



Hail and Welcome!

***17th Annual
Turning the Tide Festival
“Crafting the Magick”
February 2nd - 4th, 2024***

***Covenant of the Goddess
Everglades Moon Local Council***

Welcome!

Everglades Moon Local Council is excited to gather the Witches, Pagan, and Magickal People of All Types, together again! We welcome you to Turning the Tide, our annual weekend festival, now celebrating its 17th year. It's a time to gather with old friends and make new ones, to celebrate and worship the Old Ones together, learn from each other, and nourish our minds and spirits. This year's theme, "Crafting the Magick" honors all the wonderful crafty witches in our community and the ways we come together to make our community stronger. Turning the Tide has been weaving the magick for 17 years and we know that it's through the love, strength, and support of our community that we have made it this far. We are looking forward to sharing ritual space, deepening our worship, learning lots of new things, and having a ton of fun with you are wonderful Turning the Tide family.

Our Festival Culture & Policies

Turning the Tide is a sacred space for cultivating a spiritual community. To foster a welcoming and safe atmosphere for everyone, we have established the following guidelines:

- Participants must respect the camp rules established by Miami Dade Parks Rules and Regulations and event management. No glass containers or smoking by Fire Circle.
- Parents are responsible for their children at all times.
- No nudity is permitted. Do not feed park wildlife. Dispose of all trash in the dumpster.
- Video recording, photography, and social media posts/tags without consent are prohibited.
- No means No. Please abide by requests from other festival attendees. Respect boundaries.
- EMLC reserves the right to deny or revoke admission to Turning the Tide without refund for dangerous, disruptive behavior or non-compliance with gathering policies.

At this time Miami-Dade County does not have any COVID-related restrictions, so we are asking our Tide family to consider their level of risk, get tested if they are experiencing any symptoms, and wear a mask indoors at their discretion. Click the link for more information on the [Miami-Dade County COVID-19 Safety Guidelines](#) regarding COVID-19 safety.

Schedule of Festivities!

Friday, February 2nd, 2024

- 4 PM Gates Open/Registration Opens (Great Hall) - Registration Closes at 8 PM
- 8 PM Opening Ritual (Fire Circle)
- 9 PM Hekate Devotional (meet at Great Hall Patio)
- 9-11 PM Movie Night (Flagpole Field)
- 11 PM Park Gates Close

Saturday, February 3rd, 2024

- 7:30–9:30 AM Breakfast in Great Hall
- 9:30–10:30 Workshops (see descriptions below)
 - W1 Planning (Fire Circle)
 - W2 Harnessing the Eclipse Moon (Great Hall Patio)
 - W3 The Magick of Cold Process Soap Making (Great Hall)
- 10:30–11:00 Mulligan's Stew Ritual (Kitchen)
Plant Gifting and Green Energy Swap (Gather at Great Hall Patio)
- 11 AM-Noon Workshops (see descriptions below)
 - W4 Past/Future Transits (Fire Circle)
 - W5 Make Your Own Besom Workshop (Great Hall Patio)
 - W6 Getting Crafty with Fluid Condensers (Great Hall)
- Noon-2 PM Lunch on your own
- 2– 3:00 PM Workshops
 - W7 Connecting with Brigid using the Ogham (Fire Circle)
 - W8 The Magick, History, and Practice of Sourdough (Great Hall Patio)
 - W9 Wood Buring Basics (Great Hall)
- 3:30–4:15 Coming of Age Ritual (Fire Circle)
- 4:45–6 PM Concert: Music with Aerik Arkadian
- 6:30–8 PM Community Feast (Great Hall)
- 8–8:30 PM Clean Up
- 8:15 PM Gather for Main Ritual (Great Hall Patio)
- 8:30 PM Main Ritual (Fire Circle)
- 9:30–11 PM Drumming after Main Ritual (Fire Circle)
- 11 PM Park Gate Closes

Sunday, February 4th, 2024

- 7:30–9:30 AM Breakfast in Great Hall
- 9:30–11 AM Speed Crafting (Great Hall)
- 11-12 PM Door Prize Giveaway (Great Hall)
- Noon Closing Ritual (Fire Circle)

Please have your cabin clean and swept, your feast food packed up, and all your gear off-site by 12:30 PM Blessed Be and May Our Magick Travel With You!

Workshop Descriptions

W1. Plarning - presented by Opal Luna

Collect up all those plastic bags that are multiplying under the sink!

Plarning, the act of creating plastic yarn from grocery bags, can keep hundreds of plastic bags out of the landfill while providing a bit of comfort to unhoused folx. Learn how you can participate in this worthwhile cause. All skill levels needed.

