

First Light 5:46 AM
Sunrise 6:15 AM

Wednesday - 20 Aug

Sunset 7:54 PM
Twilight Ends 8:23 PM

	Dining Hall	Arts Center	Field / Firepit / Pool	Ve-Stead	Arts Ctr Basement
12:00	12:00 Registration Opens			Note: Please review the Ve page for more information on Ves and rituals.	
12:30					
1:00	1:00 -2:00 Lunch				
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2:00	Note: There will be an Art Contest happening throughout NET. Artists, please bring your entries to Sara Perrault in the vendor area where they will be displayed for all attendees to vote upon.				
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6:00	6:00-7:00 Dinner				
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7:30				7:30 - Ve-stead Opening Ritual Welcoming	
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8:30			8:30 - Lakeside Firepit S'mores Night & Stories		
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First Light 5:47 AM
Sunrise 6:16 AM

Thursday - 21 Aug

Sunset 7:52 PM
Twilight Ends 8:21 PM

	Dining Hall	Arts Center	Field / Firepit / Pool	Ve-Stead	Arts Ctr Basement
Early					
8:00	8:00-9:00 Breakfast				
8:30					
9:00				9:00 - Heimdall Ve Coffee with Heimdall	
9:30		9:30 - Dr. Annie Cúglas Darraðarljóð in Context and Song	9:30 - Gaga Ball Pit Gaga Ball for the Ga-Ga Set		
10:00					
10:30				10:30 - Tyr Ve Tyr Ritual	
11:00		11:00 - Dan Bullard Reconstructing Ēostre	11:00 - Rock Wall Rock Climbing/Ropes Course	11:00 - Ancestors Ve Ancestor Ritual	
11:30				11:30 - Frigga Ve Frigga Ritual	
12:00			12:00 - Lake Rán Ritual		
12:30	12:30 -1:30 Lunch				
1:00			1:00 - Lake & Pool Open Swim Time		
1:30		1:30 - Kyle Aaron Reese Telling Your Heathen Story			
2:00					
2:30				2:30 - Eir Ve Eir Ritual	
3:00		3:00 - Phish KnightMoore & Shawn King Touching Grass and Hugging Trees			
3:30					
4:00					4:00 - Arts & Crafts Room Crafts: Carving for Kids
4:30	4:30 - The Cove Karaoke			4:30 - Sif Ve Sif Ritual	
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6:00	6:00-7:00 Dinner					
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7:00				7:00 - Thor Ve Thor Ritual	7:00 - Arts & Crafts Room Art Time for Adults with Maggie Walls	
7:30	7:30 - Dining Hall Board Game Night *Alcohol-Free event			7:30 - Lofn Ve Lofn Ritual		
8:00				8:00 - Odin Ve Odin Ritual		
8:30						
9:00					9:00 - Hel Ve Hel Ritual	
9:30						
10:00	10:00 - The Cove Niflheim: A Dark Dance Party					
10:30						
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First Light 5:48 AM
 Sunrise 6:17 AM

Friday - 22 Aug

Sunset 7:51 PM
 Twilight Ends 8:20 PM

	Dining Hall	Arts Center	Field / Firepit / Pool	Ve-Stead	Arts Ctr Basement
Early					
8:00	8:00-9:00 Breakfast				
8:30					
9:00				9:00 - Heimdall Ve Coffee with Heimdall	
9:30		9:30 - Ray Acevedo Wyrd and Welcome: Creating Belonging in Heathen Spaces			9:30 - Dance Room Morning Kids Sing-a-long
10:00					
10:30				10:30 - Njord Ve Njord Ritual	
11:00		11:00 - Ristandi How Ríg'd is the System?	11:00 - Rock Wall Rock Climbing		11:00 - Crafts Room Crafts: Glue & Paint Crafts
11:30				11:30 - Idunna/Bragi Ve Idunna/Bragi Ritual	
12:00					
12:30	12:30 -1:30 Lunch				
1:00			1:00 - Lake & Pool Open Swim Time		
1:30		1:30 - Mike Smith Order & Chaos: In Cosmology, Mythology, & Theology			1:30 - Arts & Crafts Room Art Time for All Ages with Maggie Walls *Alcohol-Free event
2:00				2:00 - Ve-Stead Queer Empowerment Ritual	
2:30					
3:00		3:00 - David Carron Modular Asatru Ritual Design aka Build-A-Blot Workshop		3:00 - Field Kubb Tournament	
3:30				3:30 - Freyja Ve Freyja Ritual	
4:00	4:00 - Dining Hall Pot Luck Tea Party				
4:30					
5:00				5:00 - Ve-Stead Main Ritual Run-Through (Closed Event)	
5:30					

