



Myth Lab 2018

"Let's Write New Stories, Songs and Myths Together!"

A Free Planetshifter.com eWorkshop | Sign-up at [Google Groups](https://www.google.com/groups)

| Feb. 19 – March 9 | Instructor: [Willi Paul](#), Mythologist |

Co-Sponsors Include: [Openmythsource](#) (FB) & [New Mythology, Permaculture & Transition](#) (LI)

[Mythology](#) refers to the various stories collected of a group of people. It is a feature of every culture, particularly ancient cultures. Myths convey belonging, shared religious experiences, behavioral patterns and moral/practical lessons.

- Outcomes -

1. Participants write and publish a story, song or a universal myth
2. We will consider how the workshop helps to advance the theories of Creation and Community - Participatory Mythologies

Major Topics and Values:

Permaculture – Community Sharing
Transition – Localization
Nature – Preservation

Selected Themes:

Toxic Seeds
Backyard Gardens & Food Forests
The Refuge Ark
Recycling & Land-fill Grow
Species Extinction
Fracking
Gun Violence
Rewilding
Green Tech

Story Drivers:

Sounds
Symbols
Archetypes
Artifacts
Alchemy

- Process Schedule (Asynchronous Event) -

2/5 - 18: Participants [sign-up at Google Groups](#) (free) and introduce themselves with bio (preferred)
2/19: Review Resources; Q+A time
2/21: Participants select theme and complete journey map
2/22 - 26: Write draft story or myth
2/27 - 28: Group critique of drafts
3/1 – 3/7: Final writing session
3/9: Completed work due; mythology theory discussion; workshop critique
3/24: Illustrated stories, songs and myths published on Planetshifter.com & Network

- Resources –

Willi's [New Myths](#) | [The Chaos Era](#) | [eBooks](#)

"[SAVANNA - Sound Myth #3](#)" - Video + Sound Storyboard by willi

"[Journey Mapping - Sound Archetypes and the New Mythology](#)" with Research Questions
<http://www.planetshifter.com/myth/2496>

12 Elements of Modern Myths - 1. Sci-Fi & Para-normal 2. Universal struggle 3. Journey, Initiation, Community as Hero 4. Permaculture and Transition Values and Symbols 5. Eco-Alchemy 6. Nature is Sacred 7. Threat of apocalypse 8. Symbols & Artifact Initiated 9. New rituals and traditions 10. Rewilding 11. Resilience 12. Sound Archetypes (W. Paul, updated 2017)

Myth Lab Examples:

Texting Joseph Campbell - Five Methods to Design New Stories & Myths. eBook #18.
<http://communityalchemy.com/TJC/TJC.pdf>

"**The Tower of Fire and The Resilient Human**" - AD 2029. New Myth #93. Myth Lab #12
<http://www.planetshifter.com/myth/2423>

"**Myth Lab Live @ NW Permaculture Convergence 2013, Forest Grove, OR**": Report from Willi Paul
<http://www.planetshifter.com/myth/2132>