Opal Luna is a Crone, a priestess of Minerva, and Fiber Magickian. She is the author of "Fiber Magick, A Witch's Guide to Spellcasting with Crochet, Knotwork, and Weaving." As president of Abelina's Grove, she enjoys teaching, presenting, and leading rituals such as the annual Hurricane Protection Ritual in June

W2. Harnessing the Eclipse Moon: Astrological Magick – presented by Aequitas

On April 8, 2024, there will be a "big deal" solar eclipse. Solar eclipse is a new moon, new beginning, waxing magic, all inside Equinox Season in the sign of Aries. The shadow crosses through Mexico, US, and Canada. People will be traveling to it, and it will be all over the news.

I can teach people where the eclipse occurs in their charts by house to focus the magical intention there (e.g., 2nd house Aries income prosperity or improving their talents, 6th house Aries diet health work routine goals, etc.) and see if any planets or points directly conjunct. For unknown birth time people, we can have them work with Aries energy and any planets close to 19° Aries. Once everyone understands this eclipse point in their charts, they can prepare a magical talisman to be "activated" on April 8. The last portion will be to craft their intention with supplies I will bring, with some take home instructions for April 8.

Aequitas is a member of Beachfyre Coven, EMLC, Tides Festival volunteer, Georgian Wiccan Tradition practitioner, and Hekate devotee. Also known as Stars By Joseph, he teaches astrology workshops, classes and conducts client readings in person at Luna Bohemia Shop in Miami and also via Zoom. Joseph is a Level 1 Certified Astrologer with the Professional Astrologers Alliance. Connect through Instagram & Facebook @StarsByJoseph

W3. The Magick of Cold Process Soap Making – presented by Rayna Templebee

Turning vegetable and animal fats into soap is a magickal process akin to alchemy. How do liquids become solid? How does fat end up removing grease from our pots and pans? This workshop will discuss the difference between soap and detergent and the various ways soap is made. Everyone will make their own bar of cold process soap to take home, using milk (for Imbolc) and flowery essential oils (for Ostara, when your soap will be ready to use). Your ancestors did this without any fancy equipment and you can too!

Rev. Rayna Templebee is High Priestess of Beachfyre Coven in Miami, Florida, and a daughter of the Ocean Mother. She loves cooking for and feeding her friends, and finds that soap is a calorie-free way to cook up some kitchen magick!

W4. Past/Future Transits – presented by Niurca Marquez

This is a movement workshop that considers connections to space/time and ancestry, however, we choose to define it. In it, we will work with dilating timelines to connect to the ancestral memories that reside in us on a cellular level. The work is based on a series of somatic modalities and an understanding of ancestral work garnered from Afro-diasporic traditions. It is not necessary to be versed in any of this, much less is it necessary to consider yourself a dancer to participate. The work is based on some of the latest findings in the science of movement and cognition, coupled with the *conocimiento* (wisdom) of our cultural indigenities. All are welcome!

Niurca Márquez is an artist/researcher and published author working in film, site-specific work, and stage performance. She is an initiate of Regla de Ocha and prefers to identify as a kitchen witch. She is a somatic educator and uses her body-centered work to service communities undergoing processes of healing and self-realization. As a queer Latina artist and activist on the margins advocating for silenced voices, she is particularly interested in notions of identity, cultural memory, and ritual within a contemporary framework.

W5. Make Your Own Besom Workshop - presented by Lady Paradox

Immerse yourself in the mystical art of besom making with Lady Paradox. This workshop is more than just a crafting session; it's a spiritual journey into the heart of nature and tradition. Participants will learn to create their own besoms, traditionally used in rituals and as a tool for purification and protection. Using natural materials sourced with respect for the Earth, each participant will craft a besom that is not only a functional tool but also a personal talisman, imbued with the energy of the maker.

Lady Paradox has decades of experience in the Gardnerian tradition, and has been involved in Wicca most of her life. Her journey began in the heart of nature, fostering a deep connection with the Earth and its gifts. As the leader of a Gardnerian coven, Lady Paradox has dedicated her life to the craft and to teaching others the ways of the Old Religion. Her workshops are more than just lessons in traditional skills; they are an invitation to connect with the ancient energies and wisdom that govern our world. With Lady Paradox, you're not just making a besom; you're weaving your own story into the tapestry of witchcraft's rich history.