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	Dining Hall	Arts Center	Field / Firepit / Pool	Ve-Stead	Arts Ctr Basement
6:00	6:00-7:00 Dinner				
6:30					
7:00				7:00 - Skaði Ve Skaði Ritual	
7:30			7:30 - Lakeside Firepit Skaldic Competition		7:30 - Dance Room Young Heathens Movie Night - "How to Train Your Dragon" (Live Action)
8:00					
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9:00	9:00 - Main Hall Raffle and Auction				
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First Light 5:49 AM
 Sunrise 6:18 AM

Saturday - 23 Aug

Sunset 7:49 PM
 Twilight Ends 8:18 PM

	Dining Hall	Arts Center	Field / Firepit / Pool	Ve-Stead	Arts Ctr Basement
Early					
8:00	8:00-9:00 Breakfast				
8:30					
9:00				9:00 - Heimdall Ve Coffee with Heimdall	
9:30		9:30 - Ristandi A Galdr of One's Own			9:30 - Crafts Room Honoring the Gods with our Art
10:00					
10:30			10:30 - Field near Rock Wall Dragon-Slaying for Children		
11:00		11:00 - Mike Smith Reciprocity, Gifts, & the Gods		11:00 - Loki Ve Loki Ritual	
11:30					
12:00					
12:30	12:30 -1:30 Lunch				
1:00			1:00 - Lake & Pool Open Swim Time		
1:30		1:30 - Kyle Aaron Reese Demystifying Meadmaking			
2:00			2:00 - Archery Range Youth Archery & Axe	2:00 - Freyja Ve Seidhr Ritual	
2:30					
3:00			3:00 - Near the Lake Viking Games		
3:30			Archery		
4:00			Axe Throw		
4:30			Hammer Toss		
5:00					
5:30				5:30 - Ve-stead Firepit Ritual Set-Up (Closed Event)	

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7:30				7:30 - Ve-stead Firepit Main Ritual	
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First Light 5:50 AM Sunrise 6:19 AM	Sunday - 24 Aug				Sunset 7:47 PM Twilight Ends 8:17 PM
	Dining Hall	Arts Center	Field / Firepit / Pool	Ve-Stead	Arts Ctr Basement
Early					
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10:30	10:30 - 11:30 Brunch				
11:00					
11:30				11:30 - Ve-Stead Field Closing Ritual	
12:00		12:00 NET Planning Team Meeting (Closed Event)			
12:30					
1:00					

**We need to be packed up and shipped out no later than 1 PM.
Please leave the camp as clean as, or cleaner than, we found it.
Please sweep up your cabin and drop bagged trash in the dumpster.**

