



## CANADIAN FACT SHEET: APPRENTICESHIP IN THE HEALING ARTS PROGRAM

### General Criteria for Admission to the Program:

Those encouraged to apply for the Anamcara Apprenticeship (Version X) include healthcare professionals, mental health workers, educators, service providers for the aging, clergy of all faith traditions, and hospice volunteers. Family members and non-professionals with related experience in caregiving/service or ministry for the aging, sick, dying and bereaved may also be appropriate applicants. Persons may also apply who wish to deepen in personal growth and consider future related areas of service.

### Pre-requisites for Application:

- Emotionally mature women and men – aged 30 or older (younger applicants considered on an individual basis)
- Commitment to a spiritual path or contemplative practice
- Support from a candidate's significant "circle of relationships"
- Completion of the *Healing the Healers (Sacred Art of Living & Dying)* series or equivalent substitution program
- Working knowledge of the Enneagram as a tool for self-knowledge
- Experience with the "Circles of Trust" small group process

### Program Requirements:

- Intend to fully participate in the Anamcara Apprenticeship Program
- Attend the required Retreat Programs
- Participate in monthly small study groups (Ceili De meetings)
- Commit to a form of regular contemplative practice in keeping with one's own spiritual tradition
- Maintain sufficient electronic communications capacity - high-speed internet connection is required

### Program Structure:

The Anamcara Apprenticeship consists of two program experiences. **Year 1** is required for all Apprentices. Anyone who completes **Year 1** is eligible and encouraged to participate in **Year 2** but is not required to do so. **Year 1** is a nine-month experience beginning with a three-day retreat September 17 – September 19, 2021, and ending with a two-and-one-half-day retreat June 3-5, 2022. There will be two Saturday webinars (dates will be determined in advance of the program) and monthly three-hour small group study meetings (Ceili De) which are arranged by the individual groups.

**Year 2** will begin with a three-day retreat September 16-18, 2022, followed by eight monthly 2.5-hour Saturday webinars and monthly three-hour study group meetings. Participants choose from a variety of specialized Study Tracks with nationally acclaimed mentors. Year Two ends with a three-day Closing Retreat to be held June 2-4, 2023.

### Year One Program Cost: \$2,000 CAD (Canadian); \$1,500 USD (United States)

\$100 application fee (CAD); \$80 application fee (USD) This fee is non-refundable but will be applied to tuition if candidate is accepted.

Balance of tuition is due at the time of acceptance

Payment plans can be arranged

**Year Two Program Cost:** Tuition will be the same as Year One.

### Retreat Location:

All retreats for Anamcara X will be held at Star of the North Retreat Centre, Edmonton, Alberta, unless the program needs to be held virtually due to COVID. Application forms are available on our website at [www.sacredartofliving.org](http://www.sacredartofliving.org). For more information contact Debbie Doornbos at 541-213-8845 or email: [debbie@sacredartofliving.org](mailto:debbie@sacredartofliving.org).