

DREAMTRACKING

A camp for girls, ages 10 - 16



July 26 — August 2, 2008

“In the Iroquois world, a female baby is a blessing from the Creator because she means the cycle of our generations will continue on. From earliest childhood a girl baby is encouraged to take a leading role in her family and group... In the past, young women were expected to be physically strong. They had to learn all the skills of survival... Before she reached puberty, an Iroquois woman would have been able to survive in any environment.”

(from Women are the Center of all Things Within Iroquois Society,
by Doug George-Kanentio)

For the thirteenth year, **The Tracking Project** is pleased to offer **DREAMTRACKING**, a skills-based camp for girls, offering training in nature awareness, tracking and the **Arts of Life**. Firemaking, archery, camouflage and silent movement will be blended with self-defense techniques, art, dance and traditional games. Evenings are spent around the fire enjoying stories, humor, stargazing and music.

The camp will take place in a high desert meadow on the grounds of the Circle A Ranch Hostel which is located near Cuba, New Mexico on the edge of the San Pedro wilderness area. Campers will sleep in their own tents or share a tent with other girls. We have places for 30 girls in this year's camp.

John Stokes, director of **The Tracking Project**, and his wife, Nancy Latuja (dancer), will be joined by Geri Molitor (visual artist), Vicenta Alguero, Rita Zamora (Aztec dancer), Karen Coombs (herbalist), Anna & Erin Molitor (artists) and other skilled women. Further teaching assistance will be offered by John Stokes and Keith Strever of **The Tracking Project** staff.

Tuition: \$550.00.

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General Information

The Tracking Project accepts names of interested young girls throughout the year and these names are taken down in the order that they come in. Campers who attended the previous year are given first chance to return. Their decision must reach our office by April 15. Then we begin to call the other applicants, filling the remaining spots until we have 30 campers. This process allows us to take our campers as far as they would like to go in terms of skills, knowing that they can come back year after year.

If you are informed that you have been accepted for the camp, you will receive a registration packet which will include a registration form, list of things to bring, a liability waiver and a map with instructions on how to reach the Circle A Ranch Hostel in Cuba, NM. Return the required forms by **May 15** with your deposit of \$275.00. The balance is due **by June 15**.

Travel

Dreamtracking will take place in a high country meadow on the Circle A Ranch in the Jemez Mountains near Cuba, New Mexico. **The camp officially begins at 5:00 p.m. on July 26. Camp ends on the morning of August 2.**

Campers arriving by car should plan to arrive on Saturday, July 26 at the Circle A Ranch between 1 and 4 p.m. They should be picked up at the same place between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, August 2. **Please be prompt!**

Campers arriving by air should arrive in Albuquerque on Saturday, July 26 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. They should depart on Saturday, August 2 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Our travel agent— **Terry Williams-Keffer at Westwind Travel in Santa Fe (1-800-283-0122)** — will help you coordinate your arrival and departure times to coincide with our van pick-ups. **Because of time restraints, it is important that everyone adhere to these times.**

Thank you for your interest in this camp. If you need additional information please call **The Tracking Project** at 505-898-6967, or email us:

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