



Santa Sabina Center

PROGRAM **2017**

Fostering Contemplative
Ways of Being



PRIVATE RETREAT OPTIONS

In 2017, we will have three regular monthly offerings:

- Tuesday evening, the Music of Hildegard
- Wednesday, the Day of Prayer
- Wednesday evening, the Teilhard de Chardin study circle

See special opportunities below. Each option requires pre-registration and pre-payment at least one week in advance.



Tuesday 3 p.m. to Wednesday 3 p.m. – \$100

Includes overnight stay on Tuesday, participation in the Hildegard evening and the Day of Prayer; light breakfast and deli sandwich on Wednesday.



Wednesday 9 a.m. to Thursday 10 a.m. – \$100

Includes Wednesday Day of Prayer, deli sandwich on Wednesday, Wednesday evening Teilhard study circle, overnight stay on Wednesday and light breakfast on Thursday morning.



Tuesday 3 p.m. to Thursday 10 a.m. – \$175

Includes Hildegard evening, Wednesday Day of Prayer, Wednesday evening Teilhard study circle, two overnights, light breakfast Wednesday and Thursday mornings and deli sandwich on Wednesday.



Private Stays by Arrangement – \$75 per night

Private stays at other times may be arranged when our calendar permits. An overnight stay with light breakfast is \$75 per person, single or double occupancy. Requires pre-registration and non-refundable deposit at least two weeks in advance.

RESIDENTIAL RETREAT SUBSCRIPTION PACKAGE

We are pleased to offer a rich and diverse set of programs for 2017. Should you like the idea of participating in more than one of these programs, perhaps the subscription options below will be especially attractive.



Three Weekend Retreats: \$1050

Requires pre-registration for the three retreats and payment in full at least one month prior to the first program.



One Week-long Retreat and One Weekend Retreat: \$950

Requires pre-registration for the two retreats and payment in full at least one month prior to the first program.

Dear Friends of Santa Sabina,

As we enter into these autumn days, we find ourselves moving toward the close of 2016! It hardly seems possible that three-quarters of this year has passed. What we know is that these intervening months held the blessing of rain to sustain us all a bit longer; and we know that our programs found special resonance with many this year. For that, your abiding interest and support, and so much more we give thanks!

We have just recently put the finishing touches on our programming for 2017 and so this booklet arrives on your doorstep to entice you to find your way once more to Santa Sabina for one of these special offerings. We are thrilled to have several of our favorite presenters returning – Michael Fish, OSB Cam; Joe Nassal, CPPS; Kim Stafford; and Mary Neill, OP. In addition, we are excited to have Cyprian Consiglio, OSB Cam, coming to lead our contemplative summer retreat. These gifted presenters will be sources of great spiritual inspiration and leadership for all who participate.

We call your attention to a unique event in June, our Contemplative Symposium focusing on the Intersections of Faith and the New Cosmology. We see this pivotal event as the next step in our journey, building on the deep understanding and insights of Teilhard de Chardin, geologist Thomas Berry and cosmologist Brian Thomas Swimme.

In fact, Brian helped birth this concept and has worked with us, as has Mary Evelyn Tucker and Jim Conlon. This week-long event will allow guests to engage with gifted contemporary theologians while also having time for dialogue, prayer and reflection. The days will provide substantive input and an opportunity for personal integration of the evolving understanding of the cosmos as it touches, impacts and shapes our faith perspectives and response. We are excited to welcome theologians Anne Marie Dalton, Heather Eaton and John Haught, as well as our facilitator, Margaret Galiardi, OP, for this symposium.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you in 2017. With our experience of this past year, we encourage you to register early for your favorite selections. In the meantime, we wish you every blessing as we enter into the season of Thanksgiving and the Celebration of Light, Life and Peace as we approach Christmas. May you and yours be blessed abundantly with health, hope and peace in the New Year!

Sister Margaret and the Staff of Santa Sabina Center

Retreat with Michael Fish, OSB, Cam

Merton's Mirror



Rather than a retreat on Thomas Merton, this weekend of contemplative reflection and prayer is an opportunity to allow the life and writing of Merton to challenge you. During these days, Merton, the man and monk, the artist and contemplative, will invite you to rediscover your “True Self,” embrace your complexity, face your humanity and establish a fresh and vibrant relationship with the Divine, others and creation. Thus Merton becomes a mirror to look honestly

at yourself, your life and the world. Michael Fish, OSB Cam, is a monk of the New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur, CA, who balances the times of contemplative solitude and the sharing of contemplative ways of being through offering retreats. A well-known and favorite retreat leader here at Santa Sabina Center, Michael is returning to offer us nurturance through sharing the wealth of spirituality and guidance embedded in the life and works of Thomas Merton. Visit his website for more details of his spiritual journey and resources, www.hermitfish.org.

