



WRITING CIRCLES

You are invited.

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LET'S GATHER AS FUTURE EARTH SNACKS!

I am inviting you to join a writing circle for gentlefolks who have a tentative relationship with the label "writer". I welcome the sonically-inclined, the visually-preoccupied and the kinetically-minded. Let's create a call-and-response between wordthings, inklings and soundstirrings.

Over the course of 6 sessions, we will explore writing through your own creative innovations. You may respond to written provocations with lyrics, mark-marking or embodied explorations. Come as you are and BYOB (Bring Your Own Brain)! I welcome your personal theories, techniques and translations. Together we'll deepen the way we attend to all there is to attend to.

Our guiding framework will be the *ecotone*, a transitional region in nature where we see bio communities meet and a richer - more diverse - ecosystem emerge. We will explore writing from an ecological perspective and co-create our own ecosystem of creativity, bravery, curiosity + compassion along the way.

DATES + TIMES

Our cadence for gathering will be every other Monday evening over Zoom starting on March 6th, 2023.

Every other Monday:
March 6th, 20th, 2023
April 3rd, 17th, 2023
May 1st, 15th, 2023

Zoom* | 7:00pm MST | 6:00pm PT | 9:00pm EST | 75 min.

**Please let us know if you require closed captioning during our sessions together.*

Upon registration, you will receive a form outlining how you might consider showing up to our meetings, and ways of deepening the investment you're making for yourself, the group you'll be working with and The Academy of Life as a Learning Lab as a community.

To learn more, [email Bri](mailto:hi.bri.strong@gmail.com) - hi.bri.strong@gmail.com

To register, [visit](http://marcemerrell.com/circles) - marcemerrell.com/circles

ABOUT BRI

Bri Strong (they/them) is of settler ancestry, namely Icelandic, Hungarian, German and English. They are living as an uninvited guest within the ancestral and unceded territory of the Hul'qumi'num and SENĆOTEN speaking peoples. They have a reverence and deep gratitude for the Tsawout First Nation and their ongoing stewardship of the land.

Bri is part of a system that is greater than themselves. They are most interested in the other echoes in the forest. The overlay of invisible forces that influence worldmaking; stories, relationships, vibrations, waves, patterns, dissonance. They find meaning in art, excitement in physics and passion for community. They try to amplify the intersections between these things in the work that they do.

They often wonder about the intimacies of the microscopic world. They ask the same question at different scales. How is sound a miniature of the universe? How do small interactions work in concert with one another to find a big expression? How can a person's relationships transform the world?

Their life is governed by queer love and a protectiveness over people's creative lives. They value deep connection, divergent thinking and compassionate action. They continue to learn from and collaborate with some of the most exciting people on the planet.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT

All funds go toward The Academy of Life as a Learning Lab*. The Academy is an emerging collective which is in the process of becoming a non-profit organization.

We are collaborating and cultivating community with humans all over the globe. We create opportunities for people to carry out self-determined life experiments that work in concert with the planet and their communities. Our offerings help folks build creative capacity, strengthen connections and enhance joy (in the "I still see you, Catastrophe" kind of way).

Here are the tiers that trace the impact of your support:

Encourage - \$90 - You enrich the experiment for all of us.

Sustain - \$180 - You help us dream bigger.

Sponsor - \$270 - You're expanding the experiment and impacting someone's experience in unknowable ways.

**If your current financial situation is a barrier to your participation and you're interested in an Experimentation of Reciprocity, please let us know.*



THANK YOU.