

Morning Garden Retreats for Writers & Musicians & Artists

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Make Time For Your Art!

Come spend a weekend at Morning Garden in Gloucester MA, & enjoy a peaceful retreat on the coast with a supportive artist community.

The retreat is open to storytellers of all stripes; including: poets, novelists, short-form fictionists, memoirists, essayists, playwrights, screenwriters, songwriters, composers and visual artists.

For \$160 you get: two nights, complimentary coffee & tea, free wi-fi, access to walks in nature or on the coast, access to a pool table, access to

“The Tower of Inspiration,” access to downtown Gloucester (3min. drive) cafés and restaurants.

Note: attendees will bring food & prepare it on-site in Morning Garden's HUGE kitchen; also, each bedroom is shared by two attendees & comes with its own bathroom/shower facility.

What you'll need to bring: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, snacks, toiletries, towels, writing materials, laptop & attendant accessories, & a desire to CREATE. As for clothing & blankets: please check the forecast before arrival & prepare accordingly!

Some FAQ: couples are welcome as long as both persons are working on their art; & only 2-3 visual artists per retreat (pending space).

Location:

Address: 190 Western Avenue in Gloucester MA.

From points south: take 128 North and take exit 14; make a right onto 133 (Essex Ave.); make a right onto 127 (Western Ave.), and drive a bit up the coast past Stage Fort Park; the house will be on your left. My advice: use GPS!!!

North Shore folks should consider taking 127 North to Gloucester--if you pass Stage Fort Park then you've gone too far; the house will be on your right. Also: GPS it!!!

About the house & grounds: Morning Garden is a Unificationist retreat center with a beautiful view of the harbor, extensive grounds, & a rich history rooted in the ocean. The house, maintained by the Quesada family, is regularly used as a retreat facility for individuals, families, workshops, & conferences.

Meet Your Co-Directors: Jennifer & Sebastien Jean



Jennifer Jean's most recent poetry collection is *The Fool*; other collections include: *The Archivist*, *Fishwife*, & *In the War*. Her poems, book reviews, & essays have appeared in: *Drunken Boat*, *Denver Quarterly*, *Tidal Basin Review*, *Caketrain*, *Poets/Artists*, *Poetica*, *Talking/Writing*, *The Mom Egg Review*, & more. She's Poetry Editor for *The Compassion Project*; as well, she teaches *Free2Write* poetry workshops for *Amirah*, a non-profit advocacy group for sex-trafficking survivors; and, she teaches writing and at *Pine Manor College*. For more about Jennifer, visit: www.fishwifetales.com



Sebastien Jean is a guitarist, composer and musicologist. He received his BA in music/composition focus from UMass Boston where he studied composition with David Patterson as well as classical guitar and jazz arranging with Grammy-nominated recording artist Peter Janson. He earned his MFA in musicology from Brandeis University where he studied 18th century composition with Martin Boykan, 19th century music and Schenkerian analysis with Allan Keiler, special topics in Bach and Wagner with Eric Chafe and renaissance music with Seth Coluzzi. As well, he has studied medieval music with Jeremy Yudkin at Boston University.

Upcoming retreats:

May 8th-10th, 2015

Full payment is due April 24th (2 weeks prior to retreat)
PayPal payment is required (see our "HOW" page)

October 10th-12th, 2014 (Columbus Day weekend)

September 26th-28th, 2014