Fee: \$450. Register by January 5, for discounted fee: \$400

Registration deposit: \$150

April 13 to 16, 2017

Triduum Retreat with Joe Nassal, CPPS

Celebrating the Triduum—the Paschal Journey



Our Triduum retreat will focus on the main liturgical celebration for each of these high holy days of the Christian year. With a simple Morning Prayer each day and significant time for personal prayer, reflection and rest we will be invited to enter deeply into the Paschal Mystery. Participants wishing to ground themselves in the fullness of this retreat may select the residential option. Those who find their time more limited may consider coming for a meal and liturgy on one or more days. Please

contact us for further details and the fee schedule for this option.

Author, retreat master and current provincial of the Kansas City Province of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, Joe Nassal, CPPS, brings his spiritual insights, love of liturgy and imaginative gifts of story-telling to retreatants and readers alike. We welcome Joe back to Santa Sabina for this communal celebration of the Paschal journey.

Fee: \$375. Register by March 5, for discounted fee: \$325

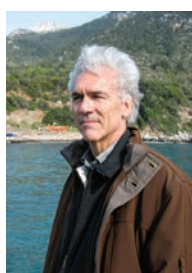
Registration deposit: \$150

Intersections: Faith and the New Cosmology

A contemplative symposium featuring presenters Anne Marie Dalton, Heather Eaton and John Haught, with a video welcome from Brian Thomas Swimme and facilitation by Margaret Galiardi, OP.



Participants are invited to use inquiry, theological reflection, dialogue and personal prayer as a means of integrating our current expanding understanding of the Cosmos with our faith response. Our guest presenters will each focus on a theme and develop it as part of a more complete engagement with the intersection of our expanding consciousness and understanding of the Cosmos, our place in it and our respective faith stance. This symposium/ retreat is open to persons of all faiths though a Christian orientation will be evident. It is recommended that participants be familiar with the New Cosmology/the New Story, i.e. the evolutionary reality of our Universe.



Fee: \$695. Register by May 1, for a discounted fee: \$625

Registration deposit: \$250

July 31 to August 5, 2017

Contemplative Retreat with Cyprian Consiglio, OSB Cam

The Silence and the Word, the Music and the Dance



Based on the thought and writings of Bede Griffiths, Raimundo Panikkar and his confrere Bruno Barnhart, Cyprian will explore the four-fold energies that make up Christian spirituality as well as the spirituality of Universal Wisdom in this six-day contemplative retreat. With a special accent on recovering the body, the earth and the feminine, Cyprian will focus throughout the retreat on practical spirituality and the praxis that embodies our thought. These days will allow for personal restoration in the midst of a rhythm of rest, silence, prayer and reflection. Cyprian

Consiglio, OSB Cam, is a monk, musician, and spiritual teacher. He is a member of the community of New Camaldoli Hermitage in Big Sur, CA. An internationally known performer, recording artist, and composer, he has numerous collections of original sacred, world, and liturgical music to his credit. A student of the world's spiritual traditions, Consiglio has offered retreats and conferences around the world and authored two books plus numerous articles for several books and periodicals.

Fee: \$625. Register by June 15, for a discounted fee: \$575

Registration deposit: \$250

Retreat with Kim Stafford

Writing for Happiness



Poet, essayist, and teacher Kim Stafford returns to Santa Sabina with an invitation to explore writing to awaken the self, sustain the spirit, and enrich the world. Kim will respond to the resonance of time together at Santa Sabina during which we will be called to insight, receptivity and counsel in the art of writing and the art of living. There will be time to listen, learn, write, share and reflect.

Kim Stafford grew up primarily in Oregon, following his parents as they taught and traveled through the West. He is the author of a dozen books of poetry and prose, and the director of the Northwest Writing Institute, and co-director of the Documentary Studies Certificate

Program at Lewis & Clark College, where he has taught since 1979. He holds a Ph.D. in medieval literature from the University of Oregon and has worked as a printer, photographer, oral historian, editor, and visiting writer at a host of colleges and schools, and offered writing workshops in Italy, Scotland, and Bhutan.

Fee: \$450. Register by October 6, for discounted fee: \$400

Registration deposit: \$150

December 1 to 3, 2017

Advent Retreat with Mary Neill, OP

In the Fullness of Time



“In the fullness of time, she brought forth the child, wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger.” As the Advent season opens, you are invited to take this weekend opportunity to ponder the mystery and fiction of time itself and our relationship to it and to open to those moments at the edge of time that seem beyond all undoing—that is Christ’s time, Christmas time. In the beauty of the holy space that is Santa Sabina, we will take these days to ponder the fullness and emptiness of this particular time in our lives.

Sister Mary Neill is Professor Emerita of USF and winner of the Distinguished Teaching Award. She has co-authored four books on spirituality, offered a variety of workshops and retreats and provides spiritual direction to a wide range of seekers. Mary brings the seriousness of the spiritual life into focus with humor and creativity. We are delighted to welcome Mary back to Santa Sabina.

