Training Program or gain the skills to facilitate their own programs.

## Shamanic Womancraft Teacher Training Program (SWTT)

For graduates of the 4/8SJ who want to learn facilitation skills, and learn how to teach the 4SJ, with a view to be a SSW teacher or gain the skills to facilitate their own programs.

#### Workshop Apprentice Program (WAP)

For graduates of the 4/8SJ or EW (by application) who want to learn how to facilitate one-day workshops (Moonsong, Shamanic Dimensions of Pregnancy, Autumn Woman, Harvest Queen) on behalf of SSW or learn the skills for their own work.

#### Praxis

For graduates of the 4/8SJ or EW (by application) who wish to become certified Shamanic Womancraft Practitioners and focus their work on practicing the shamanic womancraft modality through 1:1 sessions.



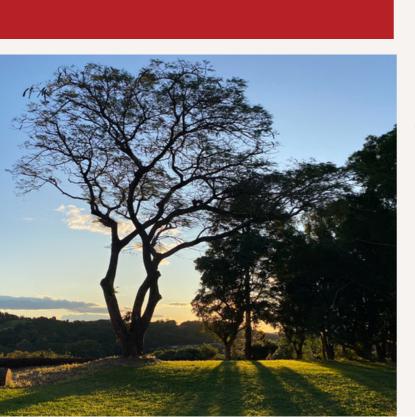
## AIMS OF THE PROGRAMS

- To grow women leaders for the paradigm shift that is occurring.
- To experience a deepening of the subjects and teaching content of the 4/8SJ course.
- To develop facilitation skills to work effectively with groups.
- To support women to raise their professional profiles as Shamanic Craftswomen in their own communities.

## GRANDMOTHER CLAUSE

Qualification for entry into and graduation from the SSW APs may be granted via the Grandmother clause, which recognises a student's prior learning and experience that may offer her possible exemption from otherwise prerequisite pathways of advancement.

All decisions related to progression through the AP and the Grandmother clause are at the exclusive discretion of the Director of the SSW, Jane Hardwicke Collings (JHC).





# ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The role of the Apprentice is to support the Teachers in the facilitation of the program, taking on particular tasks and responsibilities, learning as you go and to be in service to the journey women.

The Apprentice is required to hold the space for what can be a challenging and emotional environment for many women, while also holding herself, in a place of witness to her own process.

The Apprentice is here in a role of service. To serve and aid the journey women. There is space before, after and in between gatherings, for the Apprentice to go into and explore deeply their own process.

The Apprentice knows and trusts that she is there to be a part of Circle as Shaman, and as another face of the Goddess.





# SHAMANIC WOMANCRAFT APPRENTICE PROGRAM (SWAP)

Shamanic Womancraft Apprenticeship Program (SWAP) is a 3 year training program that incorporates attending 3 years of the Four Seasons Journey in an apprentice role and undertaking the Moonsong Workshop Apprentice Program (MS WAP).

The addition of the MS WAP to SWAP is to ensure all apprentices have the knowledge and experience in understanding and teaching the wheel and the wisdom of the cycles, which is the core of all SSW courses.

#### **Apprentices will:**

- Complete three years apprenticing to a Four Seasons Journey (4SJ)
- Complete Moonsong Apprentice Program (can be completed during A1, A2 or A3)

#### Costs for 2024\*:

\$5000.00 per year of SWAP (full payment) or \$5520.00 (12 month payment plan of \$460/month)

\$2200.00 for MS WAP or \$2400.00 (12 month payment plan \$200.00/month)

\*prices are subject to change beyond 2024

#### Work opportunities include:

- Moonsong workshops
- Shamanic Womancraft workshops/programs
- Retreats
- Online programs







# Essential Requirements to Complete the SWAP

The SWAP is a course which applies a combination of in-person support and learning at 4SJ gatherings and online home studying.

For each year of your SWAP you need to complete the following:

- Attend every 4SJ gathering for the year, arriving the day before the journey women for set up and preparation circle and teachings, and remain until the following day for pack up and a debrief circle (approx. 33 days/year)
- Attend 3 one-day workshops, Moonsong, Shamanic Dimensions of Pregnancy and Autumn Woman Harvest Queen with Jane Hardwicke Collings each year
- Complete online home study course units of readings, videos, audios and reflections (approx. 80 hours/year).
- Demonstrate learning outcomes via video/audio/written methods and submit to your Teacher (approx.20 hours/year).
- Attend live zoom calls with Teachers prior to gatherings (approx. 12 hours/year).
- Participate in Womancraft Wisdom Circles with other Apprentices and Teachers (approx. 12 hours/year).
- Participate in mid year calls with Jane Hardwicke Collings (approx 1-2 hours)
- Complete compulsory professional development units (approx. 30 hours/year).



