



Simplicity Matters Earth Institute

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DISCOVERING A SENSE OF PLACE Circle Schedule

This sheet should be filled out at the first session of the Northwest Earth Institute's *Discovering a Sense of Place* discussion circle. Two volunteers are needed for each session: (1) **to offer an opening** and (2) **to facilitate the discussion**. The group may decide to implement action items, in which case a volunteer (3) **Note Taker** will keep track of what each person committed to doing.

Circle Coordinator, please ensure that each participant receives a copy of this sheet after it is filled in, and remind participants of their forthcoming roles as needed.

Circle Coordinator Name / Phone # / E-mail: _____

Mentor Name / Phone # / E-mail: _____

Location for future meetings: _____

Sessions	Date	Opener	Facilitator	Action Items
1. A Sense of Place		mentor	mentor	mentor
2. Responsibility to Place				
3. Knowing your Bioregion (Local Supplement)				
4. Living in Place				
5. Mapping your Place				
6. Building Local Community				
7. Empowerment				
8. (Optional Topic)				
9. Wrap-Up *		n/a	mentor	

* In this session participants evaluate the circle experience, and decide what they will do next. Three evaluation forms are collected by the mentor: 1) for NWEI, with feedback about the readings, 2) for SMEI, with feedback about the circle experience and 3) for SMEI, with each individual's preferences about his or her next steps. This session can be held at a different location (e.g., a public park) and may involve sharing food (e.g. potluck meal or dessert).