

Mandala Certificate Program

Information here about our three part, 80 hour training program

Mandalas are circular designs that have long been a source of fascination for contemplatives, artists, and indigenous peoples. Swiss psychiatrist Carl Jung revealed that mandalas have significant psychological and spiritual dimensions as well. Approaching the mandala as a holistic model for psychological growth, spiritual reflection and healing has become a serious pursuit for persons from varied walks of life, cultures, and religious backgrounds. In order to support and contribute to the growing interest in the benefits of creating mandalas for insight, healing and self-expression, Susanne F. Fincher and Marilyn F. Clark offer a one hundred hour certificate program on the mandala as a holistic reflection of the Self.

Marilyn is a gifted practitioner of Guided Imagery and Music who studied with Joan Kellogg in the 1970's. Susanne's books (*Creating Mandalas; Coloring Mandalas*) are highly regarded as accessible and fascinating entrees to the meaning of mandalas. Susanne and Marilyn have developed this program of study with reference to the work of Joan Kellogg, Carl Jung, and Joseph Campbell. This offering is informed by their 30 years of experience as counselors, teachers, and creative arts therapists.

The Mandala Certificate Program includes intensive seminars, case studies, an independent study project with mentorship, and review of applications of mandala theory in helping relationships, spiritual vocations, educational and personal growth settings. Lectures survey the history, anthropology, psychology, mythology, and meaning of color and form of mandalas. The Mandala Certificate is awarded upon successful completion of all three parts of this training. Individuals interested in deepening their understanding of the circle as a universal symbol of process, integration and wholeness will find this program of interest.

Part 1 – Entering the Circle: A Five Day Mandala Intensive (*30 hours experiential training, 20 CE hours through Licensed Professional Counselors Assn. of Georgia*) May be taken as an informative stand alone learning experience.

Part 2 – Engaging the Circle: Study and Reflection on the Mandala through Independent Study (*40 hours*)

A. Correspondence Course based on Susanne Fincher’s book *Creating Mandalas: For Insight, Healing, and Self-Expression*

B. Individual or collaborative study project grounded in experience with or research about mandalas (mentored by Marilyn or Susanne)

Part 3 – Integrating the Circle: Advanced Mandala Intensive (*30 hours advanced experiential training, 20 CE hours applied for through Licensed Professional Counselors Association of Georgia*).

To apply to the Mandala Certificate Program (*Application may be submitted before or after attending Part 1*)

Submit the following to Susanne F. Fincher, 2311 Ava Place Decatur, GA 30033:

- \$45 application fee
- Letter of intention stating personal goals for program
- Resume with job and/or volunteer history
- Recommendations from two individuals who know applicant's character, work and/or study abilities

Applicant may not enroll in Part 2 and Part 3 until application is processed and approved.

Tuition for Mandala Certificate Program:

- Part 1 \$590 early registration* (\$625 late registration)
- Part 2 \$590
- Part 3 \$590 early registration* (\$625 late registration)

**CE's applied for through Licensed Professional Counselors Association of Georgia. \$25 processing fee for CE's for each intensive: Part 1 and Part 3.*

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Cancellation Policy: Full refund up until two weeks prior to Intensive, 50% refund from one to two weeks prior, no refund if cancellation is one week or less prior to Intensive. In the event presenters must cancel a Mandala Intensive, any fees paid will be applied to tuition for the next training of the same level, unless participant requests other arrangements in writing. \$50 processing fee deducted from all refunds.