

Big Love in Times of Impermanence



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Meditation, chant, walking meditation, zikr, Sufi stories, Dances of Universal Peace

Life constantly asks us the same question: how do we connect the seen and unseen sides of life, its limited and unlimited expressions? From the moment we are born, *what* and *why* dominate our existence. While we may think of our lives in generalities, in big pictures, we live them in details. The unifying answer to all of the questions is love. Big love. Meaning not only romantic loves and friendships, but also how we deal honestly with teachers, students, family members, neighbors, acquaintances, enemies and, most importantly, ourselves. The Prophet Muhammad once said, “*the inner path is all about how we conduct ourselves in life*” (“the *din* is all *adab*”). This is why the larger questions of love feature so importantly in Sufi stories and poetry, as well as in the transmission of our lineage teachers.

Through teaching, poetry, stories, chant, meditation, zikr and Dances of Universal Peace, we will aim to go beyond the cultivated but tame stereotypes of love into its wild spaces and unanswered questions. These questions confront us every day in a world in which many things we thought certain—institutions, ways of relating to each other, even our environment—seem to be crumbling around us. In the words of the classical Sufi poets, we are living in a veritable “tavern of ruins.

Times/Dates: 7-9PM-Thurs.(4/2) ~ 10AM to 5PM-Fri. (4/3) ~ 10AM to 5PM-Sat. (4/4) ~ 9:30AM to Noon on Sun. (4/5)

Location: Lussier Family Center /3101 Lake Farm Rd./Madison, WI. **Map:** (<https://tinyurl.com/LussierCenterMap>)

Housing: Housing NOT included in cost of seminar. Recommended hotel is AmericInn Motel. Information and directions can be found at <http://americinn.com/Hotels/WI/MadisonSouth>. A shuttle will be available for attendees to go between the hotel and the seminar. Taxi fare from the airport to the hotel is approximately \$25; [Union Cab – 608-242-2000].

Registration Fees: Full Time - **3 days:** Entire weekend (\$295) includes lunch on Friday and Saturday.

Part Time - **2 days:** Fri & Sat. (\$225) ~ Sat. & Sun. (\$195) **1 day:** Fri. or Sat. (\$125) ~ Sun. (\$100)

Thursday evening 7:00-9:00 PM Aramaic Lord’s Prayer Cycle: (Included with registrations above) or Thurs only (\$25)

Scholarships available. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.

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