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Вопрос 1. Кто такие «Faeries»?

Ответ: For more than 25 years Faeries have been coming together in community to create magic. Faerie gatherings happen all over the world, principally in the United States. Faeries came out of a groups formed in the 1970s to bring gay men together in a space different from the bars and nightclubs. We come together to celebrate our distinctive and unique qualities and to let our true selves be free.

The faeries are an opportunity to create abundance from our many talents and gifts. The faeries are also an opportunity to create a true classless society where no one is identified by their wealth or lack thereof and where no one has power or authority over one another.

Вопрос 2. Что происходит на этих тусовках?

Ответ: The gathering is set up by volunteers and what happens is generally up to the participants. The only planned event is the daily Heart Circle. Everyday at 10:00am, we'll blow the conch and men will gather to speak from their hearts to others in the circle. After Heart Circle it's up to the group as to what happens. If you wish to facilitate a ritual, a workshop, a meal or anything else you are most welcome and will be showered with various forms of appreciation for doing so.

Эти возможности бесконечны и включают в себя следующее:

Поездки на близлежащие острова, чтобы понырять, поплавать в своё удовольствие и с маской и трубкой, сеансы медитации, занятия спортом, пешие прогулки, разнообразные ритуалы, мастерские по интересам, встречи с местным населением, уроки по тайскому боксу, игра на музыкальных инструментах и барабанах (привезённых с собой), массаж, шоу талантов, вечера моды, занятия для настоящих мужчин, катание на лодках/каное, чтение, поэзию, совместное лежание вповалку в куче друг с другом, короткий послеобеденный сон, художественные проекты, занятия йогой и многое другое.

Вопрос 3. Что такое «сердечный круг»?

Ответ: The Heart Circle is one of the most important elements of Faerie Gatherings. It's very simple and involves everyone sitting around in a circle. The circle has no head and no foot. There are no leaders, only participants. There is a talisman, a sacred object from the land or something someone brought, that is passed from person to person, from hand to hand. Each person who holds the talisman has the opportunity to speak to the circle from his heart. Whatever he is feeling in his heart, he can express to the circle. While he speaks the rest of the circle listens with an open heart. No one comments or interrupts. If you do not want to speak, just hold the talisman for a moment and pass it on, but feel the welcoming energy and love of the circle.

A Heart Circle can consist of 2 or 3 people or the entire gathering. It often starts with a small number, say 10, and grows as the energy blossoms. It can last 20 minutes or 4 hours, though most often we'll finish around lunchtime. The Heart Circle is where we have a rare opportunity see each other's souls.

Вопрос 4. Когда мне следует зарегистрироваться?

Ответ: We can accept registrations up to the last minute if space is available. The maximum number of participants will be about 55. More space is available if we know at least one week in advance. For planning purposes please register by January 1, 2008.

Вопрос 5. Сколько это стоит?

Ответ: The cost for each day/night is 1,000 Thai baht. Total cost for the gathering is 10,000 Thai baht. Please pay the full amount, in cash, prior to your arrival as the organizers will need to pay for accommodations and transfers in advance.

Please know that a small portion of the full fee helps subsidize the cost for Faeries from some less developed nations like Cambodia and Indonesia who otherwise could not attend. We appreciate your paying the full amount.

Вопрос 6. Какие условия проживания?

Ответ: Most accommodations are two person bamboo bungalows. Facilities (toilet, sink, shower) are included with most as well as a queen sized bed and mosquito netting. The huts are not air conditioned, but fans are provided and the evenings are comfortable for sleeping. The beds are Thai style and not soft and mushy like Western style beds. Think firm.

Вопрос 7. Придётся ли мне спать в одной кровати с кем-то, кого я не знаю?

Ответ: Maybe, maybe not. Some of the bungalows have double beds, and some have two single beds. You can ask to be roommates with a particular person. If you simply must have your own private space, tell us that and we will try to accommodate you. It will cost you more. Remember, it's fun to share!

Вопрос 8. Включено ли питание в стоимость?

Ответ: All meals are included in the price. You may wish to occasionally sample from the local restaurants and cafes, so bring a little extra cash for those special nights out. The owners of our space are Muslim and the food they prepare will be both Thai and Halal as well as mostly vegetarian with seafood options (the owners of the place are Thai fisherman). This way everyone can eat what we prepare.

Вопрос 9. Будет ли вся еда готовиться для нас или мы будем помогать?