To progress and continue your SWAP from year to year, you must attend all gatherings, complete each home study unit and meet all learning outcomes.

All course work, online home study units, dates for webinars will be accessible through the Temple in your Apprentice course.

It is recommended that all Apprentices attend the annual MerConference as a way of developing their skills and staying connected with the larger SSW Glad.

You will be required to enrol in and complete the Moonsong Workshop Apprentice Program at some stage during your SWAP. This can either be done during one of your three apprenticeship years or done separately.

You will not be considered graduated until all requirements of the SWAP are complete.





# SHAMANIC WOMANCRAFT TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM

Shamanic Womancraft Teacher Training (SWTT) Program is a 4+ year training program that incorporates attending and graduating from the 3 years of the Four Seasons Journey, graduating as a Moonsong Teacher and graduating from the Praxis training to become a certified Shamanic Womancraft Practitioner.

The addition of the MS WAP to this program is to ensure all apprentices have the knowledge and experience in understanding and teaching the wheel and the wisdom of the cycles, which is the core of all SSW courses.

The addition of Praxis is to ensure that all graduated teachers of this program have all the required upgrades and skills of a Shamanic Womancraft Practitioner to be able to support both Students and Apprentices on the Four Seasons Journey.

#### **Apprentices will:**

- Complete three years of attending SWAP and apprenticing to a 4SJ
- Complete Moonsong Workshop Apprentice Program (can be completed in A1, A2, A3 or separately)
- Complete Praxis certification (can be completed in A1, A2, A3 or separately)
- Complete JHC's three ecourses (Snake Medicine, Pregnancy the Inner Journey, AWHQ) (cost inclusive of fees)
- Complete final Intern year of Shamanic Womancraft Teacher Training Program (eligibility criteria must have completed Praxis and Moonsong training to complete the full training program)



#### Costs for 2024\*:

\$5000.00 per year of SWAP (full payment) or \$5520.00 (12 month payment plan of \$460/month)

\$2200.00 for MS WAP or \$2400.00 (12 month payment plan \$200.00/month)

\$3500.00 for Praxis or \$3600.00 (12 month payment plan \$300.00/month)

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#### Work opportunities include:

- Teacher of 4SJ within SSW
- Teacher of Shamanic Womancraft
  programs
- Earth Woman teacher
- Shamanic Womancraft Certified
  Practitioner
- 1:1 Private mentorships with SSW



# Essential Requirements to Complete the SWTT

The SWTT Program covers a combination of inperson support and learning at 4SJ gatherings and online home studying.

For each year of your SWTT you need to complete the following:

- Attend every 4SJ gathering for the year, arriving the day before the journey women for set up and preparation circle and teachings, and remain until the following day for pack up and a debrief circle (approx. 33 days/year)
- Attend 3 one-day workshops, Moonsong, Shamanic Dimensions of Pregnancy and Autumn Woman Harvest Queen with Jane Hardwicke Collings each year
- Complete online home study course units of readings, videos, audios and reflections (approx. 80 hours/year).
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To progress and continue your SWTT from year to year, you must attend all gatherings, complete each home study unit and meet all learning outcomes.

All course work, online home study units, dates for webinars will be accessible through your Apprentice Course in the Temple.

It is recommended that all Apprentices attend the annual MerConference as a way of developing their skills and staying connected with the larger SSW Glad.

During your SWTT you will complete additional modules:

- Attend and complete Praxis training
- Attend and complete Moonsong workshop apprentice Program
- Demonstrate facilitation skills (develop and facilitate programs/circles/retreats/workshops in community)
- Demonstrate co-teaching facilitation skills
- Gain qualification in Mental Health First Aid
- Gain qualification in Remote Wilderness First
  Aid



# SWAP Responsibilities and Demonstrated Learning Outcomes

## First Year of supporting a 4SJ

- Priestess role
- Physical support of the running of the camp
- Model witness perspective
- Model active listening
- Observation
- Complete Online course work and participate in all aspects of the program
- Develop stamina, and self care required to maintain stamina
- Develop initiative and planning
- Develop self awareness

#### Second Year of supporting a 4SJ

- Increase in Priestess role
- Some co-facilitation, depending on group size and number of Apprentices. The Apprentice maybe invited to co-facilitate or teach a part of the 4SJ Gathering, (at the discretion of their Teacher/s) when required. This may include: grounding, invocation, cosmic weather report, matron goddess, animal ally, and occasional processes as required.
- Physical support of the running of the camp
- Model witness perspective
- Model active listening
- Observation
- Complete online course work and participate in all aspects of the program
- Demonstrate stamina, and self care required to maintain stamina
- Demonstrate initiative and planning
- Demonstrate self-awareness





