

New Seneca Village Living Values A Collective Commitment and Practice

New Seneca Village is an intentional community and a love offering.

Our intention is to live in the spirit of a Village, one that is interconnected, abundant and thriving.

Our Living Values are the commitments that will allow us to build a Village community in a way that honors and centers our authentic selves while allowing *all* of our many ways of knowing and being to feel seen and sacred.

All Villagers are expected to review and sign this Living Values document in agreement with - and with a commitment to embody - these practices which are in alignment with our Right Relationship Ethos and Founding Commitments.

We are the collective container that creates New Seneca Village as an offering of love.

New Seneca Village Living Values

Interconnection

+ We recognize ourselves as parts of a collective whole.

We respect ourselves and each other with the understanding that we are inextricably linked to this planet, to all of the non-human beings on it, and to one another.

- Our collective whole encompasses a thriving earth ecosystem that includes the natural world, our ancestors, our descendants, and all forms of energetic beings.
- + We recognize diversity as an inherent and critical element of life on this planet. We honor the diversity of being and knowing within ourselves and within each other.
 - We are gender, sexuality, and spirituality expansive,
 - We are sex and pleasure-positive,
 - We are powerful and infinite beings.
- + We are multi-faceted thinkers who bring varied life experiences to the table.

 We acknowledge that our strength, power and resilience are because of our differences, not in spite of them.

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- + We agree that bullying, degrading, and disparaging comments will not be tolerated in any form, whether based on race, age, religion, abilities, culture, language, sexual orientation, gender identity, income, national origin, or any other identities/identifiers.
 - We commit to calling ourselves- and the collective to pause, notice, and acknowledge each other even in the midst of disagreements that could arise.
 - We center the collective intention to hold the container of the Village while remaining respectful towards each other.
 - We know that recognizing each other's wholeness only leads to our collective evolution and freedom.

Restoration

- + We prioritize restoration and practice radical care for ourselves and each other.

 We listen to ourselves in loving and expansive ways and we meet our own needs so that we are a contribution to the collective.
- + We are accountable for our own needs and our own ways of being.

 We interrupt in ourselves and others anything that resembles disconnection and oppression, allowing us to intentionally create space for individual and collective liberation.
- + We embrace presence and pausing with intention and reverence.

We center our own individual rhythm and flow inside our collective energetic container.

- Our collective intention to distance our attention from technology and busy schedules provides space for us to cultivate our intuition and disrupt the capitalist cycles of more, better, faster.
- + We build trust in this community through deep listening, honesty and authenticity. We reflect on our own impact (not just our intention), we release judgment and we embrace generosity and curiosity within ourselves and each other.

Evolution

+ We are responsible for our own actions and impacts whether they are intended or unintended.

We take personal responsibility for collectively co-creating every Village space with compassion, generosity and love.

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+ We recognize communication as a powerful tool of creation.

We use communication to create an intentionally sacred and expansive space for ourselves and each other.

- If in disagreement we use communication to create, not destroy.
- + We recognize and prioritize the collective.

We show up as loving partners with and for the intentional Village community.

+ We keep ourselves and each other accountable to these shared and evolving living values. We honor our commitments and take personal and collective responsibility when we fall short, with the intention to give each other the grace and space to grow together.

Please print your name and sign below if you are in embodied agreement with our Living Values.

Those who sign commit to embody these collective living commitments and values as an intentional practice in showing up for themselves and for all others in our community.

Name:		
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Signature:

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