SCHEDULE LEGEND

COLOR



MEANING

- Main Event
- Ve or Other Ritual
- Workshop or Class
- Social Event

COLOR



MEANING

- Youth Activity
- Game or Competition
- Closed Event for Specific Invitees

2025 NET Vé List

All vé are open for personal communing anytime there is not an official ve ritual being conducted. Please save food offerings for just before main ritual.
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Deity	Ve-Keeper	Ritual Day/Time	About the Ve
Ancestors	Sara Perrault	Thurs 8/21 11:00-11:30 am	<p>A ve for remembrance and telling stories about your ancestors and loved ones.</p> <p>Feel free to make an entry in the journal about any of your beloved dead, their deeds, or inscriptions to them. The journal will be sealed up each night to prevent moisture retention from the evening's dew. Please leave any offerings to be burnt in the basket. Any offerings left in the bowl will be libated at the end of each day. Please do not leave food offerings in the basket to prevent attracting animals and insects. Any items you wish to add to the altar, but plan to return home with, are left at your own risk.</p> <p>Ritual will be one round where we share a story of a loved one who has passed on.</p>
Eir	Sarah Castrovinci	Thurs 8/21 2:30-3:00 pm	A ve for Eir, for health and well-being as well as pregnancy and childbirth, medicinal herbs, plants, and home remedies.
Forseti	Glitnir Kindred	None	A ve dedicated to Forseti, where all strife is settled.
Frey	Kyle Aaron Reese	None	A place to visit with Freyr
Freyja	Patricia Lafayllve	Freyja Ritual - Fri 8/22 3:30-4:00 pm Seidhr Ritual - Sat 8/23 2:00-3:00 pm	<p>This ve honors Freyja. The hoard inside the ve is made up of offerings left by individuals for over twenty years. Please use the basket/bucket outside the ve for offerings which should be given to the ritual fire. If you wish an item to be blessed by Freyja, please leave it in the ve, and pick it up no later than Sunday, before the ve is taken down. If you wish to leave a permanent hoard offering, simply leave the item on the altar/in the ve. It will become part of the hoard when the ve is taken down, and will travel with Freyja from that point forward.</p> <p>The ritual for Freyja will be a guided meditation designed to form or deepen a connection to the goddess. Please bring a drinking vessel for offerings.</p> <p>The seidhr ritual is trance- and divination-based. Please come with open-ended questions to ask the Seer, if you so choose, and a drinking vessel. We will drink water as an offering as a means to help ground post-ritual, as needed.</p>
Frigga		Thurs 8/21 11:30 am-12:00 pm	<p>A ve for Frigga and by extension, her Trusted Counsel.</p> <p>Keys will be made available as tokens in exchange for offerings. Food and beverages welcome. Please remove all plastic.</p> <p>As a further offering to Frigg and her Trusted Counsel, please consider bringing the following things to donate to our beloved community member, Freyjadis Burke-Smith's middle school class:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fun sticker packs - Candy packs (preferably allergen-free) - Coloring books for middle school aged students - Feminine hygiene products - Travel sized deodorants - Any travel sized toiletries <p>In an extension of Frigg's divine hospitality, the community is supporting our kin to support her students. Please leave any offered items in the reusable bags under the ve.</p>

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Deity	Ve-Keeper	Ritual Day/Time	About the Ve
Heimdall	Erika Wren	Coffee Ritual Every Morning 9:00-9:30 am	A Ve for Heimdallr, who stands at Bifrost guarding the Gods from their enemies. He watches ready to blow the Gjallarhorn to alert the gods of the coming of Ragnarok. No weapons. All food and drink (including alcohol) offerings are welcome, but also consider a cup of coffee or a few minutes standing watch in the Ve.
Hel	Diane & John Richardson, Kurt Hohmann	Thurs 8/21 9:00-10:00 pm	A ve for working with the Guardian of the Dead and those who live on within the walls of her home. Food and drink offerings are discouraged; instead we ask for messages to be delivered to Her denizens.
Idunna/ Bragi	Joshua Dickerson	Fri 8/22 11:30 am-12:00 pm	A Ve honoring Idunna & Bragi. Please bring a small offering of poem, or song to be given to the gods.
Landvættir	Sara Perrault	None	A ve to honor the local Landvættir. Please only leave biodegradable offerings or one's made of natural/unrefined materials only (e.g. wood is okay, paper is not).
Lofn	Signy Burke-Smith	Thurs 8/21 7:30-8:00 pm	Ve for Lofn, goddess of "forbidden" love. She helps bring those together who have non conforming relationships and her graciousness ushers understanding and acceptance. The ritual will be in her honor, praise, and comfort.
Loki	Erika Palmer	Sat 8/23 11:00 am-12:00 pm	Liquid and physical offerings are welcome. No open food. Please remove all plastic from offerings. No weapons.
Mani	Mike Hicks & Nancy Lucas	None	Source of magic and mystery, inspiration and ecstasy. In addition to the altar and offering baskets, Mani's ve will feature a gently illuminated night scrying bowl for those seeking the ineffable.
Nerthus	Stephanie Sugars	None	A ve for Nerthus. Do not remove her veil or bring weapons into the ve. A bowl for liquids and a basket for offerings will be available. No plastic or other non-burnable offerings.
Njord	Alfredo Porta	Fri 8/22 10:30-11:00 am	A ve to honor Njord, the god of prosperity, seafarers, and coastal waterways. Bowl for libations and basket for any burnt offerings. Offer coins to Njord's chest for success in business and wealth. Please be sure that offerings are burnable, no plastic materials please. Tokens will be available to remind us of Njord's frith.
Odin	Ristandi	Thurs 8/21 8:00-9:00 pm	A Ve to honor Odin as god of Mystery and Magic. There will be a ritual as well. There will be a container for offerings to be immolated in the main ritual.

