

FALL EQUINOX

event

Friday, September 20

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Celebration of Fall Equinox at Carmel River with ritual, community & healthy potluck. Join in an invocation to bring back a healthy river to our valley. Held at Carmel River by Little League Field in CV Village.

Bring your good intentions and dish to share!

Free



Register for both events at www.passion4place.net or <https://www.facebook.com/events/205902149572711/>
Call Marie @ 831-915-2706 or Paola @ 831-624-9467 for any questions.

CULTIVATING PASSION FOR PLACE workshop

Saturday, September 21

10am - 3:30 pm

Cultivating Passion for Place

Discover your river muse...engage all your senses... In this workshop, you will ignite your love for the place in which you live and connect more closely with the natural world through honing your voice for writing poetry, journaling, or prose. Integral to the day's learning and experience, we will create a sumptuous meal together inspired from the autumn harvest. Open to anyone interested in delving into a richer relationship with the natural world. Held in Mid-Carmel Valley.

Workshop \$100. Includes writing instruction, exploration, reflection and wholesome lunch and dessert.

Presenters



Marie Butcher has been a resident of the Monterey Bay Region for over 22 years and is deeply connected to this region and community. She is a naturalist, writer, and educator.

She teaches writing

and ESL at Monterey Peninsula College and Monterey Institute of International Studies. Marie's poems have been published in the past three issues of *The Porter Gulch Review*. She is readying her collection of poems *Heart Cracked Wide Open* for publication and has recently created a documentary film on the life cycle of food entitled *Green Cycle* in collaboration with her team from Leadership Monterey Peninsula. Marie is deeply committed to sustainability and "green education," which is at the core of her organization, Green Heart Works.



Paola Berthoin has lived in Carmel Valley for forty-eight years. Being involved in local environmental issues and tending the land she lives on for over twenty-five years have infused her ways of interpreting the land through painting, photography, writing, and advocacy for all watersheds

of the Earth. From being a pastry chef and owning and running a restaurant with her mother when Paola was twenty-four years old to establishing the organization, RisingLeaf Watershed Arts in 2001, and completing the community-based book, *Passion for Place* in 2012, many seeds of ecological awareness have been and continue to be planted locally and globally.