

# Imaginal mind, indigenous Self



## Activating deep relationships with Nature through dreams, poetry & pilgrimage

10 & 11 November 2018, The Heritage Room, University College, University of Melbourne

*Day 1: The Call to Pilgrimage: Dreams, Walking, and our Sacred Bond with Nature – Toward the Embodiment of Jung's Synchronicity Principle*

**Veronica Goodchild PhD, Emeritus Professor**

(Pacifica Graduate Institute, USA)



In *Songlines of the Soul*, I explored Jung's synchronicity principle and its implications, how it led to the subtle imaginal worlds of soul in both personal and collective ways. Since writing that book, I have been led further, by dreams and grief about our environmental crises, towards walking as a meditation, a Pilgrimage, a ritual of recollection and a magical doorway through which we can glimpse the subtle world in this one and be taught about the Journey from our heads to our hearts. For me, this speaks to a need for a profound change in our worldview, already hinted at in Jung's alchemical studies and his relationship with Nobel Prize-winning physicist Wolfgang Pauli.

In the lecture, I'll discuss some of these ideas and experiences. In the workshop, we will share experiences of these themes in conversation and experiential symbolic work. *Please be prepared to share dreams and other experiences with the group.*

**Veronica Goodchild PhD** is Professor Emerita at Pacifica Graduate Institute, where she taught Jungian and Imaginal Psychology, Depth Psychology and Alchemy, The Grail Myth, Depth Psychology and the Sacred, Jungian Psychology and Quantum Physics, Dreams, Soulful Research, and Clinical Case Colloquia. She has practiced as a Jungian psychotherapist for over 30 years and is an Affiliate Member of the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts. Dr Goodchild is a Pilgrimage Leader and author of *Eros and Chaos: The Sacred Mysteries and Dark Shadows of Love* (2001, 2008) and *Songlines of the Soul: Pathways to a New Vision for a New Century* (Foreword by Thomas Moore) (2012).

See over for Day Two with Robert Romanyshyn PhD



## Day 2: *The Dreamer and the Poet*

**Robert D. Romanyshyn, Emeritus Professor of Clinical Psychology**  
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*"We are such stuff as dreams are made on..."*

Depth psychology began with the dream as the royal road to the unconscious. My workshop begins with the theme of the dream as a vocation, a calling to remember what has been forgotten and left by the side of the road. Drawing on Jung's idea of the Psychoid Archetype, I suggest that at that level of the unconscious mind it is our collective broken connection with nature that now displays itself in the various ecological crises we face today.

To heal our broken connections with the natural world requires a recovery of the erotic ties between the sensuous body and the sensual world, a development of practices of embodied enactment. One of those practices that I have used in workshops focuses on the cultivation of a poetic sensibility and the power of the poem when it is read aloud to evoke images and memories that awaken the play of imagination. But to

practice this craft, one must have a change of mood, and it is the poet and the dreamer who can lead us into the mood where the possibility of possibility runs counter to the mood disorder of much of our technological world view and much of psychology.

The experiential part of my presentation illustrates these points with an example of dream work and examples of poetry readings from some participants. Please bring a poem and a dream that has transformed the mood of your relation to yourself, others and nature. Together the two days will show the confluence of archetypal and mythic ways of knowing.

**Robert D. Romanyshyn** is an Emeritus Professor of Clinical Psychology at Pacifica Graduate Institute, an Affiliate Member of the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts and a Fellow of the Dallas Institute of Humanities and Culture. He is the author of more than fifty articles in psychology, philosophy, literary and education journals, and of seven books, including *The Wounded Researcher: Research with Soul in Mind* (2007) and most recently *The Frankenstein Prophecies: Who is the Monster?*

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