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Deity	Ve-Keeper	Ritual Day/Time	About the Ve
Rán	Kat McDermott	Thurs 8/21 12:00-12:30 pm	<p>A Ve to honor Rán, the goddess and personification of the sea, wife to Ægir, mother of the waves.</p> <p>There will be an offering bowl for liquid offerings and a basket for solid offerings. Please, no food offerings at this vé, even if they are wrapped. All offerings in the bowl and basket will be burned in the main ritual fire. If you would like to leave rocks, shells, or beach glass on the altar to become a part of the ve, these will not be burned if they are not placed in the basket or bowl and will become part of the ve. Please do not remove any of these items from the altar.</p> <p>If you would like to participate in the ritual to Rán at the lake, please bring a coin to sacrifice to the lake.</p>
Sif	Dan Heichel	Thurs 8/21 4:30-5:00 pm	<p>A ve to honor Sif, golden-haired goddess of the earth and the harvest, wife of Thor.</p> <p>There will be a basket for offerings, preferably of grains, breads and flowers (included if you have none), to be collected for the main ritual offering. A blot will be held in Sif's honor to celebrate the waning summer season that gives way to fall, and to thank her for her abundant gifts from the earth.</p> <p>The blot will have wheat beer and shared bread, if you have gluten-free dietary restrictions, gluten free bread will be included as well.</p>
Sigyn	Lea Svendsen	None	<p>A Ve to honor Sigyn, Loki's wife, our Victory Woman who demonstrates unwavering loyalty, love, and compassion.</p> <p>Rather than gather and celebrate in ritual as a group, this year you are encouraged to honor Sigyn in a quiet, reflective way. The last few years, months, and weeks have been overwhelming to many, and so many of us are frazzled, stressed, and scared. Take a moment or two to sit with Sigyn and learn that when she holds the bowl for Loki, she holds it for us, as well.</p> <p>Let this be a chance to reciprocate for her: relieve her of her physical burden and hold the bowl. As you do so, relieve yourself of your emotional burdens: funnel your fears and anxieties out of your head and heart and into the bowl. Picture them melting into the acid that drips from the serpent above, listen to them fizzle away and disappear into the venom that will soon be emptied from the bowl.</p> <p>When Sigyn ends her break and takes the bowl back from you, leave that space feeling lighter and renewed – and ready to hold the bowl for our allies in the fight for humanity and compassion.</p> <p>We're all overwhelmed, we all need moments of peace, and we can all hold the bowl for each other.</p>
Skaði	Joe Mandato & Kat Ybarra	Fri 8/22 7:00-7:30 pm	<p>A ve to honor Skaði. Hail the huntress, strong of limb and spirit. There will be a basket to make natural/flammable offerings, and a blot will be held in her honor to thank her for the gifts she bestows on the community.</p>
Sunna	Phish and Tim KnightMoore	None	<p>Sunna's vé is a place to honor the sun. You are encouraged to sit here for morning meditations, a round of stretches, a sun salutation, your first cup of coffee, or whatever other rituals you have to start your day. Enjoy a cup of Sunflower infused Sun tea or Sun lemonade and let the light of the sun warm your day.</p>
Thor	Kurt Hohmann	Thurs 8/21 7:00-7:30 pm	<p>A ve to Thor. There will be a Thursday procession and blot. Offerings can be made at any time.</p>
Tyr	Kyle Aaron Reese	Thurs 8/21 10:30-11:00 am	<p>A Ve dedicated to the god Tyr. God of the Thing and Oaths kept. A one round ritual will be conducted and feel free to bring an offering.</p>

Youth Activities

ONGOING - Arts Center Basement - Crafts Room - Jen Munson

Children's Arts & Crafts Room

The children's craft area will feature drawing and painting supplies for anyone of any age who would like to use them. However please be respectful of the creative space and the hosts and monitor your own child while using the space, particularly if they are in the habit of putting art supplies in their mouth. Please keep the area tidy after use.

ONGOING - Field - Erika Wren & Mike Stahl

Kubb for Kids

A few kubb sets will be set up to allow the youth to learn and play a few pick-up games of Kubb.

ONGOING

Swim Time (Lake and Pool)

Each day will have time where all at the event can swim. A lifeguard will be present during these times, but we request that each child under the age of 12 have adult supervision arranged for them while at either the lake or the pool.

