

# The Hero's Adventure

An Exploration of the Archetypal Masculine Journey of Transformation



**You know these heroes. But more importantly, you know these stories.** Even though they are fantasies—modern fairy tales—there is something in them that resonates within us, something that feels true. That feeling of truth comes from the fact that they are all built on an archetypal and psychological framework of masculine transformation. The stories contain the code for that transformation: the calling, the crossing of the threshold, the quest with all its challenges and opportunities, the transformative moment, and the return and integration. By exploring the code hidden in these stories, we can empower transformation in our own lives to better live our dreams and serve our loved ones and communities. This is your invitation.

**Join us from Friday evening, March 10 through noon on Sunday, March 12 2017 at First Landing State Park in Virginia Beach, VA for a fellowship of men committed to exploring their own deeper purpose through the map of The Hero's Adventure.** Hosted by Hampton Roads Pagan men, this annual event of the Brotherhood of the Bog is a an annual men's spiritual and bonding experience. The experience is primarily Pagan though all respectful spiritual seekers are welcome. We also welcome men of all sexual orientations and backgrounds.

**Like a true hero's journey, commitment is everything.** So, while the event is open to those who can only attend on Saturday, the richest experience will be had by those that commit to being with us from Friday evening through Sunday afternoon. This year's event will be facilitated by teacher and author, Tom Crockett, as he takes us through symbolic model of the hero's journey as it relates to our own lives:

- **Friday Evening:** The Calling and what is it that makes someone a hero
- **Saturday Morning:** Crossing the Threshold and understanding the aspects of the quest
- **Saturday Afternoon:** The Challenges and Opportunities of the Quest and making it personal
- **Saturday Evening:** The Long Dark Night and the moment of Transformation
- **Sunday Morning:** The Return Journey and the reintegration of hero in the ordinary realm

Through a variety of activities ranging from visual presentation, engaged discussion, ceremony, music, and symbolic manifestation through art, our intention is to make this a personal journey for each participant. By the end of the weekend you should understand where you are on your own hero's journey or your need to step over a threshold of your own or commit to completing a journey in which you find yourself stuck.

More information will be available at the Website: <http://www.orderofthestonecircle.org/index.php/events/annual-men-s-retreat>, but we encourage you to mark your calendar now for the full weekend event of brotherhood, fellowship, and transformation.