Tantric Ecology: Planetary Regeneration with Indian and High Amazonian Practices

A Workshop with Frederique Apffel-Marglin and Neela Bhattacharya Saxena

Dates – January 4-11, 2014
Place – Sachamama Center, a non-profit organization in Lamas, Peru
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This 7 day workshop will introduce us to eco-theological knowledge systems and practices in the two ancient civilizations of India and Peru where the non-human world has been a part of and continuous with the human world. These are also civilizations where the entwined masculine and feminine principles are central. The workshop will consist of Yogic and Shamanic practices as well as basic readings and discussions around Hindu, Buddhist and Shamanic visions. The aim is to equip us with tools to help reverse the current global ecological degradations and enhance our psycho-spiritual health through effective methods of aligning ourselves to our planet.

Fee – $995.00, payable to the tax exempt Sachamama Center in the US, includes room and board for the week, local transport and tuition. Small incidental fees for trips and rituals may be additional.

Registration by Nov 15 with non-refundable fee of $195 and full payment by Dec 15, 2013

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