

STORYTELLING FOR TIMES OF TRANSITION

Tuesday 27th July 2010

Transition Tales are visions of a positive future. They help us imagine together a world in which we are meeting present day challenges, they can entice us to take the next step and affirm that, however small that step might feel, it's part of making the future we'd like a reality. They are also an especially effective way of engaging the creativity and imagination of young people.

In March 2010 storyteller Wynn Alice set off from her home in Totnes in Devon to walk around England. She will visit many places from Southampton – Forest Row – Cambridge – Nottingham – York – Appleby – Kendal – Wigan – Wolverhampton – Worcestershire – Hay-on-Wye – Bradford-on-Avon – Embercombe – Lostwithiel in Cornwall, and back to Totnes in September to write a book of Transition Tales.

Background: It all started in 2006 when Rob Hopkins (Transition Town Totnes (TTT), & co founder of the Transition Network) and other TTT-ers saw the need to involve young people in the process of visioning the future we would all like to see. Since then Transition Tales has been working in 4 local schools, and has presented at three South West conferences aimed at school children and educators, several Transition events in Totnes and London, a Summer Family Camp, as well as at the National Transition Conference in Battersea in May 2009, and the National Transition Scotland Gathering in December 2009.

The Course: The day will be facilitated by Steph Bradley from the Transition Network, as she walks through Worcestershire. We will take the story within each of us as a starting point to envision and create the possible collective stories of a positive future. We will also be sharing one of the key tools so far developed by the group – an interactive community game called "The Quest" – as well as a host of other innovative techniques for unleashing the storyteller in all of us.

Who is it for? The course is aimed at educators of all description; in fact anyone wanting to work with school and/or community groups of all ages to engage them in the process of visioning and develop Transition Tales in their area.

When: Tuesday 27th July 2010 9.30am - 5.30pm

Where: Bishops Wood Centre, Crossway Green, Worcestershire DY13 9SE

Cost: £90 (£60 concessions and members of Transition Groups in Worcestershire)



To book a place please contact Liz Branford on 01299 250513
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ABOUT STEPH

Stephanie Bradley

From walking everywhere she can, barefoot if possible, to a penchant for cooking freshly picked local food, Steph brings to her work her passion for living now how she envisions the future.

Her own journey of self discovery took her from working in primary schools, to teaching in Brazil, where she worked for many years with 4-80 year olds, developed a feel for working with teenagers, and trained many teachers to teach the person and not the subject, designing, developing and facilitating many courses for schools. On her return to the UK she coordinated large summer schools of hundreds of teenagers and teams of up to 40 teachers, preparing much of the resource material herself, always tailored to the individual.

Her personal discomfort with the society she found herself in led her to train as a yoga teacher, work on an MA that gave her the opportunity to examine & explore the body-mind split from both Eastern and Western perspectives, and to engage in movement therapy.

The philosophy that underpins her work with groups:

start with the individual, listen to and honour their journey, encourage the next step, allow synergy to emerge as each person finds their best role within the group. Support where the group want to take their work. Allow time and space for the process to unfold.

To Find Out More:

About the walk:

<http://transitionnetworknews.wordpress.com/2010/01/21/transition-ales-2010-quest>

How to donate: <http://www.charitygiving.co.uk/transitionales>

Read Steph's blog: <http://www.transitionnetwork.org/blogs/steph-bradley/>

Learn about Transition Network:

www.transitionnetwork.org

Read Rob Hopkin's blog:

<http://transitionculture.org/page/3>