Dreamcatcher Introductory Workshop

July 7th and 8th, 2016

This 2 day workshop is intended for people who are interested in learning more about how animals can help people and what is involved in partnering with animals to do so.

THIS TRAINING IS RECOGNIZED AND APPROVED NATIONALLY BY THE Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association (CCPA) and participants will receive 12 Continuing Education Credits (CEC’s) for their attendance.

What Does it Involve?

1. Advanced learning is provided prior to attendance at the workshop to become informed of the history of the relationship between humans and animals and the research to support the value of animals and nature for our well being.

2. An introduction to working with a variety of species in a therapeutic context. Dreamcatcher animals include 8 species.

3. Information and education about animal behavior and communication in the species of your choice.

4. An understanding of what we require in our animals before we partner them with people in need.

5. An overview of the ethics of working with animals in a therapeutic context.

6. Demonstrations in how we work with animals to help a variety of people from a variety of backgrounds.

7. An understanding of how you affect and deal with your personal world.

8. Understanding the value of working with animals and nature for Functional Assessments and much more.

This workshop is intended for mental-health professionals, others in the helping and teaching professions and those curious about how animals accomplish their co-counselor role.
This training does not qualify anyone to be a “therapist.” Proper professional qualifications are necessary for anyone to practice any kind of “therapy.”

**Time:** 9:00 am to 4:00/5.00pm pm Thursday and Friday July 7th & 8th, 2016

**Pre-requisite:** Advanced reading materials that will be sent upon registration

**Cost:** $500

Phone: 780-809-1047 ext 2 or Fax: 780-809-1046 or Email eileen@dreamcatcherassociation.com for more information.

The workshop takes place at the Dreamcatcher facility which is located in Ardrossan, 10 minutes East of Sherwood Park, 30 minutes East of Edmonton.

Morning coffee and snacks will be provided daily. Please bring your own lunch.

Most trainings will take place outdoors – **please bring appropriate clothing.**

**Who Are We?**
Eileen Bona M.Ed. is a Registered Psychologist and Behavior Management Specialist and the founder of Dreamcatcher Nature-Assisted Therapy Association and Dreamcatcher Ltd. She has been working with people in need for more than 25 years and has been working in her private practice located on a ranch with animals to help people successfully become more functional for the past 13 years. Eileen is a past Sessional Instructor of Introductory Psychology at King’s University College and the designer and past instructor of the Animal Assisted Therapy course at Lakeland College. Eileen was instrumental in helping with the curriculum design of the AAT courses being designed for Alberta Education - AAT along with Nature Assisted Therapy and Horticulture Therapy which were intended to be incorporated into the Alberta high school curriculums as of September 2009. Eileen designed courses for the only online Certificate in Animal Assisted Therapy in Canada which is currently offered to helping and teaching professionals wishing to partner with animals in their practices.

As a clinical therapist, Eileen has provided AAT services to hundreds of families in the past 13 years. She believes in a collaborative approach and involves parents, teachers and other professionals in designing and implementing program plans. All Dreamcatcher animals are rescued and donated and have special needs and abilities.

Dreamcatcher serves 80 clients per week and has 5 qualified animal assisted therapists on staff.

**Please complete the attached registration form.**
WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Company: ____________________________________________________________

Name: _____________________________________________________________

Address:
_____________________________________________________________________

Email address: _______________________________________________________

Phone: (Home):______________________(Work): _______________________ Fax:__________________

What is your experience in working with animals?
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What are you hoping to learn by attending this training?
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Date of Workshop Attendance __ July 7 & 8, 2016

Amount submitted:
____$500

Total = ______

Please note that we require fourteen days cancellation notice. If notice is given on or before two weeks before your workshop attendance, your money will be refunded in full. If notice of cancellation is given on or after the two-week prior deadline, refund of your money will be dependent upon Dreamcatcher’s ability to fill your reserved spot.

Date: ______________________Signature: ____________________________

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