

Becoming & Belonging (B&B) Series

What is Wander School?

Wander School is a 90-minute online facilitated format, held mostly in Circle, and guided by questions that invite your attention on what has your attention. It is group and personal learning. It is skilled attentiveness to intuitive wisdom. It is creativity in connection. *Wander School* grows from this belief — "If something has your attention (in life, work, family), it likely has some medicine for you. For your inner state, for your outer conditions. For you now, or for you in your longer arc." That medicine helps grow who you are and how you respond with depth.

Why Wander School?

Wander School is a "grow the hell up" program. It insists broader perspective. Yet gently cultivates next-layer awareness. Contemporary culture with its competitive noise, so often has people neglecting more slowed and broad insight at the expense of the immediate and narrow. *Wander School* restores creativity, sourced from what is most readily available — you and us together!

Who Is Wander School For?

Wander School is for individuals and it is for teams. It is for those beginning their awareness journey. It works because it is simple. It is also for those well-walked in their wisdom and leadership journey. It is for people wanting to reclaim authority through their being. It is for people needing practice of clarity, flow, and intuitive intelligence applied to life circumstance — work, community, family, self. *Wander School* is for those wishing both personal and communal maturation. Try it once, an experiment. Come back many times; a personal care practice for clarity.

Inspirations

This very moment is the perfect teacher. Pema Chodron, Spiritual Leader

Not all who wander are lost.
J. R. R. Tolkien, English Writer

All who wander are not lost. We just like the wind in our face. Dougle MacLean, Scottish Musician

Everything is connected. Everything changes. Pay attention. Zen Teaching



Wander School Format

Welcome. Some breath. Sometimes a poem or other inspiration. A short check-in, getting ourselves connected. Reflecting together on *Wander School* questions. A short check-out, witness to what has occurred.

What's Needed to Participate

You — in a protected 90 minutes of attention (no other meetings or tasks).

A private space — for confidential sharing and hearing from others.

A digital device to access shared Zoom room (videos on).

An open and curious heart (ready for next-layer learning)

A notebook or sketchbook (physical or digital) — for your insights.

Cost

All B&B offerings are free through May 2025. Beginning June 2025 you will have choice of a la carte registrations, all-inclusive monthly membership, or sliding scale participation.

About Me As A Wander School Creator

Maybe it is the ADHD part of me. Maybe it is the empath part of me. All of my life I've felt most natural connecting my brain knowing with my heart and belly knowing. *Wander School* is my creation (in the online brief version or in the in-person longer version). It is my culmination, that points to the most simple that I know with furthest impact.

In the early 1990s I participated in a large group dialogue and learning seminar hosted by Margaret Wheatley and Myron Rogers. There were 30 of us, ages ranging from me in my early 30s to elders in there 80s. Most were in their 50s. Our topic was very much centered on raising consciousness. One day it came my turn to speak. I doubted that what I had to say would matter much. I felt nervous to speak. I felt young. I spoke it anyway as honestly as I could. "Everything is what it seems. Everything is also not what it seems." My comment landed well with this group of wise folk.

Those two statements have shaped a deep hunger in me to participate in what I have come to know — life as inherent mystery. *Wander School* is one of the ways that I make relationship with mystery more accessible. Wander School is my way of staying fierce about something soft and easily overlooked, that is so needed for personal and communal maturity.

About the Becoming and Belonging Series — Inner Leadership

At this phase of my life, I recognize the need to get to the core of things. Beneath facilitation that points to learning and accomplishment lives hunger for more fulfilling life and story. Lives hunger for becoming and belonging. Becoming more of who we are really meant to be, whatever our circumstance. Belonging to life and community in shared passion and awareness. Most of my work these days grows from this core. Most of my heart lives in invitation to explore and practice together. Most of my hope lays in helping people everywhere get to the deeper journey and to the more life-giving contribution.

Dates, Registration for Wander School

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