



## JOIN US FOR...

*Enter the Chaos: Engage the Differences to Make a Difference*

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### A Four Day Program that Draws on:

- the transformative power of contemplation
- conscious intent of the values we want to embody
- capacity to exercise contemplative power
- understanding our role in the evolutionary process
- willingness to welcome our own ongoing personal transformation

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- communal contemplative practice
  - contextualization of our work sourced from a contemplative heart
  - understanding the evolutionary development of consciousness
  - learning the specifics of the integral theory of spiral dynamics
  - learning the skillful means to engage in transformative change
  - applying what we learn to real situations which are characterized by tension among different stages of consciousness and seemingly opposing value systems
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### Why Four Days?

This program does require a commitment of time. The program is designed to deepen one's interior life through contemplative processes and from this contemplative perspective to integrate the skills learned.

The time is needed to achieve the outcome: to learn to engage persons with different worldviews including, family, friends, and colleagues in hopes of healing the negative effects of the polarization we experience.

The timeframe may vary but it is usually from early afternoon the first day to after lunch on the fourth.





*We draw on the power of  
God's call from the future to  
summon the strength needed to  
engage in this  
transformative process in the  
service of the whole.*



ICCD believes many people are ready to approach this time of chaos from a deeper place but may not be as familiar with contemplation. It is our desire if participants know of others--their colleagues at work, in organizations or in positions of influence who would resonate with the goals of the program and are open to the contemplative dimension in their life--to invite them to participate. Since its beginning in 2002, the Institute for Communal Contemplation and Dialogue (ICCD) has had extensive experience inviting people to engage the impasse in their lives through processes of communal contemplation and dialogue.

#### **2019 Currently Scheduled Programs:**

January 10-13, 2019 Santa Cruz, CA	April 5-8, 2019 Kalamazoo, MI	September 5-8, 2019 Bellevue, WA
September 12-15, 2019 Fremont, CA	October 10-13, 2019 Ipswich, MA	November 14-17, 2019 Racine, WI

#### **2020 Currently Scheduled**

February 13-16, 2020  
Marriottsville, MD

For more information, including registration, and future offerings, visit [www.iccdinstitute.org](http://www.iccdinstitute.org) or E-mail [iccdinstitute@aol.com](mailto:iccdinstitute@aol.com) and put Enter the Chaos in the subject line.

## **Program Guides**



### **Nancy Sylvester, IHM**

Nancy Sylvester, IHM founded the Institute for Communal Contemplation and Dialogue in 2002. This work reflects her commitment to dialogue and her belief that the impasse being experienced currently in the work of transformation requires a contemplative response and an expanded consciousness. Nancy served in the Presidency of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious; as Vice President of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Monroe, MI; fifteen years on the staff of NETWORK, a national Catholic social justice lobby, ten years as National Coordinator; and board member to numerous organizations. She is an author and a known speaker nationally and internationally.



### **Margaret Galiardi, OP**

Margaret Galiardi, OP, a Dominican Sister from Amityville, New York, has been part of the ICCD staff since 2011. In addition, she offers spiritual direction/accompaniment to both individuals and groups; designs and facilitates workshops and retreats focused around spirituality for the 21st century with an emphasis on ecological theology. While Margaret served in elected leadership, she was also the North American Co-Promoter of Justice for the world-wide Dominican Order. Margaret is a known speaker and author. Margaret spent the 2009-2010 year living in silence and solitude with the Trappistine Sister Monks in the Red Wood forest on the Lost Coast of Northern California.



### **Vernice Solimar, PhD**

Dr. Vernice Solimar was founder and chair of the Integral Psychology M.A. program, and former chair of Consciousness and Transformative Studies at John F. Kennedy University, (JFKU). With Dr. Monica Sharma, former Director of Leadership Training for Developing Countries at the United Nations, Vernice founded and directed the Leadership for Personal and Social Transformation certificate at JFKU. Vernice is a Founding Member of Ken Wilber's Integral Institute and collaborated with Don Beck in teaching Spiral Dynamics at JFKU. She has taught courses in El Salvador, Ecuador, and Peru, and visited Liberation Theology communities, and environmental groups. She also facilitated programs in Taiwan, Puerto Rico, and Uganda among others.