

CHRIS HOFFMAN

CONSULTANT, ECOPSYCHOLOGIST, POET

As a consultant Chris has facilitated human development in a variety of business, educational and therapeutic settings, including 23 years as a senior organizational development consultant for a Fortune 500 energy utility company where he worked on sustainability, organizational change, strategic planning, conflict resolution, team development and coaching. He is a licensed professional counselor.

Chris has taught ecopsychology at Naropa University and has delivered many workshops and presentations on applied psychology. Chris is the author of *The Hoop and the Tree: A Compass for Finding a Deeper Relationship with All Life* (Council Oak Books, 2000), a work on ecopsychology and spirituality which *The Bloomsbury Review* called "therapeutic, enlightening, and a joy to read."

Chris' poetry publication credits include a book (*Cairns*, Orchard House Press / Windstorm Creative, 2005) and publication in *Appalachia*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *EarthLight*, *Sea Kayaker*, among others, and anthologies including *The Soul Unearthed: Celebrating Wildness and Personal Renewal Through Nature*. (Tarcher/Putnam, 1996). He enjoys performing his work both solo and in jazz and dance collaborations. The Afro-pop band *Monkey Siren* has recorded his lyrics on two CD's.

Chris is a long-time student of Zen and T'ai chi and is interested in traditional healing practices and sacred dance. His wilderness experience includes backpacking, mountaineering, and river-running. He lives with his wife and son in a zone of ponderosa and sage woodland along the eastern foothills of the Rocky Mountains by a tributary of the South Platte River.

Publications – Poetry

In addition to the publication credits listed below, I have poems accepted for publication in the next few months in *Avocet* and *Witches and Pagans*.

Poetry Books:

Hoffman, C. (2005). *Cairns*. Port Orchard, WA: Orchard House Press / Windstorm Creative.

Anthologized in:

Spring, C. & Manousos, A. eds. (2007). *EarthLight: Spiritual Wisdom for an Ecological Age*. Oakland, CA: Friends Bulletin Corp and EarthLight Corp.

Adams, Cass, ed.(2002). *The Soul Unearthed: Celebrating Wildness and Personal Renewal Through Nature*. Boulder: Sentient Publications. (Originally published: New York: Tarcher/Putnam, 1996).

Alli, Antero. (1986). *All Rites Reversed*, Boulder: VigilAntero Press.

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Chapbooks:

Hoffman, C. (1990). *Humming to Lizards, Listening to Trees*. Boulder: Yare Press.
Hoffman, C. (1987). *Map & Compass Work of the Spirit*. Boulder: Yare Press.
Hoffman, C. (1985). *Songs from Dream Canyon*. Boulder: Yare Press.

Journals and Magazines, including:

<i>Appalachia</i>	<i>Frogpond</i>	<i>Sea-Kayaker</i>
<i>The Christian Science</i>	<i>Men's Council Journal</i>	<i>The Spider's Web</i>
<i>Monitor</i>	<i>Muse</i>	<i>The Third Wind</i>
<i>The Climbing Art</i>	<i>PanGaia</i>	<i>Wild Apples</i>
<i>EarthLight</i>	<i>Primary Point</i>	

Audio:

"Gyroscope Theory" script - Public Radio, nationwide; part of "Ecoessays" series.
Broadcast date 4/29/99.
"Sustainable Souvenirs" script - Public Radio, nationwide; part of "Ecoessays" series.
Broadcast date 6/14/99.
In: *Rage for Order/Poems with Music*. Galiano Island, British Columbia, Canada;
Mahlow /Prevedos, 1989. (audio tape)
Map & Compass Work of the Spirit. Boulder, KGNU Radio/Sounds True, 1986. (audio tape)

Readings & Performances:

I actively seek out opportunities for readings and performances to promote my books. Most recently I have been collaborating with guitarist Jeff Wahl (jeffwahlguitar.com) in a house concert series. I have also performed in collaborations with choreographer Nancy Spanier (www.performanceinventions.org) and with jazz saxophonist and composer Fred Hess (indra.com/~fhmusic/). I have given readings around the country at venues including The Elliott Bay Book Company (WA), Black Oak Books (CA), The Tattered Cover Poetry Series (CO), Magers and Quinn (MN), The Harvard Coop (MA), and The Ark Bookstore (NM), among others. Video clips are published on YouTube www.youtube.com/watch?v=1XM5pdDdF8M, www.youtube.com/watch?v=uOLle8x1suY&feature=related, www.youtube.com/watch?v=BbXfJ9cXNAQ&feature=related

Lyrics Recorded on CD:

"Forbidden Love" (ASCAP). *Monkey Siren*. Monkey Siren, Resounding Records #RRCD706.
"Circle Home" (ASCAP). *Dance Crazy*. Monkey Siren, Resounding Records #RRCD708.

Education

M.B.A. University of Colorado. (organizational psychology, computer systems)
M.Ed. Community Mental Health, **Northeastern University**
B.A. History, **Yale University**. (history of social change)
Certificate Acupressure Massage, The Acupressure Institute, Berkeley, CA

Other Publications

- Hoffman, C. (2000). *The hoop and the tree: A compass for finding a deeper relationship with all life*. San Francisco: Council Oak Books.
- Several articles in professional journals in the fields of organization development and psychology. Published in: *The OD Practitioner*, *The Quest*, *The Humanistic Psychologist*, *The 1995 annual: Developing human resources – consulting*, *Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, *Psychodrama & Sociometry*, and *The Hakomi Forum*