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A Celebration of Trees

The show opens on Friday, May 2. Performances will begin that evening, and will continue through the month of May weekdays at lunch time (this is so schools can attend, as well as people on their lunch breaks and Seniors) in the rotunda area of the State Capitol. The exhibition continues through the month of August, probably coming down the week of August 25th (this will need to be confirmed with the State Capitol staff).

Visual Artists: I would like to receive your work by April 21 (or earlier). Your work must be framed (if not let me know how it is to be mounted). If you wish to have work outdoors let me know soon, as we must inform the Capitol grounds people. Sculptors: pedestal needs (or...) by April 1. By March 1 please get me two (or more) 5x7 prints of your work, for publicity. These will be returned after the exhibition.

Performers: By March 1 I would like two 5x7 (or larger) prints of you for publicity purposes. These will be returned in June.

The Arts Commission has awarded us approximately \$4,300.00. I still need to raise another \$3,000.00. I would greatly appreciate any and all input on possible income sources (names of Nursery owners, arborists, your Mom.....anyone you can think of who might give \$100, \$500 or \$1,000 to the show).

Thanks for your patience during the initial fund raising process.

Best Wishes,

Bobbe Besold

*Manifesto: The Mad Farmer
Liberation Front*

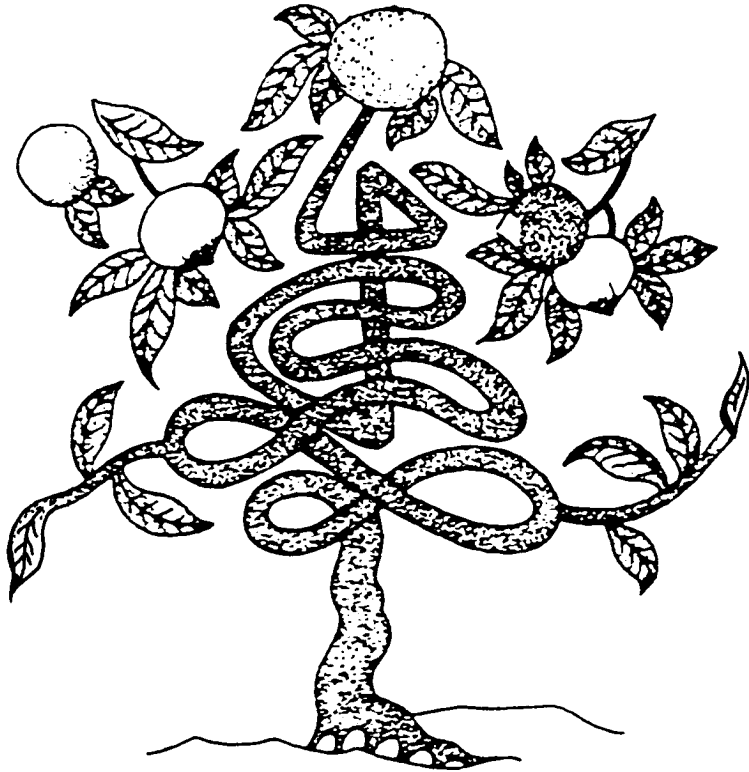
Love the quick profit, the annual raise,
vacation with pay. Want more
of everything ready-made. Be afraid
to know your neighbors and to die.
And you will have a window in your head.
Not even your future will be a mystery
any more. Your mind will be punched in a card
and shut away in a little drawer.
When they want you to buy something
they will call you. When they want you
to die for profit they will let you know.
So, friends, every day do something
that won't compute. Love the Lord.
Love the world. Work for nothing.
Take all that you have and be poor.
Love someone who does not deserve it.
Denounce the government and embrace
the flag. Hope to live in that free
republic for which it stands.
Give your approval to all you cannot
understand. Praise ignorance, for what man
has not encountered he has not destroyed.
Ask the questions that have no answers.
Invest in the millennium. Plant sequoias.
Say that your main crop is the forest
that you did not plant,
that you will not live to harvest.
Say that the leaves are harvested
when they have rotted into the mold.
Call that profit. Prophecy such returns.
Put your faith in the two inches of humus
that will build under the trees
every thousand years.

Listen to carrion—put your ear
close, and hear the faint chattering
of the songs that are to come.
Expect the end of the world. Laugh.
Laughter is immeasurable. Be joyful
though you have considered all the facts.
So long as women do not go cheap
for power, please women more than men.
Ask yourself: Will this satisfy
a woman satisfied to bear a child?
Will this disturb the sleep
of a woman near to giving birth?
Go with your love to the fields.
Lie easy in the shade. Rest your head
in her lap. Swear allegiance
to what is nighest your thoughts.
As soon as the generals and the politicians
can predict the motions of your mind,
lose it. Leave it as a sign
to mark the false trail, the way
you didn't go. Be like the fox
who makes more tracks than necessary,
some in the wrong direction.
Practice resurrection.

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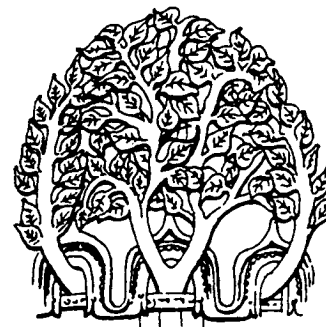
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Bushra Azzouz	Chris Olsen
Lena Bartula	David Parsons
Bobbe Besold	Janet Russek
Geraldine Fiskus	Meridel Rubenstein
Michael Ginsberg	Gaal Shepard
James Griffith	Nancy Sutor
Penny Harris	Luis Tapia
Phil Harris	Gina Telcocci
Basia Irland	Steina Vasulka
Ramon Jose Lopez	Dean Michael Walch
Diane Marsh	Erika Wanenmacher
Mark Oliver with Anne Sabine Nicholas and Marius Gustaitis	Jerry West

**Opening Reception: May 2, 1997
5 to 7pm**

**New Mexico State Capitol building,
Santa Fe, N.M.**



performances, demonstrations,
care and conversations about trees

Wednesdays in May

11:30am - 1:30pm

The New Mexico State Capitol Rotunda

**May 7: dancer and drummer Elise and
Eric Gent, Ross LewAllen
(talking from the tree),
guitarist Mary Outten and
storyteller Linda Piper**

**May 14: Dancer Travis and the band
Middle Sea Trio with David Bilbes,
Kathy Stately and Travis. Sherri
Silverman reading tree poetry**

**May 21: Arborist Kevin Avantes,
carver Chris Olsen and
dancer/storyteller Zulhieka
with cellist Michael Kott**

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505-988-1878

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The New Mexico State Capitol
At the intersection of Old Santa Fe
Trail and Paseo de Peralta

505-982 -1338 ext 128 or 988-1878

Gallery Hours: Mon-Fri. 8am to 7pm



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