Thursday 1:00-4:00 pm

Friday 1:00-4:00 pm

Saturday 1:00-4:00 pm

ONGOING

Rock Climbing

There will be two one-hour sessions where youth (and any adults who would like to participate) can explore the Rock Climbing Wall at the camp. A campground safety officer will be present to assist, but we request that each child under the age of 12 have adult supervision while participating in this activity.

Thursday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Wednesday 8:30 pm - Lakeside Firepit - Jen Munson

S'mores Night & Stories

Come down to the lakeside firepit for some s'mores! Anyone can volunteer to tell a story, whether scary or just fun.

***Adult Supervision required for children under 12 years**

Thursday 9:30 am - Gaga Ball Pit - Tim KnightMoore

Gaga Ball for the Ga-Ga Set

Meet at the ball pit in the center of camp for a time when kids can be kids with balls and parents can socialize with other adults who are forced to be up before noon.

Thursday 4:00 pm - Arts Center Basement - Crafts Room - Erika Wren & Kyle Aaron Reese

Crafts: Carving

Youth craft time for carving. Wood for the older kids and soap for the younger set.

Thursday 4:30-6:00 pm - The Cove - Niki Melish & John Fitzgerald

Karaoke

Come out to the Cove for an all-ages sing-a-long. Earplugs optional.

Friday 9:30 am - Dance Room - Jen Munson

Morning Kids Sing-a-long

Friday 11:00 am - Crafts Room - Kyle Aaron Reese

Crafts: Glue & Paint Crafts

Crafting time with glue, popsicle sticks, paint, and other craft goodies. Supplies will be provided.

Friday 1:30-3:00 pm - Crafts Room - Maggie Walls

Art Time for All Ages

Maggie will bring some art supplies (colored pencils, gel pens, round paper both black and white, and possibly a few other options). And stencils (which are great for those looking to have something to help kickstart the creative mindset). People are welcome to use some of her stuff but could also bring their own art stuff they happen to be working on. You can work on something else entirely. Or just be in the space, enjoying the creative atmosphere.

Art's also a good way to process. We'll be surrounded by sacred spaces and loved ones and rituals and stuff, and sometimes arting it out is a good way to work through some stuff and get in touch with one's gods and stuff. Maybe find an answer to a question that way too.

Sometimes, it's just really nice to color and doodle.

Youth Activities

Friday 7:30 pm - Arts Center Basement - Dance Room - Jen Munson & Nick Cevoli

Young Heathens Movie Night - "How to Train Your Dragon"

Skaldic competition not what your kids is into? Bring your little ones down to see the live action version of "How to Train Your Dragon".

Saturday 9:30 am - Arts Center Basement - Crafts Room - Tim KnightMoore

Honoring the Gods with our Art

Let's talk about the concepts of "blot" and "sacrifice" in a way that anyone of any age can understand it. We'll gather at the Craft area and make artwork to sacrifice to the God or Goddess of our choice. Once a piece is completed, the maker should take the artwork to the ve for the God or Goddess (if one exists) or a general basket for the Gods. Children under 5 should be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday 10:30 am - Field near Rock Wall - Perseus Ferguson

Dragon-Slaying for Children

Children will work as a team and use foam weapons to fight against horrible monsters (adult volunteers) to make a magic sword, climb a mountain, and slay a dragon. Children younger than age 6 should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Saturday 2:00 pm - Archery Range - Mike Stahl

Youth Archery & Thrown Weapons

Mike Stahl will facilitate archery & thrown weapons for the children. Come out to learn or practice your skills!

Workshops

Darraðarljóð in Context and Song – Dr. Annie Cúglas Humphrey, Ph.D

Thursday, 9:30 am

The end of Njáls saga covers the Battle of Clontarf, which was fought in Dublin in 1014CE. This account tells supernatural portents of the battle, including Darraðarljóð (Dörruð's Song), a vision by a man in Scotland of valkyries weaving a bloody loom of human entrails and heads. This eleven-stanza poem provides a fascinating window on Norse and Gaelic relations and the subversion of gender. Annie Cúglas will explain the historical context of Darraðarljóð, and then share their work so far on bringing the Old Norse poem to life in modern song.

