

Midwinter Agriculture Intensive 2025 Presentations

FULCRUM FARM, FROM BLANK CANVAS TO FARM ORGANISM WITH MARNEY BLAIR

Friday 1/12 @7:30pm

Marney Blair will guide us through the stages of manifestation for Fulcrum farm. Beginning with a gift, a blank canvas, we gather a sense of place: exploring colors, smells, movement of the wind, and visitations of wildlife. We will hear how the farmers used their will forces to integrate this knowledge into living thinking concepts—mainly the beginnings of a farm organism. Lastly, we will travel into the realm of the physical world and talk about the various structures built by the farmers, construction choices, and amount of structures.

Suggested Reading: "Awakening To Landscape" by Jochen Bockemuhl, pages 208-212 and 267-268

WISE DIGESTORS: COWS AS SOIL ENHANCERS WITH MARNEY BLAIR

Saturday 1/13 @3:45pm

Cows live in the diaphragm of the farm. Explore how their inward and outward gestures work to manifest a gift that balances the soil of the farm. The cow works with astral and etheric forces to create a wondrous substance for humans to work with and elevate into compost.

Suggested Reading: Principles of Biodynamic Spray and Compost Preparations by Manfred Klett, Behold the Bovine and Cow Care by Marney Blair (will be sent to participants)

MYTHS AND METAMORPHOSIS WITH MAC MEAD

Sunday 1/14 @3:45pm

The tree plays a central role in some indigenous cultures' creation myths and legends. The metamorphosis of the plant and especially of the tree as described by Rudolf Steiner in his agriculture lectures provides images and a foundation for understanding the fine interworkings of forces and substance in nature.

BEE-INGS OF WARMTH: A REMEDY TOWARDS WHOLENESS WITH MEGAN DURNEY

Sunday 1/14 @9:00am

The honeybee internalizes the sun, she visits nectaries and out of herself she is able to produce warmth. Her wise inner nature is pure in will, and her activities are transformative, always creating wholeness, preparing the way for Love.

Suggested Reading: Bees by Rudolf Steiner, the prelude, Lect 1, 3, and 8
The Festivals and Their Meaning, Ch. 5, Whitsun, the Festival of United Soul-endeavor

BIODYNAMIC PREPARATIONS AND ELEMENTALS WITH MAC MEAD

Monday 1/15 @9:00am

The elemental beings are interwoven in all that we see around us. Can it be that in making and applying the biodynamic preparations that we are fostering and nurturing these very special beings and helping unfold a future for them, ourselves, and the earth?

Suggested Readings: Agriculture Rudolf Steiner Lectures 4, 7, 8
Man as Symphony of the Creative Word Rudolf Steiner Lecture 7

