

Save the Date

Thursday January 28th from 7:00 - 8:30pm EST

The Illuman Council Practice Guiding Circle is excited to announce our first Watering Hole Event for 2021 - A First Look at Bill Plotkin's latest book 'The Journey of Soul Initiation'.

Registration information will be communicated in the coming days through the [Illuman Event page](#), please check back to Sign-up.

A short introduction to the Event.

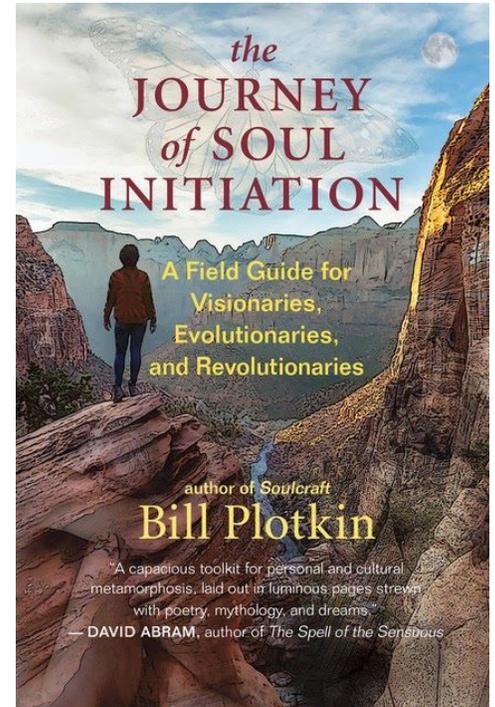
Soul initiation is an essential spiritual adventure that most of the world has forgotten — or not yet discovered. Here, visionary ecopsychologist Bill Plotkin maps this journey, one that has not been previously illuminated in the contemporary Western world and yet is vital for the future of our species and our planet. Based on the experiences of thousands of people, this book provides phase-by-phase guidance for the descent to soul — the dissolution of current identity; the encounter with the mythopoetic mysteries of soul; and the metamorphosis of the ego into a co-creator of life-enhancing culture. Plotkin illustrates each phase of this riveting and sometimes hazardous odyssey with fascinating stories from many people, including those he has guided. Throughout he weaves an in-depth exploration of Carl Jung's Red Book — and an innovative framework for understanding it.

What some are saying about Bill's latest work:

"Now, when we're called to act on behalf of what we love and to contribute our unique gifts to the maturation of our endangered species, Bill Plotkin offers lucid and grounded guidance, wisdom, and an illuminated pathway. I am in awe of this book. A rare and precious gift." — **Nina Simons, cofounder of Bioneers**

"We all say we want to grow, to change, to become ourselves, but do we? In *The Journey of Soul Initiation*, Bill Plotkin synthesizes the wisdom and shamanic traditions of the millennia whose archetypal structure of death, initiation, and transformation, once found in tribal practice, must now be accessed from within. His work is a great gift, and a guide, to those who wish to undertake the journey set in motion when the gods brought us here." — **James Hollis, PhD, Jungian analyst and author of *Living Between Worlds: Finding Personal Resilience in Changing Times***

"Bill Plotkin — and his teachings — are in a category all their own! He is a priest of the soul, a therapist of the heart, a stimulator of the mind, and a companion of the body. And then he works them all together! Plotkin is a theologian of no particular religion, but he creates a solid



foundation for a truly natural religion — that still honors growth and transcendence. You must know this is a most rare and much-needed synthesis!” — ***Fr. Richard Rohr, Center for Action and Contemplation, Albuquerque, New Mexico***

“Bill Plotkin has created a fascinating and intelligent approach to deepening life and developing yourself to be in the world in an engaged and individual way. I haven’t seen anything so original and solid. It is both contemporary and traditional, mapping out the soul’s descent into a meaningful way of life. We need this kind of charting of depth more than ever before.” —

Thomas Moore, author of Care of the Soul

We hope you can Journey with us on Thursday January 28th.

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