Reconstructing Ēostre – Dan Bullard

Thursday, 11:00 am

Direct knowledge of the ancient worship of a goddess named Ēostre is limited to one short quote in a history book. Using techniques from linguistics and comparative mythology, we will reconstruct a vision of the goddess; her aspects, relations, and rituals. Who is she? What is she like? How should she be worshipped? Ultimately, how does she fit into the cadre of modern Germanic deities?

Telling Your Heathen Story – Kyle Aaron Reese

Thursday, 1:30 pm

We all have a story, often profound, about how we came to be heathens. This could be a story that spoke to us during a vulnerable time, or the interactions between heathens that made you feel welcome. Share as much or as little as you want - this will be an interactive format. Come armed with your favorite story from the lore!

Touching Grass and Hugging Trees: A Discussion on Essential Grounding Techniques – Phish KnightMoore & Shawn King

Thursday, 3:00 pm

Northeast Thing can be an intense spiritual experience. Whether you are engaged in the opening, main or closing rituals, an activity at the vé stead, a powerful topic that resonates with you at a workshop or just moved by meaningful conversations with friends and new acquaintances, energy is sure to ebb and flow and you may find yourself experiencing a variety of new (or perhaps familiar) sensations. It is important for all of us to keep not only our physical and mental faculties in check but our spiritual ones as well. This discussion is meant to be an open form to discuss grounding techniques, those subtle but critical practices from deep breathing to walking barefoot in the grass that can help us refocus on the here and now and remind our spirit where home is. We will even try a few things so you can get in some practice.

Wyrd and Welcome: Creating Belonging in Heathen Spaces – Ray Acevedo

Friday, 9:30 am

In a tradition that honors ancestry, tribe, and the threads of fate, what happens when you feel like you don't belong? This workshop explores the complexities of identity, inclusion, and self-acceptance in modern Heathen practice. Together, we'll reflect on the concept of wyrd, the power of chosen kin, and how to build meaningful connection - whether you were raised at the hearth or arrived at the threshold later in life.

How Ríg'd is the System? – What Modern Heathens can Learn from the Rígsþula – Ristandi

Friday, 11:00 am

The Eddic poem Rígsþula, preserved (it would seem partially) in the latter pages of the Codex Wormianus, a 14th century Icelandic manuscript which is the only one to include this particular poem, though its contents are alluded to in other Eddic stanzas. The Rígsþula is one of our most beloved sacred texts, but also one of the most problematic, as it seems to have established a divinely ordered "caste system" dividing Thralls, Carls, and Nobles. What are modern Heathens, particularly American Heathens, to do with a text that suggests that the poor are born to be poor? And that the noble and the wealthy are born to be just that? This workshop explores the Rígsþula - warts and all - and examines the way in which its interpretations might be used to justify social stratification in ways we might find distasteful. It also offers alternative esoteric interpretations that might suggest different ways this poem might be read that allow for both critical understandings of systems of power and privilege, the relationship between the secular and the sacred, and also provide a lens through which we can reconcile latter-day understandings of identity with those held by our sacred ancestors.

Order and Chaos: In Cosmology, Mythology, and Theology....Oh My! – Mike Smith

Friday, 1:30 pm

In this workshop presentation, Mike Smith will guide us to explore an overview of the concepts of Order and Chaos within the context of Cosmological, Theological, & Mythological thought. Although emphasis will be on Northern European and Old Norse Religion, examples from related comparative religious studies and scholarly/academic reconstructive theories will be utilized for understanding. Questions and discussion will follow as time allows.

Workshops

Modular Asatru Ritual Design aka Build-a-Blot Workshop – David Carron

Friday, 3:00 pm

RKN has been doing rituals for years, which is awesome. But we have been doing the same rituals for many years, which is much less awesome. So, we as a group, came up with some ideas. The idea was to tear everything to brass tacks and basics in order to build a better whole. This class will outline my thoughts on ritual design, what we did previously and what and how we decided to come up with.

A Galdr of One's Own – Using the Grógaldr to Get What you Need in Midgarð – Ristandi

Saturday, 9:30 am

In the Eddic poem Grógaldr (first section of the longer Lay of Svipdagr) we witness a Mother, raised from her burial mound, reciting a list of needful spells for her son who is about to embark upon the bride-quest. This Eddic poem, together with parts of the Hávamál and Sigdrifumál, constitute a coherent Germanic tradition of “ formal recitations of magical skills” with analogs as well throughout the wider corpus of Indo-European poetry and mythology. Whether those skills are being taught by otherworldly female companions (as in Grógaldr and Sigdrifumál) or whether they're the fruits of Runic Self-Initiation as in the Hávamál, their similarities suggest a common aesthetic - i.e. our ancestors liked to hear such things recited. Moreover, I'd like to consider the possibility that these lists are more than catalogs of spells. Rather, the lists themselves function as spells - as Galdr. They are powerful poetic stanzas that can, in their recitation, have both psychologically transformative (subjective) and sorcerous (objective) effects.

