



## April 2017 Nepal Permaculture Adventure - Permaculture Design Course

### Scholarship Notice and Details

Woven Earth is pleased to announce a **new scholarship** available to Nepali citizens (and Tibetans residing in Nepal) interested in studying Permaculture Design in Myagdi and Mustang Districts, Nepal.

Woven Earth will hold its 4th Annual "Nepal Permaculture Adventure" April 1 - 20, 2017. This 20-day course begins and ends in Pokhara, Nepal and includes 72 hours of formal instruction in Permaculture Design Methods. Participants will be from Nepal and foreign countries, and the medium of instruction is English. The course is held in various locations in Pokhara and the Annapurna Conservation Area (ACAP) in Myagdi and Mustang Districts, Nepal, reached via jeep, bus and trek: (Dana) Tatopani in Myagdi District and Kobang, Larjung, Marpha, Chairo, Kagbeni and Muktinath in Mustang District.

This **scholarship covers the entire cost** of the Nepal Permaculture Adventure for eligible applicants: expenses for all meals, accommodation (shared room), transportation (starting and ending in Pokhara), and the 20 day course manual. Upon satisfactory completion of the program, all participants will receive an internationally-recognized **Certificate in Permaculture Design** (72-hour PDC).

**Course topics** include theoretical and practical hands-on instruction in site selection and mapping, input and element analysis, zone placement, soil building, food forestry, climate and microclimate effects, water management, earthworks, and garden system techniques such as seed selection, cover cropping, sheet mulching, composting, co-planting, no-till farming, bio pest-management and more; with significant time for meaningful cross-cultural professional interaction and personal development.

**Program activities** include daily yoga, soaking in natural hot springs, studying traditional village technology, trekking, enjoying mountain vistas, cooking demonstrations, practical instruction in regenerative agriculture, and theoretical instruction in Permaculture Design Methods, and visits to important cultural sites including Guru Syangpo Cave, Chhairo Gompa, and Muktinath.

**Eligibility.** Scholarship applicants should be Nepali citizens (or Tibetans residing in Nepal) interested in furthering their studies and experience in Permaculture, but whose personal or family resources limit their ability to pay the program fee, communicate in English, be fit for moderate trekking, from 1,000 to 3,400 meters, and carry their own personal gear. As all persons are welcome to join this program, Nepalis with financial means are welcome to sign up online at the discounted local rate. Please understand the scholarship spots are for those who wish to join but cannot due to lack of funds.

**Permaculture**, referring to both "Permanent Agriculture" and "Permanent Culture", is a design system methodology for families and communities to develop and maintain sustainable and environmentally regenerative farming and lifestyle practices perpetually into the future. Permaculture Design Principles seek to balance the needs and health of the human community with that of the natural world. More information may be found at [www.permacultureprinciples.com](http://www.permacultureprinciples.com) or [www.wovenearth.org/permaculture](http://www.wovenearth.org/permaculture).

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**Scholarship Application Form**

*Please respond in English. Do not restrict responses to the space given, but write as much as you wish. References may be a teacher, employer, or other professional or educational superior or colleague. Applications should be submitted to [info@wovenearth.org](mailto:info@wovenearth.org) by Sunday Feb 5, 2017. Applicants will be notified by Feb 19, 2017 and should be able to commit to the entire program. Scholarships available for Nepali citizens or Tibetans with limited income.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Village / Town and District: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you and your family on a limited income that would otherwise limit your participation? \_\_\_\_\_

Professional or Educational Reference's name, email, phone number(s), and relationship to you:

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Are you comfortable communicating and studying in English? \_\_\_\_\_

Education History: \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have experience trekking in Nepal? If yes, where and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have experience farming in Nepal? If yes, where, what, and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe your interest and experience in Permaculture, Agriculture, Sustainability and the Environment:

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What are your future goals? How will studying Permaculture Design help you attain these goals?

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I commit to joining the Woven Earth team April 1- 20, 2017 for the entirety of the program, which begins and ends in Lakeside, Pokhara, Nepal: \_\_\_\_\_

*Woven Earth is a non-profit organization based in Asheville, North Carolina, USA, dedicated to advancing skills-based education in permaculture and sustainability based regenerative practices.*