

Hillula: Ancestral Healing in Jewish Traditions

Thurs, Sept 29 – Sun, Oct 1, 2016 in Berkeley, CA
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Everyone has loving and wise ancestors. Reaching out for their support calls in vitality for personal, family and communal well-being. Our bright and loving ancestors can catalyze healing breakthroughs with living family, encourage personal sovereignty, and help us to clarify our soul's calling and our personal relationships. Engagement with the ancestors prepares us for our eventual journey to the next reality, and when rooted in the traditions of our blood lineages, practices of ancestor reverence can also bring about family and cultural healing.



Jewish tradition is ripe with practices for ancestor honoring, and this training will draw on practices based in the Hebrew Bible, rabbinic and mystic teachings, and Jewish lore across time and place. In the days before the Rosh Hashanah, we convene for *Hillula: An Ancestral Healing Intensive in Jewish Traditions*. A Hebrew word meaning praise celebration, *hillula* suggests a pilgrimage to honor the continued influence of our ancestral teachers. This intensive will include practices for relating safely with helpful family and lineage ancestors as well as those still in need of assistance.

Training is **Thurs, Sept 29 – Sat, Oct 1, 10am-5pm** each day (encouraged Shabbat prayer celebration Fri eve 6:30-8pm). We welcome participants across the spectrum of Jewish experience and practice, folks new to ancestor work, adoptees and those with a tough experience of family. Cost is \$400 for the three days, options for reduced payment. Spaces limited, pre-registration requested. Be in touch with questions or register: ancestralmedicine@gmail.com or (828) 767-9234.



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Daniel Foor, PhD, is a teacher of practical animism who specializes in ancestral healing and helping folks come back into relationship with the rest of the natural world. He is the author of the upcoming book *Ancestral Medicine: Rituals for Personal and Family Healing* and guides ancestor-focused trainings and personal healing/mentorship work. Daniel is also an initiate in the Ifá/Òrìṣà tradition of Yorùbá-speaking West Africa. For free resources and info on his offerings visit: www.ancestralmedicine.org