In this workshop we'll explore ways to use these traditional examples as templates to craft a “galdr of one's own” – an individualized poem of power designed to shatter inner and outer obstacles and give victory in the accomplishment of some important “real world” task.

Reciprocity, Gifts, and the Gods – Mike Smith

Saturday, 11:00 am

Worship, gifting, and reciprocity are all parts of the give and take between the holy powers and humankind throughout the milenia. And do I really need to offer Thor oats and herring to get his good favor? Find out as we explore through myth, legend, and comparative religion.

Demystifying Meadmaking – Kyle Aaron Reese

Saturday, 1:30 pm

Participants will learn the basics of meadmaking including safety and sterilization, materials, and ingredients. We'll talk about flavors, balance, dry vs sweet, as well as ingredient sourcing. The group will create our batches simultaneously. Those with their own batches must be able to transport their mead home to ferment throughout the year. A supply list will be provided well in advance.

Presenter Bios

Ray Acevedo

Ray Acevedo has been part of this vibrant community since 2010, attending Northeast Thing (formerly ECT) for over a decade. With a background in art education and a Master's in Public Administration, Ray brings a unique blend of creativity, insight, and grounded strategy to their work. They've presented at both local and national conferences on topics such as burnout, emotional intelligence, and radical self-care. Ray's workshops are rooted in authenticity, personal growth, and collective empowerment—crafted to nourish both the heart and mind.

Dan Bullard

Dan Bullard has been an Anglo-Saxon Heathen for about 10 years now and is passionate about research and expanding community knowledge of the gods of the Anglo-Saxons. He is a history teacher with an academic research hobby that focuses on reconstructing practices and beliefs that have been lost to time.

David Carron *(repeat presenter)*

David Carron has been around helping NET & ECT from the jump. Trother. Redesman, many years ago. He started one of the first Asatru podcasts, Ravencast. He has been a member of Raven Kindred North for decades. He has been a Family Attorney for about 20 years.

Dr. Annie Cúglas Humphrey, Ph.D *(repeat presenter)*

Annie Cúglas is the goði of the Kindred of Mann, vice president of Northeast Thing, and author of the forthcoming book Norse-Gaelic Paganism. Their PhD was about the Norse in Ireland and they teach world history at Kean University and Ocean County College.

Shawn King

Shawn King began his spiritual journey at 16 when he picked up his first tarot deck from a five and dime shop in Bangor Maine. Baptized catholic, he questioned monotheism throughout his young life and has identified as pagan since the age of 20. With a firm background in ceremonial magick and hermetics he later became a Gardnerian initiate and elevated to the 3rd Degree. Shawn is highly experienced in energy and trance work and has been part of and led pagan/heathen groups for the past 20 years. A devotee to Bridghid and Bragi, Shawn is a multi-instrumentalist and vocalist often employing the drum and percussion in service of the gods and community.

Phish Jeffrey S. KnightMoore

Phish Jeffrey S. KnightMoore has been in a variety of pagan circles for over 30 years and a member of the Northeast Heathen Community for 13 years. While not an academic, they are a student of magic and mysticism and maintain a solitary practice with a current focus on Seidr. They have served as Guide to the Seer for Patricia Lafayllve during NET for the last three years which includes helping attendees ground and center post workshop. Phish is a product designer and digital illustrator by trade and has contributed artwork to the NET art competition as well as creating idols for the Maní, Sunna and Njordr vé.

Kyle Aaron Reese *(repeat presenter)*

Kyle Aaron Reese is a proud transgender man and the Associate President/NYC Steward of The Troth, as well as on the planning committee for NET. He comes from an academic background with studies in anthropology, political science, gender studies, and a Master of Arts in Human Rights. He is also ordained through The Troth's clergy program. In practice, he is a mead maker and craftsman working in wood, stone, and whatever else he can get his hands on!

