



About Ann Linnea

Ann Linnea is writer and educator with decades of experience serving the art of dialogue in a fascinating range of settings. Whether she's guiding people on a wilderness quest or presenting a workshop to business leaders, Ann embodies the stewardship of wild things which has characterized her life and work. She began her writing career in Utah, authoring hiking and skiing guides during her years as U.S. Forest Service naturalist in the 1970's. In 1991, Ann co-authored the award-winning *Teaching Kids to Love the Earth*. In 1992, she designed her own mid-life rite of passage and became the first woman to circumnavigate Lake Superior by sea kayak (an 1,800 mile journey). *Deep Water Passage, A Spiritual Journey at Mid-Life*, describes this journey, portraying her extraordinary physical courage and even more extraordinary spiritual trial and transformation.

In 1994, Ann and author/educator Christina Baldwin co-founded their educational company, PeerSpirit, Inc. Ann has keynoted at the University of Minnesota, "Bonds between Women and Water," conference; the University of Wisconsin, opening convocation; and the National Park Service, Alaska Regional Conference. She has also worked with the Race and Gender Institute at the University of North Carolina, and consulted with the Center for Nursing Leadership, American Organization of Nurse Executives and other health care clients. When replenishing herself at home she enjoys gardening, kayaking, and bicycling. She has two grown children and one adorable grandson.

Ann is the author of the following books:

Keepers of the Trees, Stories of Passion, Science, and Advocacy (upcoming)
Journey through the Maxwellton Watershed, (Washington State, Water Quality Grant, 2002)
Deep Water Passage, A Spiritual Journey at Mid-Life (Little, Brown, 1995; Pocketbook, 1997)
Teaching Kids to Love the Earth (1991 Pfeifer-Hamilton/ University of Minnesota Press).

Anthologized essays include:

Arctic Refuge, A Circle of Testimony, compiled by Hank Lentfer and Carolyn Servid (Milkweed Editions, 2001) "Leaving a Legacy"
Soul of Creativity, Insights into the Creative Process, edited by Tona Pearce Myers (New World Library, 1999) "Two Dragonflies and a Volcano"
Gifts of the Wild, A Woman's Book of Adventure (Seal Press, 1998) "Superior Spirit"
Another Wilderness. New Outdoor Writing by Women, edited by Susan Fox Rogers (Seal Press, 1994) "Superior Spirit"

Ann's educational background:

B.S. Botany, Iowa State University, 1971, honors
M.A.T. in Education, University of Idaho, 1972
Elementary certification, Utah State University, 1974
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Wilderness Guides Council
Washington Water Trails Association
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Whidbey Audubon Society
National Resources Defense Council
Art of Hosting Conversations that Matter
Collective Wisdom Initiative