1.5 DAYS CIRCLE PRACTICE

Part 1: 20 October 2014, 18:00–22:00
opening event and book presentation

Part 2: 21 October 2014, 9:00–18:00
deepening of circle practice

Vinzi mittendrin, Währinger Straße 19, 1180 Wien

THE CIRCLE WAY –
CREATING POWERFUL DIALOGUES THAT MATTER

“Circle“ is a powerful dialogue method, which helps people to get into a deep, constructive and meaningful conversation. Anyone can use the Circle Way to improve the quality of communication – at work as well as in private life.

Christina Baldwin and Ann Linnea from the United States – who have rediscovered, researched and further developed Circle as a dialogue method for over 20 years – will be in Austria for the first time to share their knowledge and experience. Their latest book “The Circle Way” has now been translated into German, and will also be presented.
WIENER SALON FÜR WANDEL

invites you to the first 1.5 day Circle Practice in Austria which will be offered by Ann Linnea and Christina Baldwin from PeerSpirit, U.S.A. The form of circle dialogue as developed by Ann and Christina has become one of the core practices of Art of Hosting (www.artofhosting.org).

The first evening will consist of a book presentation and a first practical introduction to the circle method by engaging in a circle conversation. On the second day, participants will dive deeper into the circle practice and learn about pre-conditions, different roles, challenges, necessary preparation steps and about hosting circles in different circumstances and settings.

PARTICIPATION

For getting a first impression of the method “Circle” and of Ann and Christina’s work, it is possible to only attend the first evening. Their latest book “The Circle Way” will soon be available in German, and will also be presented on the first evening.

You can either attend only the opening evening on Monday 20 October, or the opening evening plus the practice on day 2 (attendance of the opening evening constitutes part of the Circle Practice and is the obligatory introduction for those who will attend on 21 October).

Please note: Both the opening evening and the practice day will be held in English. You can, however, ask your questions also in German.

We will address the following questions:

- **What is a “circle” dialogue practice?**
  “Circle” is an ancient human dialogue practice that can assist us also today to engage in high quality conversations.

- **How does “circle” work?**
  Introduction to the basics of the method: agreements, principles, practices.

- **How would you like to change the meetings you attend or lead?**

- **How to start applying “circle” in my work (or private) environment?**

WHO IS INVITED?

Everyone who cares for the quality of conversations and the quality of relationships is warmly welcome to attend the event. This Circle Practice particularly addresses people:

- who are ready to discover a new culture of communication in organizations;
- who are looking for better team solutions and for the capacity to allow collective intelligence to emerge;
- who are willing to explore the “A Leader in Every Chair” approach in order to achieve more commitment, ownership, joy and sustainable solutions and decisions;
- who work as organizational developers, human resource developers, project managers, team leaders, co-ordinators, change facilitators, moderators, mediators, communication experts etc.

However, this practice is not limited to any specific profession.

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YOUR HOSTS

Christina Baldwin, MS, Educational Psychology, comes to circle facilitation and storycatching with four decades experience as a writer, seminar presenter and community leader. She began her career as a founder of the journal writing movement in 1977 and wrote the classic, Life’s Companion, Journal Writing as a Spiritual Practice in 1991/rev. 2006. Her work on the nature of life narrative led to writing Storycatcher, Making Sense of our Lives through the Power and Practice of Story in 2005. Her understanding of the need for places to speak authentically and listen ourselves into wisdom led to her book, Calling the Circle, the First and Future Culture (1998) and to co-authoring with Ann Linnea, The Circle Way, A Leader in Every Chair (Berrett-Koehler, 2010).

Ann Linnea, M.A.T. in Education, comes to circle facilitation with over 40 years of experience. During her child-rearing years, she co-authored the award-winning book, Teaching Kids to Love the Earth. In 1992, to mark her own mid-life passage, she successfully circumnavigated Lake Superior by sea kayak (an 1800 mile journey). The insights and adventure of this trip are related in her memoir, Deep Water Passage, A Spiritual Journey at Midlife. Ann recently completed Keepers of the Trees, a Guide to Re-Greening North America (Skyhorse Publishing, 2010), a series of vibrant profiles of various individuals who have dedicated their lives to the stewardship and appreciation of trees and forests. For more information please see: www.peerspirit.com

Holger Heller, MA in law and MBA, systemic consultant, organizational developer and coach, circle pioneer in Austria and co-founder of the Wiener Salon für Wandel. He has been trained in The Circle Way in Belgium, Slovenia and the United States and has been applying circle in different types of organizations and settings, in change processes as well as in conferences, in learning environments and in private life.

Wiener Salon Team
The Hosting Team of the Wiener Salon für Wandel (Aliette Dörflinger, Holger Heller, Karin Küblböck, Mischa Altmann, Pamina Haussecker) is pleased to welcome you all and will be happy to share their circle experience together with other circle practioners that will be present at the training.

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PARTICIPATION FEE

The fee includes lunch, drinks and snacks, as well as handouts. The number of participants is limited to 24 max. in order to allow for an intensive circle experience.

NGO and similar: 290 Euro (Monday evening only: 35 EUR)
Business: 430 Euro (Monday evening only: 50 EUR)
Sponsor: 490 Euro.

Being a sponsor you support participants (unemployed, low income, students etc.) who could only join the training for special conditions (limited number available) Plus 20 % VAT.

Early bird registration until 26 September @ 10 % discount
Register Today!

REGISTRATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION

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