

The Dickinsons Reach Calendar for the Years 2019 ~~~~~ 2030 and 2041

A Handmade House – Building Yurts and Community

Greetings from Dickinsons Reach Community, the far-flung community of people Bill Coperthwaite assembled during his life. This November marks five years since Bill's death, and we pause to consider the gifts and responsibility he left us. We are grateful to be able to work together ~ to care for Dickinsons Reach and to support each other in simple living, meaningful work and beautiful creating.

The **2019 Dickinsons Reach calendar** will feature images of yurt building – celebrating the beauty of yurts as they take form along with the hands, tools and people that make it happen. Bill used yurt building as a vehicle for communication, and the workshops continue to enrich our community.



Heron's Rip yurt build

photo by Michael Sacca

"My work with yurts has been the result of one person's search, a specific example of exploration in this rich field – not as something to copy, but hopefully encouragement to others to explore, and a way of reaching out to make contact with people of like minds." Wm. Coperthwaite

\$65 will bring you eight calendars

\$55 will bring six; \$15 brings one

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Proceeds from the calendar will go to support the land and buildings at Dickinsons Reach, to preserve this place for future visitors and inspiration.

The **Homesteading Residency** is 4-6 weeks at DR for self-directed learning, discovery, service and creativity. We hope this opportunity will provide residents with encouragement on their life journey, time and solitude to explore, the joy and challenge of living with less, and the fulfillment of a healthy, wild place. To date, five residents have made DR their home for a time, and have brought their own creative and inspiring gifts to us all.

And ~ the **Wille Sundqvist and Bill Coperthwaite Slöjd Fellowship** is gaining recognition. Since 2015, seven extraordinary craftspeople from four countries have been awarded Fellowships to travel and further deepen the meaning, skills, and connections among those passionate about simple living and handmade objects. With memorial contributions following Wille's passing in June of this year and a spoon auction through North House Folk School (our nonprofit partner for the Fellowship Program), we strive to grow the fund. Your contributions are always welcome to support annual awards encouraging an international community of craftspeople.

Please visit our website for more information on these programs: www.insearchofsimplicity.net

Dickinsons Reach has continued to evolve from the home of Bill Coperthwaite, into a quieter place offering the beauty of nature and the inspiration of Bill's memory in his buildings and objects. We encourage visitors to be tidy and respectful of the residents who are making DR their home, and we have built a new 'public' trail to the Mill Pond, which does not go into the more private homestead areas near the yurts.

We ask that if you would like to walk out to DR that you please let us know in advance. The number to call is: 207-200-3898, and this is also posted at the trailhead. If you would like to schedule an overnight stay in the guest yurt, please email dickinsonsreach@gmail.com

Thank you for being part of our community!