

The ITP Group Leader Gathering at IONS Earthrise Campus

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All of us on the path of Integral Transformative Practice are leaders. Just by acknowledging one's integral nature as a human being is an evolutionary step forward. Add an integral practice such as ITP to that awareness, and you are on a path of leadership, whether you realize it or not.

In an ITP group, all members demonstrate leadership in some way, whether through their individual practice, leading the Kata, presenting a program or just showing up on time for each session. In many ways, all of us are leaders.



Some, however, are called to lead and contribute in additional ways; these are the group members who provide the glue that keeps the group going and growing. You know who they are. You may be one of them!

Bob Doenges, Group Leader in Tulsa Oklahoma puts it this way, "They're the ones that open the door and turn on the lights at the beginning, and turn off the lights and lock the door at the end. They're the first ones to arrive and the last ones to leave." And, if they aren't the first ones to arrive and the last ones to leave, they're the ones who make sure someone else is. At ITPI, we call these people ITP group leaders, and our official ITP group leader roster lists 41 of these amazing, generous individuals.

GLEE, short for Group Leader Elevation and Evolution, is the ITPI container that supports ongoing group leader connection and shared development. Co-led by Mastery Teachers Donita Decker and myself, Roger Marsh, we host semi-monthly group leader calls and convene annually at ITPI events held at venues such as Esalen, Asilomar, Chicago and in May at the IONS Earthrise Campus. Our gatherings are profoundly rich, given the level of practitioner and commitment to the integral path. There is a palpable depth and resonance we experience in our ITP leadership community not often found in many places!

We are especially excited for the upcoming Group Leader Gathering at the IONS campus, since we will have extended time to experience deeper levels of exploration, dialogue and discovery. True to the ITPI Conference title, we will be Catching Fire and taking our transformational group leadership capabilities to new levels. As we align with and facilitate the evolutionary destiny of our selves, our group members, the world at large (and even the Cosmos), we can further engage in the needed evolutionary steps to "help advance the evolution of our species and society to a more balanced, more peaceful, more joyful condition," the mission and vision of ITPI.

What is being called forth in you as a Transformational Group Leader and in your Transformational Group Leader Community? How can we actualize and implement transformational capacities going forward? These are questions we'll explore and answer in our time together.

Whether you are an "official" ITP Group Leader or an ITP Group Leader-in-Training, we invite you to join us for the ITP GLEE meeting. The gathering starts after lunch on Sunday. We will break for dinner Sunday night, and then reconvene for a post-dinner session followed by informal conversation and play. Accommodations for Sunday night are included in the \$160 registration fee, as well as breakfast on Monday morning.

Join us for this extraordinary opportunity to take your transformational leadership to a new level and deepen your connection with fellow travelers.

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