

# Artists & Writers Retreats 2009

SPRING RETREAT: FEBRUARY 27 - MARCH 1, 2009

FALL RETREAT: SEPTEMBER 4 - 7, 2009



## THE CREATIVE PROCESS

For 25 years, Artists and Writers Weekends at St. Dorothy's Rest have taught us how much extraordinary creative work can happen in a weekend away with friends and strangers. This retreat in the redwoods of northern California is a powerful place for nurturing imagination and patient work. On this creative weekend we will form together:

- an environment where beginning artists and writers and seasoned, disciplined practitioners can contribute to one another.
- safe trustworthy ways to share new work without killing the inspiration.
- a new understanding of the creative process through shared work and reflection on what we're seeing emerge through various media.

Daylight hours are time we work artistically. At meals we hear or see brief bits of new work. Evenings we share fresh work for feedback. Some of us are regular churchgoers, some not at all. Some are looking for new ways to explore the holy in art and stretching the boundaries of what that can include. Others are resolutely secular in their inspiration. What we share is the knowledge that creative expression flows directly from our ordinary humanity and honoring and expressing creativity makes it a wellspring of joy, refreshment, and meaning.

*Artists and Writers Weekends have proven a great place to begin new work, a time to try things, a place to invest a special quality of attention in a project or task, a place to make and sustain friendships with other artists and writers.*

## A HUNDRED YEARS OF CREATIVE GROWTH

Since its founding in 1901 on a newly logged bluff and cliffside, St. Dorothy's Rest has inspired art and creative growth. In a hundred years, redwood roots sent up shoots from the bare hillside that grew into the tall trees that shelter us offering living inspiration and quiet. The human settlement on the hillside shares that living quality - architecture and tradition root us in California's home-grown Arts and Crafts movement. The raw natural redwood of the buildings, the comfortable Mission and Arts and Crafts furnishings, the soaring views through small-paned windows and miles of abandoned railroad bed for walking and thinking all make this place not just 'A Rest' (as the motto from Virgil's Aeneid declares) but a fertile place of healing, imagination, and creative friendship.

## IMPROVISING THIS YEAR'S RETREAT

One idea we're excited about this year is creating a selection of optional morning workshops. Are you a painter participant? a writer participant? a dancer participant? an actor participant? a potter participant? (etc.) who would enjoy offering a 90-minute all-comers workshop or exploration in your medium? If so please tell us on your registration, and we will schedule two or three optional workshops for those interested.

## REGISTRATION

To register, fill out the registration page (reverse) and mail it back to St. Dorothy's Rest with your 20% deposit. There IS a size limit to the weekend, and accommodations are offered on a first-come basis, so register early and we'll see you there!

# Registration

## ARTISTS & WRITERS RETREATS

St. Dorothy's Rest & All Saints Company  
Feb. 27 - March 1, 2009  
September 4-7, 2009

TODAY'S DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE: MAIN \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARISH: \_\_\_\_\_ (OPTIONAL)

**SPRING: BASE FEE: \$189** (DOUBLE OCCUPANCY, 2 NIGHTS, 6 MEALS) **\$189**

**FALL: BASE FEE: \$249** (DOUBLE OCCUPANCY, 3 NIGHTS, 9 MEALS) **\$249**

ADD \$20 SINGLE ROOM CHARGE (BASED ON FIRST COME/SERVED AVAILABILITY) \_\_\_\_\_

ADD \$40 ADDITIONAL NIGHT \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL DUE** \_\_\_\_\_

**20% DEPOSIT DUE TO HOLD REGISTRATION:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DEPOSIT ENCLOSED: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE MAIL THIS REGISTRATION AND YOUR 20% DEPOSIT TO:

ST. DOROTHY'S REST  
P.O. BOX B  
CAMP MEEKER, CA 95419

WE ARE ONLY ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE VEGETARIANS BUT LIKE TO KNOW IN ADVANCE OF ANY ALLERGIES, ETC. REFRIGERATOR SPACE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR GUESTS TO BRING SUPPLEMENTARY FOOD ITEMS.

**SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL NEEDS:** \_\_\_\_\_

(WORKSPACE WILL BE ASSIGNED ON A FIRST COME/SERVED BASIS)

HAVE YOU BEEN TO ST. DOROTHY'S BEFORE? \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU BEEN TO AN ARTISTS & WRITERS RETREAT BEFORE? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT ARTISTS & WRITERS RETREAT? \_\_\_\_\_



IF YOU AREN'T ABLE TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S RETREAT, CONSIDER JOINING US NEXT YEAR! CHECK 2010 DATES AT [WWW.ALLSAINTSCOMPANY.ORG](http://WWW.ALLSAINTSCOMPANY.ORG).