W6. “Getting Crafty with Fluid Condensers” - presented by Aerik Arkadian

One single drop of this substance can enhance any magickal project you create. Fluid Condensers have been venerated throughout history and mythology for their energetic potential. You’ve probably used them even if you’re unfamiliar with the terminology. Attendees to this class will learn what Fluid Condensers are and how they work. We’ll even make one of our own! You’ll leave with an arsenal of ideas on how to employ them, starting with the modification of simple rituals and moving all the way to advanced alchemy. And yeah, we’ll talk about adding them to your crafts, too.

Aerik Arkadian is a 3rd-degree Gardnerian High Priest, aborisha, musician, and witch. He runs Circle of the Horned Moon coven and a Wiccan prison ministry with his wife, Selene. Aerik is passionate about the power of music, occult teachings, and spirituality. He hates olives but puts pineapple on pizza. You can find him online at www.AerikArkadian.com or on YouTube at his “Music, Myth, and Magick” channel.

W7. Connecting with Brigid using the Ogham - presented by Aislin Wolf

Come celebrate Imbolc and connect to the Goddess Brigid in this fun workshop where you will learn about the Ogham and how to use it in divination and to connect to the Goddess Brigid.

You will also experience a guided meditation to ask Brigid to help you release what no longer serves you and manifest what you want to see in your life and this will be done using Brighids’s sacred element fire.

Aislin Wolf is a Priestess, devotee and Flame Keeper for the Goddess Brigid, and Temple Sybil with the Mount Shasta Goddess Temple. She is also a Reiki Master, Akashic Records Reader, Spiritual life coach, and a certified Hypnotherapist for over 22 years. Professionally she holds a Master’s Degree in Mental Health Counseling and has worked as a trauma therapist and teacher for over 10 years. Aislin is also one of the founding members and a teacher of Red Tent Goddess Sisterhood and co-owns a spiritual business in Miami, FL called Peace Love Wisdom Services.

W8. The Magick, History, and Practice of Sourdough - presented by Canu Nodiad

Sourdough is an ancient biotechnology and source of bread leavening that has flourished across myriad cultures. This workshop will include a brief history of sourdough, creation of sourdough starters for bread baking, and exploration of a practitioner’s reflections on sourdough as a magickal process. In short, sourdough is magick because: i) sourdough is ritual, as the magickal baker intentionally fosters the naturally occurring yeast and bacteria all around us into a relationship with each other, and the baker; ii) sourdough and the baker sustain one another and their communities; iii) sourdough is a connection to our human and environmental ancestors; and iv) sourdough is intimate, drawing us into deeper connections with the natural world and our communities.

Canu is a Senior Faery Seership Apprentice, the High Priest of Beachfyre Coven, an Elder in the Georgian tradition, and a founder of Everglades Moon Local Council of CoG. He likes to sing, garden, beekeeper, and practice environmental law for the public.

W9. Wood burning Basics – presented by Chloe

Pack your wands! Wood burning wands that is! Also known as Pyrography, wood burning is an excellent craft skill for personalizing your ritual tools and adding those extra layers of magick and meaning. I will demonstrate the basic strokes of each tip, how to transfer a pattern, common mistakes, and how to avoid them. Bring a wand (or two to share). I'll provide the other supplies.

Chloe has been active in the Miami Dade Pagan community for many years and a member of Beachfyre Coven since 2006. She picked up wood burning as a kid because she wanted to be Artsy, but didn't have any actual drawing or painting skills. Still wood burning stuff; still can't paint or draw.

Special Events

Hekate's Devotional is a time-honored tradition at Turning the Tide. Each year on Friday night, we gather to honor Hekate. Turning the Tide takes place in a liminal space on the edge of the modern world at a crossroads that exists between two realities. This year, we will be taking some time to honor this liminality at the crossroads and spend some time with Hekate Phôsphoros (light-bringer). Eco-friendly offerings are welcome and encouraged, and complimentary offerings will also be provided for your use.

Led by Aequitas - a member of Beachfyre Coven, EMLC, Tides Festival volunteer, Georgian Wiccan Tradition practitioner, and Hekate devotee. Also known as Stars By Joseph, he teaches astrology workshops, classes and conducts client readings in person at Luna Bohemia Shop in Miami and also via Zoom. Joseph is a Level 1 Certified Astrologer with the Professional Astrologers Alliance. Connect through Instagram & Facebook @StarsByJoseph

Plant Gifting and Green Energy Swap Stop by the Plant Gifting event to make new green friends! If you have plants, seeds, cuttings, or plant stories you would like to share with others, please bring them to the Great Hall Patio and learn what Florida-friendly plants your Tides family is growing. You do not need to bring anything to go home with a new green friend.

Presented by Otter, a Faery Seer and Pagan Buddhist who grows edible plants and fruit trees at Dreamwalker Grove in Punta Gorda, FL.

