

## Dec 2017 Medicine Buddha Biodynamic - Permaculture Design Course

## **Scholarship Notice and Details**

Woven Earth is pleased to announce a scholarship opportunity available to Nepali and Tibetan persons interested in studying Permaculture Design and Bio-dynamic Farming in Nepal.

Woven Earth will host a 72-hour International Permaculture Design Course (PDC) and Biodynamic Farming Essentials program December 5-22, 2017, in partnership with One World: A Learning Center. This 18-day course will take place at The Land of the Medicine Buddha Biodyamic Farm on the bank of the Marshyangdi River in Gorkha District, Central Nepal and includes classroom and practical instruction in Permaculture Design theory and methodology. Participants will be from Nepal and foreign countries. The medium of instruction will be English.

**This scholarship** covers the entire cost of the program for eligible applicants: expenses for all meals, program materials, tent accommodation, and PDC course manual. Upon successful program completion, participants receive a 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, biodynamic farming and more; with significant time for meaningful cross-cultural professional interaction and personal development.

**Eligibility.** Scholarship applicants should be Nepali or Tibetan persons interested in furthering studies and experience in Permaculture, but whose personal or family resources limit their ability to pay. Applicants must be able to communicate in English. All persons are welcome, but local persons with financial means are encouraged to register up online at the discounted local rate. Scholarships 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 and practice 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 or www.wovenearth.org/permaculture.

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Please respond in English. Do not restrict responses to space given, but write as much as you wish. References may be a teacher, employer, or other professional or educational supervisor, or instructor. Applications may be submitted to info@wovenearth.org by Sunday November 5, 2017. Applicants will be notified by Nov 19 and should be able to commit to the entire program. Scholarships available for Nepali or Tibetan persons of limited income.

Name:	Sex:	Age:
Email:	Primary phone:	Alt phone:
Home Village / Town and Dist	rict:	
Are you and your family on a l	imited income that would otherwise	limit your participation?
Professional or Educational Re	eference's name, email, phone numbe	er(s), and relationship to you:
Are you comfortable commun	icating and studying in English?	
Education History:		
Do you have experience agrice	ulture in Nepal? If yes, where, what,	and for how long?
Describe your interest and exp	perience in Permaculture, Agriculture	, Sustainability and the Environment:
What are your future plans? I	How will studying Permaculture Desig	gn help you attain these goals?
"I commit to joining the Wove at Medicine Buddha Farm, Go	n Earth team December 5 - 22, 2017 rkha Nepal."	for the entirety of the PDC program
Signed:	(Турє	e your name if submitting electronically.)

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.