

The Seattle area classes are held at the Tesoro de Luz retreat center on Vashon Island., This unique property with its spacious grounds and meticulously hand-crafted gathering spaces is designed as a sanctuary for inner exploration and relaxation. If you need information about the site, please contact the class organizer Helen at 520-975-2173.

Vashon Island Travel Information

Directions for Airport Arrivals

The closest airport is Seattle Tacoma International Airport. Once you arrive at the airport you will need to either take a bus or taxi to the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock in west Seattle.

From Airport to Ferry

By Taxi (My suggestion – take a taxi or Lyft/Uber as it's much easier.)

- On the third floor of the airport you can get a taxi to the ferry dock. Directions from the airport to the ferry dock below. You **must be sure** that your taxi driver knows how to go this route otherwise your trip will cost almost double.
- Cost with trip: Around \$40. Uber around \$25
- Approximate time: 20 minutes from airport to ferry dock

By Bus

- To get to the ferry dock from the airport you must take two buses, the 560 from the airport to west Seattle and change at the Westwood Village Shopping Center. Trip once you get on the bus is an hour and 5 minutes. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$1.75 for seniors. **YOU MUST HAVE THE EXACT CHANGE.**
- For more bus information, go to King County Metro Transit (<http://metro.kingcounty.gov/>) or Sound Transit (<http://www.soundtransit.org/>)

From Vashon Ferry

Please send us your time of arrival at the airport and then call Helen at 520.975.2173 when the ferry starts moving and we will pick you up. Unless you come in during the middle of the day or after 8 pm, we will meet you at the end of the ferry dock once you arrive. At other times we are allowed to drive on to the ferry dock and pick you up at the terminal building. TDL is a 5-minute drive from the ferry dock.

Driving Directions:

Driving to the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock

Driving from Seattle Airport to Fauntleroy Ferry - Take the Airport Expressway, WA-518 to the turn off for Seattle (State Highway 509 North). Exit at Cloverdale and take a left at the T. Stay to the right on to Olson Road and then Roxbury St. Stay on Roxbury until 35th Ave, take a right. Next light SW Barton Street take a left. Follow that road (it changes names to California Dr. and Brace Pt Way but is essential Barton Street) all the way to Wildwood and take a right. Go through the stop sign and keep bearing right to the ferry dock.

Driving from south of Tacoma to Ferry - Take I-5 N to Blantz Blvd in Tacoma. Take exit 3 from WA-16. Take Pearl Street to Pt Defiance Ferry Dock. Take the ferry to Tahlequah Ferry Dock on Vashon.

Driving from Seattle or north of Seattle to Ferry - Take I-5 South to exit 163 west Seattle Bridge. Follow signs to Vashon Ferry and stay on Fauntleroy Rd as it curves left to the ferry dock.

Ferry Information: Ferry to Vashon Island – not Southworth

You can buy your ticket online at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/> or buy it at the ticket booth. No reservations needed. Walk on passengers buy their ticket either on line or at the ferry building down by the ferry.

For ferry arrival/departure times, <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/>

Auto Travel Price: \$17-\$22 depending on time of year and size of car.

There is no fee for the driver. Each additional passenger pays the walk on price below.

Walk on Price: \$5.20 per adult, \$2.60 for seniors (65+)

Driving from the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock on Vashon and Venue:

These are directions from the dock on the northern part of the island. Exit the ferry and follow the main highway approximately 2 miles to the John L. Scott Real Estate office. Veer to the right onto S.W. Cedarhurst and continue approximately 1/2 mile to the 2nd left, 107th Ave S.W. Follow 107th Ave S.W. up the hill and onto the gravel road. At the third speed bump take a right, this is 148th ST. Stay to the right and when you get to the two horse sculptures on your left you are at the driveway to the property. Drive up the driveway to the circular drive.

Driving from the Tahlequah Ferry Dock on Vashon to Venue:

These directions are from the dock on the southern part of the island. Exit

the ferry and stay on Vashon Highway all the way through town (approximately 15 minutes). Stay on Vashon Highway until you come to two S Curves. At the second S curve, 140th Street take a left turn and stay on that road until you reach Cedarhurst Rd. Take a left on Cedarhurst and then take your next left turn at 107th Ave. Continue on 107th Ave/Way as it turns into an unpaved road. Once on the unpaved road, continue to the third speed bump (sign on the left says 148th Street) Take a right turn at the speed bump and stay to the right passed the Horse Statues and come up to the circle driveway at the end.

Departure Information

Returning to the Seattle Airport without a Car

Let Helen know when you will be leaving, and she will give you a ride from the venue to the Fauntleroy Ferry Dock on the north part of the island.

From there you will take the ferry to the West Seattle Ferry Dock and then you can call an affordable car service (206.495.3434 www.affordablecarservices.com) or call Lyft or Uber to take you to the airport.

Driving Directions from Fauntleroy Ferry Dock to Seattle Airport

Take a right turn at the end of the ferry dock and the first left on to Wildwood. Stay left through stop signs on to Barton. Take a right on to 35th Ave and then the first left on to Roxbury. Stay on Roxbury as it curves to the left and becomes Olson. You will see the turnoffs to the 509. One to Seattle the other to Des Moines or south on the right. This is the second entrance to the freeway. DO NOT GO TO SEATTLE.

Stay on the 509 until you see the signs for SeaTac Airport. Exit there and take the first left straight into the airport and follow signs for rental return.

