



The Santa Fe Vipassana Sangha

Offers

A Five Day Residential Retreat

Great Peace

September 28 through October 2, 2011

At The

Mountain Cloud Zen Center

Taught By

Eric Kolvig

We can enjoy deeper and deeper kinds of peace through our practice of awareness and love: the peace of calm, tranquility and freedom from anxiety; the peace of equanimity, seeing and accepting what is real; and the “peace that passes all understanding,” knowing that we are whole and beyond separation. In this retreat we will explore it all.

The teacher, Eric Kolvig, Ph.D. has been teaching in the Vipassana Buddhist tradition since 1985. He leads meditation retreats and gives public talks all around the US. Eric leads many retreats in the wilderness and is interested in the special value of spiritual practice in the natural world. He has a particular interest in “grassroots dharma”, building spiritual community in democratic, non-authoritarian ways. Eric has worked with many teachers but primarily with Joseph Goldstein and Sharon Salzberg, in the lineage of Mahasi Sayadaw of Burma, and also with Richard Clarke in the Zen lineage of Roshi Philip Kapleau. Eric lives in a rural intentional community in Northern New Mexico.

The Mountain Cloud Zen Center is on the edge of Santa Fe and is surrounded by the juniper forest native to the area. While close to Santa Fe the Center is isolated and large enough to provide for seclusion and the quietness needed to support the practice.

The Retreat will begin at 9:00 am on Wednesday, September 28 and complete at noon on Sunday, October 2, 2011.

Additional information and a registration form are on the next page

Additional Information

Accommodations: Accommodations will be rustic cabins with 4 Yogi's per cabin. The cabins have electricity and heat. Bathrooms and a shower are located in the central building with the dining room and meditation hall. Limited camping is also available. This retreat is intended as a residential retreat, but because of the closeness to Santa Fe a limited number of yogi's may commute from their homes. They will be expected to attend all retreat activities. Meals will be provided from lunch on Wednesday through breakfast on Sunday and will be vegetarian. A full meal will be served at lunch, with light breakfasts and dinners. We can accommodate some special dietary needs, but not all. Please check with the contact person below if you have special needs of any sort.

Dana: Since the time of the Buddha, the teachings have been given freely as they are considered to be priceless. This 2500 year old tradition is today sustained with the practice of Dana, a Pali word meaning generosity, allowing to yogi's offer their teachers recompense for the teachings at the retreat's end. The teachers receive no other financial compensation.

Fee: The fee for the retreat is on a sliding scale of \$125 to \$250. The estimated cost to this Sangha for the retreat is \$240, but because of the generosity of a member of our Sangha we will be able to offer the retreat at a reduced cost. Please pay as much as you can so that we can offer this retreat to all regardless of their financial situations. Also, please consider making a donation to the Sangha Scholarship Fund. A deposit of \$75 is required with your registration and may not be refunded after September 1, 2011.

Registration Form

Please complete this form and mail to Santa Fe Vipassana Sangha, c/o Jim Dunn, 751 Viento Circle, Santa Fe, NM 87501. For more information please contact Jim at 505-501-8036 or at jimdunn1@gmail.com. You will receive written confirmation and retreat information by mail.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E Mail: _____

Retreat Fee (\$125 - \$250) \$ _____

Donation \$ _____

(This is optional. You may specify donation for scholarships or general Sanhga expenses. These donations are tax deductible)

Total to be Paid \$ _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

(Must be at least the \$75 deposit. Please make checks payable to the Santa Fe Vipassana Sangha)

Special needs or food allergies: _____

Accommodation Preference (cabin, camping, commuting): _____