# SWAP Apprentice Responsibilities and Demonstrated Learning Outcomes

## Third Year of supporting a 4SJ

- Increasing Priestess role
- Some co-facilitation, depending on group size and number of Apprentices. The Apprentice maybe invited to co-facilitate or teach a part of the 4SJ Gathering, (at the discretion of their Teacher/s) when required. This may include: grounding, invocation, cosmic weather report, matron goddess, animal ally, and occasional processes as required.
- Physical support of the running of the camp
- Model witness perspective
- Model active listening
- Observation
- Complete online course work and participate in all aspects of the program.
- participate in assisting with administrative tasks like run sheets etc
- participate in assisting with Wilderness Solo gear, menus, run sheets, medical forms etc
- Demonstrate stamina, and self care required to maintain stamina
- Demonstrate initiative and planning
- Demonstrate self-awareness





# SWTT Apprentice Responsibilities and Demonstrated Learning Outcomes

## Intern Teaching Year

- Support the Teacher(s)
- Increase your Priestess role
- Some co-facilitating, depending on group size, the Intern will be invited to co-facilitate or teach particular parts of the 4SJ Gathering from the run sheet, (at the discretion of their Teacher/s) when required. This may include: grounding, invocation, cosmic weather report, matron goddess, animal ally, and occasional processes as required.
- Physical support of the running of the camp
- Model witness perspective
- Model active listening
- Observation
- Complete online course work and participate in all aspects of the program
- Demonstrate self responsibility to prepare yourself to be a Teacher of the program (ie: becoming aware of what you still need to learn, asking for support and engaging in 1:1 mentoring with teacher/s to help prepare for teaching)
- Read through the 4SJ gathering runsheets and add your own teaching stories in your own words, language and medicine way
- Add your particular skills to the program as required (i.e.: facilitate movement practices or write personalised sabbat rituals etc.)
- Demonstrate administrative skills and ability to fully plan and organize all aspects of each 4SJ gathering
- Demonstrate planning skills around all aspects of wilderness solo gathering including co-ordinating menus, communal gear, stock ordering etc.



- Demonstrate responsibility in preparation and facilitation of your own work/event/retreat that runs for more than a day
- Practice individual skills and medicine in your Intern year, taking opportunities to practice live during 4SJ gatherings with your Teachers
- Demonstrate stamina, and self care required to maintain stamina for duration of gatherings
- Demonstrate initiative and planning
- Demonstrate self-awareness skills



## Duty of Care

The Duty of Care forms, provided by your Teachers, need to be completed each year that you Apprentice.

#### First Aid

To enrol in the APs, Apprentices are required to hold a 1st Aid Certificate in accordance with Work Health and Safety procedures.



## **Essential Requirements**

## Sacred Commitment

The Apprentice will enter into an agreement, a "sacred commitment" with the SSW and Teachers of the program they apprentice to.

This signed agreement clarifies the obligations and responsibilities of both Apprentices and Teachers in the AP. You will be provided with a copy to review before your innerview.

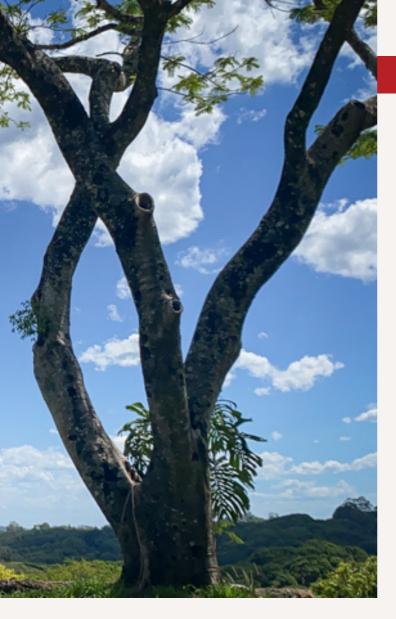
#### Insurance

To enrol in the APs, Apprentices are required to have full practitioner insurance for the modality of Shamanic Womancraft. AON Insurance will insure practitioners directly. You may choose to become a member of the IICT.

Please contact AON directly, for more information and how to purchase your Professional Indemnity and Public Liability insurance.

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## Conflict Resolution and Grievance

SSW has a clear grievance and conflict resolution pathway that we follow for any issues or grievances that are brought to our attention. We first approach any issue in the "way of Shamanic Womancraft" utilizing heart sharing, sacred wound work and other "midwifery" tools.

If there are issues that cannot be resolved by this approach, an independent support person trained in conflict resolution may be used for assisting the matter.

We urge all Apprentices to become familiar with these policies and contact us if they need any support with conflict issues.



## Essential Requirements continued...

#### Womancraft Wisdom Circles

Womancraft Wisdom Circles provide a community space for continuing education. SSW Teachers and Apprentices meet bi-monthly on zoom to discuss books listed in the 4SJ and suggested readings, to deepen their understanding and engage in discourse and discussions based on the foundational teachings of the 4SJ program and deepening knowledge of First Nations knowledge and experience.

