

## **Lotus Garden Participant Contract**

Please read the contract below. If you have any questions, please contact us at (805) 714-6908. Sign as appropriate and mail to the following:

Lotus Garden 1136 Pino Solo Drive Santa Maria, CA 93455

By signing below, I acknowledge I have read, understand, and agree to the following terms and conditions that will be in effect before, during, and after my involvement with this Lotus Garden workshop.

I agree to accept the concept of a chemical-free existence during the workshop. This means abstinence from all mind and mood altering drugs and chemicals, including alcohol, nicotine, and marijuana, during this period of time. I understand that any use of these chemicals will result in my discharge from the workshop.

I understand this is a pre-paid program (or I will coordinate and sign a payment plan), and I agree to meet all financial requirements prior to my entering the workshop. Whether I complete the workshop, or I am discharged from, or I discharge myself from the workshop before its completion, I understand I will not be entitled to, or receive, a refund of any portion of the costs. If I have a payment plan, I agree to pay any remaining costs within the agreed timeframe.

I understand my participation in this program is voluntary, and the program may be physically and emotionally intense. I agree to accept such risks and I assume responsibility for such stress/distress and/or other effects of my participation. I hereby release, discharge and hold harmless Lotus Garden and its staff from any and all claims, causes of action, demands, or judgments arising out of, or in any way connected with my participation in the workshop and all related activities, including formal and informal activities. I understand participation in any of these activities contains certain risks of physical injury. I agree to fully assume the risk of injury arising from any such activity.

I understand my participation in the workshop will involve interaction with other workshop participants who may have a contagious/infectious disease which may include, but is not limited to known and unknown flu viruses, Hepatitis, HIV, bacterial infections, etc. I agree to assume the risk of such exposure and in the event I contract

such a disease, I agree to hold Lotus Garden harmless and free from any and all claims, including reasonable attorney fees, as a result of my having contracted such a disease.

I have fully and truthfully completed the Intake Interview forms and disclosed all information regarding my emotional and physical history, including any medical condition(s) and medication(s), which I am currently taking, whether prescribed or not.

I have fully and truthfully completed any other documents Lotus Garden has provided to me.

The program will take place in a campus/retreat/camping setting. As such, I understand program participants, including myself, are not in a licensed health care setting or facility and will not receive medical supervision or monitoring. The workshop experience is designed to promote wellness and improve the ability of participants to function in a healthier manner emotionally, spiritually and psychologically. The workshop experience is not a substitute for inpatient, or extended outpatient treatment.

In addition to signing the Confidentiality Agreement during the first day of workshop sessions, I agree to not reveal or discuss outside of any group process anything that happens or is said or done within any group process. I will not reveal the identities of any participants, family members, or workshop participants who are, or may have been, to the workshop site. I understand a violation of this confidentiality pledge will be grounds for immediate dismissal from any/all Lotus Garden workshops, and may be subject to civil and/or criminal penalties.

I have reviewed this agreement carefully. I have been informed to my satisfaction what may occur during the weekend workshop.

This contract contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and its terms are contractual and not a mere recital. I further state I have carefully read the foregoing terms and conditions, know the contents thereof, and I sign the same as my own free act.

procedures as set forth in this agreement.	
Signature	Date
Any Witness	 Date