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Fools Gather To Challenge Authority

In the spirit of the sacred fool, who knows both all and nothing, the Imaginal Institute proudly presents "Fools Dancing on the Edge: The Second Gathering", October 5th-7th, at the Ojai Retreat.

This weekend is an opportunity for creators, thinkers, and wonderers of all shapes and sizes to come together as colleagues to share the brilliance and foolishness of our ideas, find sustenance in community, and indulge in fabulous food and crystalline conversation in magically ridiculous Ojai. This year, fools from around the country will gather to work ideas around the edges of authority.

Leigh Melander, Imaginal Institute Founder, states, "We all dance with power and authority in our lives, but don't often have opportunities to examine and challenge our perceptions about it."

The weekend is structured as a series of workshops and dialogues led by gathering participants exploring the mythologies and cultural imaginings that we do as individuals and within our culture.

Melander continues, "We'll be using art, literature, myth, Commedia dell'Arte, and conversation to challenge authority – at least as an idea!"

All artists, writers, scholars, wonderers, omphaloskepsisizers, and fools in search of a community are welcome! The event is co-sponsored by the Joseph Campbell Foundation.

Please visit www.imaginalinstitute.com for more information, or call Leigh Melander at 754-9425.

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