Lodging

On-site Accommodations:

We have a limited number of housing options on the property that will be given on a first come, first serve basis. These include:

1. The Treehouse: \$125/night - \$150/night ~ A one-bedroom treehouse that can be reserved for one person at \$125/night or shared at \$150/night for two. In addition to the main bedroom there is a living room/kitchen area with a pull-out bed. There are two bathrooms. Bathing is available in the

main work building. More information on the tree house can be found by searching for Vashon Treehouse

2. Private Bedroom: \$100/night ~ Two private bedrooms are available with a shared bathroom.

3. Dorm: \$50/night ~ Dorm style accommodations are available in the main meeting room with access to a bathroom, a sitting area, and limited kitchen use. We have room for two or three people staying in this building.

4. Camping: \$35/night ~ Tents, comfortable air beds, bedding, and pillows will be provided upon request. Bathrooms available on the property.

Contact us at helenmaryluce@gmail.com for more specific information about available options or to reserve a space.

Off-site Accommodations:

There are many Vacation Rental Homes <https://www.vrbo.com/>, Airbnbs www.airbnb.com and other Bed and Breakfast options on the island. We can provide limited transportation to and from class if you are staying close by. If not, a car would be needed. There are buses that run all day and e-bikes are also available for rent. Check with us for ideas and locations. Vashon is a very popular place during the summer so it's best to reserve sooner than later. The Vashon Chamber of Commerce is also a useful resource to explore housing options.

North of town and close by

Lodges on Vashon – www.lodgesonvashon.com – 206. 693.3750 – In the center of town Brand new buildings close to shopping, restaurants and groceries. Expensive, \$200 + per night.

Giraffe & Guest Suite – www.giraffehome.com – 206.463.1372 (near the center of town and shopping above gift shop, very nice apartment suite)

Belle Baldwin House – 11408 Cedarhurst Road – 206.463.9602 – www.vashonparkdistrict.org _ Big old mansion with at least 4 bedroom right on the water and close by. Good place to share if you can get the weekend you want.

Betty MacDonald Farm – 11835 99th Ave SW – 206. 567.4227 – www.bettymcdonaldfarm.com Close by. Oldest house on the island, friendly and clean.

Northview Guest House – 104th Place SW – 206.463.9181-
www.onvashon.com

Artist's Studio Loft B&B – 16529 91st Ave – 206. 463.2583 –
www.vashonbedandbreakfast.com - Studio B&B quarters and cottages with
kitchens. Clean, friendly, beautiful grounds near town and not far from
workshop.

Lavender Duck Inn (hostel) – 16503 Vashon Highway SW – 206.463.2592
– www.vashonhostel.com Near down and close by, right off the main road.

Wolf Glen Vacation Rental – 11312 SW McCormick Place – 206.409.5579
– www.vactionrentals.com Within walking distance of the workshop. Near
the water.

Last Resort Guest House – 19807 Robinwood Rd. SW -206.495.1410 –
Kind of close by. View of the water

Triplebrook Guest House – 17705 Westside Highway – 206. 463.3386 –
www.triplebrookvashon.com

South of town and a bit further away. Not more than 20 minute drive and
probably less

A&E Bed and Breakfast – 10910 SW 23rd St – 206.276.5136 –
www.vashonbandb.com

Andrios Guest House – 27717 145th Ave SW – 206.817.4764 –
www.vacationrentals.com (#31704)

Lavender Hill Farm – 10425 SW 238th St – 206.376.6444 –
www.lavenderhillvashon.com

Plum Lodge – 14210 SW Reddings Beach Road – 206.408.7162 –
www.plumlodge.com info@plumlodge.com

Quartermaster Cottage – 23819 Vashon Highway – 206.794.9451 –
www.quartermastercottage.com

Swallow's Nest Guest Cottages – 1.800.463.2646 –
www.vashonislandcottages.com

Maury Cottage – 5313 SW. Pt. Robinson Road – 206.463.4558 -
www.maurycottage.com - On the way to the lighthouse and beach

KVI Beach House (near the beach) – 206.463.6276 – www.vrbo.com (#408415)

Eagle Heights Cottage Bed & Vegetables – 206.304.7188 – www.eaglesheightscottage.com

Dillworth Point B&B – 206.550.7714 – www.vrbo.com (378103)

Point Robinson Lighthouse/Keeper's Quarters (on the beach by the lighthouse – two house to share) – 206.463.9602 – www.vashonparkdistrict.org

Our Island Beach Getaway – 206.463.1999 – www.ourislandbeachgetaway.com

The Bicycle in the Tree House (famous landmark) 206.463.4864 – www.thebicycleinthetreehouse.com

The Lodges on Vashon (opening summer 2014) – www.lodgesonvashon.com stay@lodgesonvashon.com

Last Resort Guest House – 206.495.1410 – www.vashonchamber.com

Meal Information

Although each type of on-site housing has limited access to a kitchenette, there aren't facilities available to cook your own meals. If you are staying off-site, your accommodations might have a kitchen for you to prepare your own food. There are a number of restaurants within four miles of the venue and food choices that include vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free as well as two grocery stores.

Weather on the Island

It's best to bring layers of clothing to prepare for all kinds of weather while you are visiting and to check the forecast before you travel. Remember that it is a rainforest and can be very rainy except for in July, August and September when the temperatures can rise into the 90's. Generally, the weather is temperate.

More About Vashon Island

Most of the stores on Vashon are located about 4 miles from the venue. There is a limited variety of almost everything else on the island (16 places to eat) and an abundance of galleries - it's a very creative place. There is

also one movie theater, a community theater and lots of live music and performance. Visit the Vashon Chamber of Commerce website <http://www.vashonchamber.com/> and find out more about what the island has to offer.