Ristandi *(repeat presenter)*

Ristandi has been working with the Northern Mysteries for just shy of 40 years. He holds a PhD in Folklore and Mythology from UCLA with a particular focus on Vernacular Religion, Folk Belief, and Ritual. He is a Master in the Rune-Gild (member since 1993) and currently serves as a member of its standing High Rede. Over the years, Ristandi has contributed academic works to the University of Pennsylvania's *Magic, Ritual and Witchcraft* journal, *Gnosis: The Journal of Gnostic Studies*, several edited volumes and museum catalogs, and has also published in more esoteric publications like *Symbel*, *Rûna*, *Odin's Brew*, and *Rune-Kevels*. He has presented on various aspects of Germanic magic and religion around the continent at gatherings like Pantheacon, East Coast Thing, Starwood, Rites of Spring, Trothmoot, Hail and Horn, Summer's Wane, and at several International Moots of the Rune-Gild. This will be his fourth year presenting at Northeast Thing.

Mike Smith *(repeat presenter)*

Mike Smith has been an open, public member of the Norse Heathen community for over 35 years. Once a member of Raven Kindred North in the mid- 1990's, he left to be the founder of Athelingúlf Fellowship, which upon moving to New Hampshire, evolved into the Úlfar aff Jera Þjóð in 2005. Over the years, Mike has written many articles, free booklets, participated in Pagan Pride Days, and has been a regular presenter at major heathen regional events since 1999. He has also been interviewed and featured in many articles, text books, podcasts, and symposiums concerning Norse Heathenry over the years.

Extra Events

Thursday 4:30-6:00 pm - The Cove - John Fitzgerald & Niki Melish

Karaoke

Come out to the Cove for an all-ages sing-a-long. Earplugs optional.

Thursday 7:00-8:00 pm - Crafts Room - Maggie Walls

Art Time for Adults

Maggie will bring some art supplies (colored pencils, gel pens, round paper both black and white, and possibly a few other options). And stencils (which are great for those looking to have something to help kickstart the creative mindset). People are welcome to use some of her stuff but could also bring their own art stuff they happen to be working on. You can work on something else entirely. Or just be in the space, enjoying the creative atmosphere.

Art's also a good way to process. We'll be surrounded by sacred spaces and loved ones and rituals and stuff, and sometimes arting it out is a good way to work through some stuff and get in touch with one's gods and stuff. Maybe find an answer to a question that way too.

Sometimes, it's just really nice to color... and maybe drink... and doodle.

Thursday 7:30-9:30 pm - Dining Hall - John Fitzgerald & Niki Melish

Board Game Night (*Alcohol Free Event)

Do you have a game you love but never have enough people? Found a quirky card game on Kickstarter and it is still in the box? We are looking to have a game night this year at NET. Bring them along if you have space and make new friends and enjoy the company of old ones. In an effort to keep this as open to all as possible, we are asking that this be a dry(aka no alcohol) event.

Thursday 10:00 pm-12:00 am - The Cove - Eric Thorpe-Moscon

Niflheim: A Dark Dance Party

DJ Cyclonus spins '80s New Wave & Dance/Synthpop/Darkwave/Goth. BYOB

Friday 1:30-3:00 pm - Crafts Room - Maggie Walls

Art Time for All Ages (*Alcohol Free Event)

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Friday 2:00-3:00 pm - Ve-Stead Firepit - Kyle Aaron Reese

Queer Empowerment Ritual

We queer heathens and those who love us will lift up, celebrate, and empower one another. Our political landscape is difficult, at best, but our community is strong and nurturing. We'll call upon gods, ancestors, and vættir to watch over and strengthen us as we navigate these dark times, and where our foes would afford us strife, we will strive to find joy and light. Participants may bring items to represent their own needs relating to their gender, sexuality, personal safety, and so on and offerings to whomever they feel is appropriate.

Friday 4:00-5:00 pm - Dining Hall - Raven Munson

Pot Luck Tea Party

We will be enjoying tea, light treats, and most of all each others' company. This is a "come as you are" party, but feel free to express your sartorial splendor if you wish!

What to Bring:

-A treat or light fare to share. It need not be homemade. Sweet or savory? Either is fine!

-A tea cup or mug.

-Favorite teas are welcome, but we will probably not have enough kettles or time to sample every single offering.

-If you can contribute a tea pot, infuser, etc we shall be grateful.