Ответ: Because we'll be staying in accommodations where the families normally prepare meals for their guests, it is unusual for them to allow foreigners into the kitchen.

Вопрос 10. Что из себя представляет сам остров?

Ответ: Koh Yao Yai island is one of a few Muslim places in primarily Buddhist Thailand. There are about 10,000 people living on the island. They are very friendly and welcoming. Because it has not been discovered by tourists, the island is still mostly agricultural and undeveloped. There are a few villages and many families do cater to the tourists that do come. Last year the

first hotel on the island was under construction. There are a few cars, but motorcycles are the primary transport.

In previous years we have had quite a few local fishermen and residents participate in our fashion show as well as the no-talent show, donning outfits and generally having a great time. We have donated money to the local school and had celebrations together with the local people.

Вопрос 11. Имеются ли на острове банкоматы и принимаются ли на местах кредитки или дорожные чеки?

Ответ: No, credit cards are usually not accepted. Bring cash to pay for your gathering registration fee, any extra meals you may have outside of the gatherings, shopping, to pay for excursions or motorcycle rentals, snorkeling, etc. Prices are cheap so you won't need a lot of cash. You can get cash at the ATMs at the Phuket airport or in Phuket Town.

Вопрос 12. Есть ли там телефоны / мобильная связь / Интернет?

Ответ: There are no land lines. Cell phones surprisingly and regrettably work on the beach. There are no Internet cafes or Internet access (no Wi-Fi). Some proprietors are trying to get Internet access for their customers, so there is hope for Internet junkies. If you simply must surf the Internet, you can hop on one of the twice daily boats to Phuket and return in only 5 hours.

Вопрос 13. Есть ли там другие места встреч? Чем там можно заняться? Куда пойти? Есть ли МАГАЗИНЫ?

Ответ: Koh Yao Yai is relatively undeveloped, though there are small shops, schools and restaurants. Think simple. There will be excursions, depending on what people want to do. Options include snorkeling, diving, and even shopping in Phuket or on Koh Phi Phi. The great thing about this is you make it happen!

Вопрос 14. Имеются ли стипендии на участие в тусовке?

Ответ: This year we will use a sliding scale (pay what you can afford) rather than scholarships. If you can afford the airfare to travel to Thailand from another country, we hope you will pay the full price of 1,000 baht per day, or 10,000 baht for the entire gathering. If you are from a developing country, such as the ASEAN countries, we ask you to pay as much as you can afford. We ask a minimum of 200 baht per day at the low end of the scale. This means that if you stay for the entire 10 days, the cost will be a minimum of 2,000 baht, a maximum of 10,000 baht. Please let us know if you are interested in coming, are living in Thailand or a nearby country, and don't have any money for the journey or the gathering.

Вопрос 15. Кто приезжает на тусовку?

Ответ: There will be about 30-50 of us from the USA, France, Greece, Holland, Germany, Belarus, Estonia, Australia, Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos, China, Taiwan, Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, and who knows where else. Many have attended other faerie gatherings, but for many this is their first experience of faerie culture.

Вопрос 16. Кто организует всё это мероприятие?

Ответ: This is organized by the nonprofit foundation, Eurofaerie (www.eurofaerie.eu) based in Amsterdam. Any remaining profits from the gathering will go into a fund for scholarships for the next gathering.

Вопрос 17. Должен ли я беспокоиться, если у меня проблемы со здоровьем?

Ответ: This is a rather isolated island without any hospital or emergency care. If you have health problems that could require sudden urgent care, medications requiring refrigeration, special dietary needs, etc., this may or may not be the gathering for you.

There is a medical clinic on the island that has basic medicines including antibiotics and Thai health care workers. A visit costs about US\$2 and the staff are friendly and helpful. If you need further medical care, there are hospitals in Phuket, which is a ferry boat ride (or a speedboat in an emergency) away. Please consult with the organizers if you have any questions regarding health issues.

Вопрос 18. Будет ли там групповой секс? Найду ли я свою любовь? /Смогу ли я влюбиться?

Ответ: Может быть... Faeries положительно относятся к сексу, но это НЕ СЕКС-ВЕЧЕРИНКА. Some romances bloom at the gathering, and some people have sex. It is up to you to make these things happen if you want them. A gathering is what the participants make it. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet men from very different cultures, and experience them first-hand (so to speak).

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