

Temple of Diana

Daughters of Diana Gathering FAQs October 8 – 11, 2009

What is included in my registration?

The cost of lodging, food, all related events and the majority of your weekend workshop materials.

Is the location accessible?

Yes. This location is used in the summer for children with disabilities.

What is the location like?

This is a beautiful campsite with large rooms for rituals and breakout events.

Are there showers, bathrooms, etc

Yes, this is modern facility with hot showers, bathrooms, heat, etc.

What kind of food will there be?

Our cooks have planned a menu of tasty, fun meals with vegan, ovo-lacto, and meat options. Be sure to indicate your option choice on your registration form.

Can you meet special dietary needs?

We can meet some special allergy and medical dietary needs. Be sure to indicate allergies and other food related medical needs on the space provided on your registration form.

Will I have access to a refrigerator?

The refrigerator space is limited to medical needs only.

What kind of sleeping arrangements are there?

There are several types available. There are large dormitory rooms. There are also small bunkrooms with twin-sized beds and bunk beds. You are also welcome to bring your camping gear and tent.

Can children attend?

Due to the nature of this event, children are not able to attend. Childcare is not provided.

Are pets allowed?

No. If a person brings a pet, they will be asked to kennel the pet at her own expense.

Are there craft opportunities? Can we bring art supplies?

There will be some workshops involving crafts. Women are always welcome to bring their own art supplies.

Can I burn candles or incense?

Because the lodging is dorm style accommodations, you will need to check with your lodging mates. Some locations will be scent free. All locations need to honor the possibility that the location needs to be scent free. If you bring candles, incense or other items which give off a scent, you may be asked not to use those items. Candles may never be left unattended.

Will there be community altars?

We will be creating a community altar, as well as a temple to the Goddess.

What should I bring?

You will be provided with a map and list of things to bring and not to bring with your registration confirmation packet.

Do I need special clothes for ritual?

It is up to you. While special clothing is not required, many choose to dress for evening events including ritual, dance, and concert.

What kinds of clothes will I need the rest of the time?

You might want to bring clothes for warm to cool weather, hiking to casual/comfortable for a fun week-end. Plan on wearing layers.

Is the gathering scent, smoke and chemical free?

All common areas are to be scent and chemical free. The facility has a designated outdoor smoking location. There are scent free rooms. Please indicate if you want a scent free room on your registration form.

Is the Gathering drug and alcohol free?

This is a drug and alcohol free event. If you cannot refrain from drugs or alcohol for the weekend, this is not the event for you.

How does the registration fee work, i.e., sliding scale, reduced fees if early and scholarships?

There are reduced fees if you register before June 21st. Scholarships are limited to the funds provided by scholarship donations.

Am I mandated to do workshifts?

Yes. Everyone will be required to take on short workshifts during the weekend.

What are the transportation arrangements?

Bus, train and airplane sites are located at a nearby city, about an hour from the site. You will be asked on your registration form if you need a ride or whether you can provide a ride for another woman. Please let the registrar know about your transportation needs. There is Goddess Transport leaving from the Madison airport; please see the registration form for prices and time schedule.

Are there ride sharing options?

See the above question and answer.

Is there public transportation available?

There is no public transportation to the site. Please see above about transportation.

Is parking available? If so, is there a cost for parking?

Yes, there is on-site parking for no cost. Once you are parked, you may not have access to your car as cars will be parked in. You will need to walk a short distance up a hill from where you park to lodging.

Is this women only space?

Yes, this event is open to women-born-women only.

Can we make presentations? If so, is there a deadline to apply?

Yes, you can apply to be a presenter. Please see the on-line registration form and return by July 1. There is no reduction in registration fee for presenters.

Will vendors be available?

Yes, there will be a variety of vendors offering goods on Saturday and Sunday.

What is the weather like in Wisconsin in October?

It varies, but it is likely to be warm days and cool evenings, with rain possible.

Can you describe the facility and the ease or difficulty of moving from space to space?

This is a compound of various buildings within easy walking distance of each others connected by sidewalks and large courtyard. Raingear may be needed in case of inclement weather.

How much walking will I have to do?

The campground is less than a city block.

If I need to ship materials or equipment to the gathering, what is the shipping address?

Contact the registrar.

Are there hot showers and restroom facilities?

Yes. There are completely modern shared facilities.

What if I forget something? How far is it to town?

This facility is located outside of a small town. We are asking people to stay on site, but in the event of an emergency, a member of the coordinating committee can make a run into town.

Can I use my cell phone?

Do not plan on it. Reception is spotty. We also request that cell phones be turned off during all workshops, rituals and presentations.

Can I bring my computer, and will I have access to the internet?

There is no hook-up available for internet.

Is there a public telephone?

Yes.

Is there an emergency number?

Yes. The number will be provided with you registration confirmation.

Can I come for only part of the weekend?

Yes. However, the fee scale is based on the full weekend.

If I choose to make other arrangements for lodging, such as staying in a hotel, will I get a break in the registration fee?

No. Registration includes meals, materials and lodging. If you choose to stay elsewhere, it does not reduce the fees incurred to provide this Gathering.

If I choose to camp, will I get a break in the registration fee?

No, the cost of the campsite is included in the registration fee.

If I live nearby or stay with a friend, can I get a break in the registration fee?

No.

Can my friend come to the concert or the ritual or the dance?

No.

If you have additional questions or need clarification, please contact Temple of Diana, Inc. and we will be happy to help.