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## Happy Holidays 2011!



It is the end of 2011 and we are rolling into all sorts of hype about 2012. For now, let's enjoy what we have and truly give thanks for our lives, our surroundings, our friends, our music, and especially the simple ways to show a little love in this blessed time of Winter. I read there are meteors shooting across the skies until Dec. 13. Make a wish! Let go of the old, and jump of the surfboard of the new wave of life. Laugh out loud. Share a hug. Eat a cookie, dance the happy dance, do a backbend! Peace to all and pass it on. There is power in numbers. Just by aligning intention, we can make a difference.

### **Easy Munchie for Pot Lucks**



One sourdough, seeded baguette, cut length wise. Combine 1 roasted head garlic (squeezed out of paper), 1 tsp Dijon mustard, 1/3 C soft butter. Spread on bread. Slice one red pepper into thin pieces and crisscross on bread. Put one smoked oyster in each space. Sprinkle with basil, and a few drops of tabasco. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese and broil until bubbly. Cut into squares. Enjoy! Easy to use sautéed mushrooms (any kind) instead of oysters for a nice veggie dish.

## FYI:

**Red Pepper**: a sweetness of peace in the lower chakra area **Mustard**: helps with deep depression **Basil:** adds a spiritual blessings to the physical experience

## Flower Essence Of The Season: Maple



The glorious, sweet maple tree that provides stunning colors and amazing syrups, is also a fantastic flower essence. It helps balance our yin/yang, and reminds us that we are worthy of living, giving, and receiving in a grounded way. We can also let go of outcome and expectations, and enjoy the sweet surprises. Maple also helps with both issues of trust and self-doubt, which are connected, don't you think? Be at home in your body, be at home with your sweet self. Enjoy the remembrance that we are whole already, just expanding into more of ourselves and our gifts.

### **Chuckle:**

So, I asked my husband to put on a little music while I cooked dinner. I asked for The Four Seasons and began humming Vivaldi's Spring. Suddenly, out blasted "Sherry Baby", followed by "Big Girls Don't Cry". I blinked. What happened to Vivaldi? Who said anything about Vivaldi? You asked for The Four Seasons. And so I did. Never thought Vivaldi went to Jersey!

### Yoga pose: Breathe and balance



Simply sit comfortably with back straight and breathe. Breathe up your front body and down your back body. Reverse that. Breathe Love into the front of your heart, and Gratitude out of the back. Reverse. Do that 10 times and feel the difference. When stuck in traffic or a parking lot, breathe and feel your feet. Be here now, and let the sun shine in. Feel the kindness that is abundant if we just take a breath. Even cats and dogs can be friends--we all breathe life in. *Photo: "Kate and Jammie", by Martha Trupiano*.

## **Happy Holidays and Winter Solstice!**



This is the time of year we consciously give and receive. MSS mists are perfect gifts offering more than aromatherapy. Because I use flower essences they are vibrational remedies, which have a multi-level effect. We are vibrational in nature and all of the mists I make work harmoniously with our own energy frequencies. The added bonus is essential oils neutralize air-borne bugs, including virus, fungus, microbes, and bacteria. The 1 ounce bottles are air travel friendly.

Each mist is **\$20** including shipping, but for the holidays there are special prices if you buy a trio, or any duo. Good until December 31, 2011. **Scroll** 

down to page 5 and see all the amazing details!

# **Upcoming Events:**



**Dance the year out!!** Every Saturday at 10:15, move to the groove of World Beat at The Works in Berkeley—bring a friend for free! <u>The Works</u>.

"**Moga Yoga"** Join me every Tuesday night at 7:15 (mixed level) and Sunday morning 9:35 (intermediate), for yoga. Yoga means Union. This ancient practice has transformed with time to meet the needs of today, while quietly addressing universal problems of health on all levels. I use humor, wiggle, and breathing to move through the various poses with whatever modifications are needed. Prepare to explore possibilities, and also to perhaps sweat and laugh. At the <u>Lafay-ette Health Club</u>.



**December 20, 2011 Winter Solstice Peace and Beauty Meditation**, at the Lafayette Health Club, 8:35-8:50 (after yoga). Spend 15 minutes sending peaceful thoughts to the inner and outer world.

**January 22, 1-4 pm. The Power of Sound.** All sounds have vibration and meaning. This workshop will explore the power behind the vowel sounds that we hear in many indigenous chanting. There will be a brief presentation, and then we will end recording what we sing. **Offering** (see offering explanation below). Place TBA.



March 10, 4:30-7:30. Spring Food Fest

<u>What is an offering?</u> It is the Native American tradition of giving something in return for a service that is usually spiritually healing in essence. You look into your heart and ask what is an appropriate energy exchange. Also a little tobacco is given as it represents gratitude. The tobacco industry has warped the ancient respect for the plant.

## GO (Good Only) News!



This seasons' Good Only News is directed down south to Anna Laurita and **Davannayoga** in Puerto Vallarta. I met Anna years ago when living in the Yucatan. I was teaching yoga there and before I knew it, there was a great group at the lovely home she and her family were living in. We became friends and went to different parts of the world, but kept in touch. She and her family are now living in Puerto Vallarta, and Anna has become a wonderful yogini and teacher. If you find yourself in PV, look around the old *centro* and find a place to really connect and do some yoga. As we say in Spanish, "*Vale la pena*", or it's worth it!

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# **MSS News**

# Introducing the new mists and Holiday Specials....



The Newbies: Girl Power and N-light-N (click here for detailed descriptions)

**The Winter Line-up**—Silver Lining, the Revolution Mist, and, Liquid Smudge. For cold weather days, making resolutions, new beginnings, and boundaries. Silver Lining is great for lack of light in heart of sky, Revolutionize your life with change, and Liquid Smudge keeps the energy clear as can be (especially when traveling and staying in hotels).

**The Three Mistkateers**—Journey Mist, FOCUS!, Believe It! These "guys" have your back! New trails, new awareness, manifestations. Journey Mist is for the traveler on the road of self-exploration or adventure (life), FOCUS! is a gift that included meditation, projects, or tests, Believe It! makes the dream in the ethers manifest in this physical plane, and you better believe it!



**The Three Mistics—Om Shalom**, **Comfort Zone** and **N-Light-N**. For integrating our being with our doing— insights into spirit/physical awareness. **Om Shalom** affects the higher chakras while keeping you in your feet and staying peacefully aware, **Comfort Zone** is the necessary place we need to have respite from the demands of life, stress, and lessons, **N-light-N** brings more light into corners, obstacles, and most importantly, our hearts.

**The Three Misteries-- Eternal Flow**, **Unplugged**, **Girl Power**. For delving into the mysteries of consciousness and universal knowledge. **Eternal Flow** is about healing the lower 3 chakras, while being aware of a flow beyond time and space. **Un-plugged** releases demands, especially electric and wireless and

soothes our systems, **Girl Power** connects with the unfathomable force that is the feminine at any age, soothing, supporting, and amplifying those gifts.

ANY 2 mists (see product page) for \$33, plus shipping. All trios are \$48, plus shipping.