#### Professional Development

The SSW has ongoing professional development programs for all Teachers and Apprentices of SSW. Apprentices need to engage with and complete the activities in the professional development program. This program involves online, live and in person workshops as required.





# GRADUATION AND TEACHING

Once a SWAP or SWTT has been completed, you will be listed on the School of Shamanic Womancraft website as a graduate Teacher.

When you have completed your SWTT and if a teaching position is available within the School, you may have the opportunity to work for the SSW. New Four and Eight Seasons Journey programs are created in line with the larger vision of the expansion of the School and not all locations will be considered for future courses. If a location and position are available, Teachers are required to demonstrate self-responsibility and build their profile as a Teacher of the SSW to call in the women to launch any new courses.

There are additional opportunities for SWTT Teachers to teach new and emerging programs with the SSW including:

- Earth Woman online course
- Shamanic Womancraft Retreats (SWR) Teachers attend a SWR, at their cost, to experience and understand the unique flow of the five-day program.
- Earth Woman Rising Retreat (EWR) The signature overseas program, Teachers attend a EWR, as an Apprentice, to experience and understand the unique flow of the eight-day program. This program will require further consultation with JHC before teaching.

Teachers working through the SSW will enter into formal contracts outlining all details required.

As a graduate Teacher, you are free to teach your own, independent course, utilising the skills you developed during your AP, but may not use the name, branding or documents containing the branding of the School of Shamanic Womancraft, unless advised by the Director.

There are opportunities for dreaming and growth of new courses under the umbrella of the SSW.



## ENROLMENT PROCESS

#### Registration

If you have any questions regarding the course or the enrolment process, please email them through to Arahni at info@schoolofshamanicwomancraft.com and we will assist you either by email or phone.

Sign up for the Info Webinar to receive the webinar link + recording if you can't attend live.

<u>Complete your AP registration form here</u> and ensure you have emailed your insurance and 1st aid certificates to Arahni at info@schoolofshamanicwomancraft.com.

Complete your payment through the payment pathway.

An 'innerview' with your 4SJ Teachers will be organized to discuss the AP including the sacred commitment agreement with SSW.

Prior to your Opening Gathering, you will be given access to the online SSW Temple Apprentice Course where the readings, videos, audios and course work can be found, downloaded and completed.

All documents must be returned, and payments made in order for you to begin your Apprentice year.

If you have any outstanding fees, from your 4SJ year or prior apprentice years, they must be paid off, or be in a payment plan in order to begin the next year of your apprenticeship.

All assignments, self reflections and requirements must be met before apprentices move from one year to the next.

Fee details are listed above on pages 4 & 6

#### General Fee Terms and Conditions

Fees cover all accommodation, catering, materials, administration and mentoring costs at gatherings and support and mentoring during the year. Travel costs incurred throughout the Apprentice's Four or Eight Seasons Journey are their own responsibility.



# FOUR SEASONS JOURNEY - LOCATION, DATES, TEACHERS

## Byron Bay NSW 4SJ 2024

Opening Gathering	Friday Feb 16 - Sunday Feb 18
Full Moon Gathering	Sunday Mar 24 - Tuesday Mar 26
Dark Moon Gathering	Wednesday Jun 5 - Friday June 7
Wilderness Solo	Friday Oct 4 - Sunday Oct 13
Wilderness Solo Debrief	Friday Nov 8 - Sunday Nov 9
Closing Gathering	Friday Dec 13 - Sunday Dec 15

## Blue Mountains NSW 4SJ 2024

Opening Gathering	Friday Mar 1 - Sunday Mar 3
Full Moon Gathering	Friday Jun 21 - Sunday Jun 23
Dark Moon Gathering	Friday Aug 2 - Sunday Aug 4
Wilderness Solo	Tuesday Oct 29 - Thursday Nov 7
Wilderness Solo Debrief	Tuesday Nov 26 - Thursday Nov 28
Closing Gathering	Friday Jan 17 - Sunday Jan 19

## Ballnarring Beach VIC 4SJ 2024

Opening Gathering	Friday Feb 23 - Sunday Feb 25
Full Moon Gathering	Sunday Mar 24 - Tuesday Mar 26
Dark Moon Gathering	Wednesday Jun 5 - Friday June 7
Wilderness Solo	Monday Oct 7 - Wednesday Oct 16
Wilderness Solo Debrief	Friday Nov 15 - Sunday Nov 17
Closing Gathering	Saturday Feb 1 - Monday Feb 3 2025



Sequoia Glastonbury



Lua Mignot Hodges



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For all questions and enquiries about our graduate pathways, please contact:



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