Music with Aerik Arkadian Aerik Arkadian is a 3rd-degree Gardnerian High Priest, aborisha, musician, and witch. He runs Circle of the Horned Moon coven and a Wiccan prison ministry with his wife, Selene. Aerik is passionate about the power of music, occult teachings, and spirituality. He hates olives but puts pineapple on pizza. You can find him online at www.AerikArkadian.com or on YouTube at his "Music, Myth, and Magick" channel.

Songs & Chants to Know for Main Ritual

Weavers (weavers),
Weavers (weavers),
We are weaving the Web of Life.

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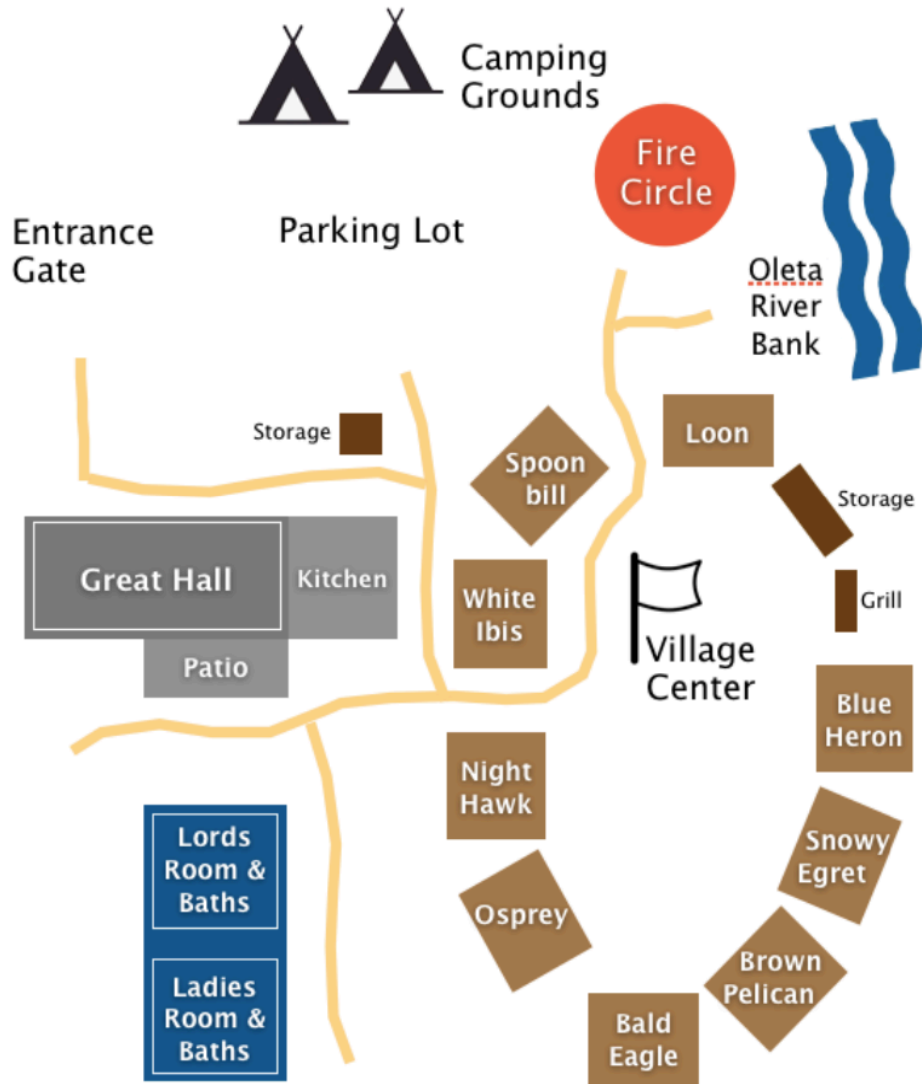
Spirit weaver, Bone weaver, Breath weaver, Stone weaver,
We are weaving the Web of Life.

Remember the rope / remember the magick! (3Xs)

WE ARE THE WEAVER.

WE ARE THE WEB.

Map of Camp Greynolds



Site Rules: Please get permission from everyone in your pictures prior to photography. For your safety, do not feed animals on site or keep food in your cabin. All buildings and public areas are designated smoke-free zones. Designated smoking area is the parking lot. Glass containers are not permitted in the fire circle area. Please dispose of your trash. Recycling available in Great Hall. Your cooperation ensures a safe and fun festival for all!

**Map is not to scale.*

Workshop Notes, Names, Anything You Need to Remember