

Thanks for a magnificent experience. You provided listening, space, silence and words in this numinous place, Tse Gi (Canyon de Chelly). Your Diné friends, Jon and Lupita McClanahan shared their culture and themselves. Their Beautyway entered into all of our hearts. You and they helped build a strong group feeling that was a vital aspect. Tenting, cooking, hiking, writing and listening together enlarged each of us. A must experience!

— KEN GORELICK, M.D.  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

# The Nature of Poetry: Exploring the Beautyway

## Canyon de Chelly in Northern Arizona

The Eleventh Camping, Hiking and Poem-Making Experience with John Fox, Tad Gielow and Diné friends Jon and Lupita McClanahan

During the week, we will weave together sessions of writing and sharing, walking and contemplation. We will visit sacred sites such as Talking Rock & Spider Rock, White House Ruins and the Ye'ibicheii Trail. We will have the chance to appreciate Diné and Anasazi art, from ancient rock painting and petroglyphs to present day artists working with silver and wool.



This workshop is a rare opportunity for non-Native people to be welcomed for a long period of time into this sacred place. We will stay with Diné (Navajo) who honor the four elements and directions on a daily basis. The wisdom stories of the Diné originate in and around the stunning beauty of Canyon de Chelly. Our hosts, Jon and Lupita, will share these stories and their way of life during the day and around the campfire in the evening.

The retreat experience is a cooperative camping adventure in simplicity. I guarantee your meals will be fantastic! The light of dawn and dusk, the hum of the wind, will heal, inspire and guide us. This adventure is appropriate for both beginning and more advanced camper and writer!

**Date: May 24 - May 31, 2012**

**Retreat Fee: \$1250**

**Deposit Required: \$350**

**For More Information & to Register:** Please contact Birch Dwyer at (503) 421-3100 or [ebircht@hotmail.com](mailto:ebircht@hotmail.com).

This fee does not include travel to and from the Canyon, the first evening spent in Chinle and a few optional choices. Please register by May 12. Registration limited to 12 participants.

For more information about John's work and the Canyon experience: [www.poeticmedicine.com](http://www.poeticmedicine.com)

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*In beauty may we dwell.  
In beauty may we walk.  
In beauty may our male kindred dwell.  
In beauty may our female kindred dwell.*

— FROM A DINÉ PRAYER

## REGISTRATION FORM

Reserve your space for The Nature of Poetry at Canyon de Chelly May 24 - May 31 by sending this registration form and a nonrefundable check payable to The Institute for Poetic Medicine for \$350 (balance of \$900 due at workshop) to: John Fox, P.O. Box 60189, Palo Alto, CA 94306. Please be sure to include an email if available.

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