Fee: \$325. Register by November 1, for a discounted fee: \$300

Registration deposit: \$125

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Contemplative Concert Series 2016 – 2017

December 4, 2016 – 3 p.m.

Bertina Boyadjiev, Harpist

Music of the Season

In her first appearance at Santa Sabina, Mrs. Boyadjiev, a popular Bay Area harpist will delight us with music of the season as we prepare for the holidays. She has selected a variety of works including those by Scarlatti, Handel, Debussy and Pescetti. A resident of Marin County, Bertina moved to the Bay Area in 1993. She studied first in her native Bulgaria and performed there; then, she completed her Masters in music from Indiana University. At present she performs with the Napa Valley Symphony, the Marin Symphony and the Mendocino Music Festival. Formerly a faculty member of the Music Conservatory at San Domenico School, she now teaches privately.



February 12, 2017 – 3 p.m.

MusicAEterna

Earthly Delights

MusicAEterna's Earthly Delights includes Darius Milhaud's joyous Suite and Peter Schickele's lyrical Quartet with guest artist, Tom Rose, clarinet. The world premiere, Earthly Delights, is inspired by Hieronymus Bosch's visual art and celebrates the artist's fifth centenary year. MusicAEterna artists, Santa Sabina's Ensemble in Residence, are: Aenea M. Keyes, violin; Michael Graham, cello; and Miles Graber, piano.



Amy Michele White and Dominic Schaner

Music of the Spheres: Celestial Harmonies and Earthly Overtones of the Early Baroque

Music of the Spheres celebrates the connection between heaven and earth with songs from 17th century Italy, England and France, solos from Vincenzo and Michelagnolo Galilei (father and brother to Galileo, respectively), and readings from Robert Fludd and Johannes Kepler.

The philosopher/artist/musician Robert Fludd (1574-1637) developed a mathematical system to relate the Copernican movement of the planets to the measurements of strings on the lute. Fludd's system, like the Greek philosophers he admired, supposed that the orbits of the spheres corresponded to earthly overtones. Fludd saw the universe as a musical instrument played by the soul or spirit of the world. Music became a reflection of the divine.

Amy Michele White and Dominic Schaner delight in bringing early medieval music to modern audiences. Amy and Dominic commonly explore themes of contemplation, inward reflection, mysticism and poetic vision. Their music seeks to divine a glimpse of poetry and mysticism through fleeting and free spirited improvisation, contemplative solos and dramatic songs interspersed with quiet instrumental meditations and select recitations.



Art-Meditation Retreats

Saturdays 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. by appointment

The Way of Hand Papermaking

A contemplative day of hand papermaking from natural fibers with papermaker Harriet Hope. Space for each session is limited. Contact:

Harriet Hope

Telephone: 415.259.9440

Email: hhope24@gmail.com

Fee: \$60, includes materials and Japanese bento box lunch.



MONTHLY OFFERINGS

Music of Hildegard of Bingen

Tuesdays, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Through the Ear to the Heart with Devi Mathieu

Devi Mathieu leads a gentle, contemplative practice of listening and singing the music of Hildegard. This restorative evening experience requires no previous familiarity with the music of Hildegard or with medieval music.

January 10	February 7	March 14	April 11	May 16
September 5	October 10	November 7	December 12	

Suggested offering: \$10 – \$20

Days of Prayer 2017

Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Throughout the year various guest presenters will guide these quiet, contemplative Days of Prayer. Generally the day concludes with Eucharist at 1:15 p.m.

January 11	Patricia Bruno, OP
February 8	Arthur Poulin, OSB Cam
March 15	Susannah Malarky, OP
April 12	Joe Nassal, CPPS
May 17	Fr. Padraig Greene
September 6	Joe Nassal, CPPS
October 11	Marietta Fahey, SHF
November 8	Ivan Nicoletto, OSB Cam
December 13	Joe Nassal, CPPS

Suggested offering: \$20

Study/Reflection Evenings

Wednesdays, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Are you drawn to a deeper contemplative study of the Christian faith in light of Teilhard de Chardin's evolutionary and scientifically considered cosmic view? We will explore Teilhard's life and thought while reflecting on the implications for ourselves today. Together we will shape the inquiry and conversation. We welcome you to join Dominican Sisters Raya Hanlon, Ruth Droege, and Margaret Diener in this exploration. We will meet once a month on the evening of the Day of Prayer. See the dates above.

A free will offering for the evening is welcome.



INFORMATION ABOUT PROGRAM REGISTRATION

- Discounts available for early registration by the dates indicated.
- Required deposit amounts indicated with the fee information.
- Call for rate if participating as a commuter.
- Scholarship assistance is available for individual programs.

If you would like to receive our news or program information, please send your email address to info@santasabinacenter.org. We will be delighted to add you to our email list.

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The day will come when, after harnessing space, the winds, the tides, and gravitation, we shall harness for God the energies of love. And on that day, for the second time in the history of the world, we shall have discovered fire.

~ Teilhard de Chardin



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