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Welcome to the Berkeley Art and Interreligious Pilgrimage Project (BAIPP) Quarterly Newsletter!

Join Us



The Berkeley Art and Interreligious Pilgrimage Project (BAIPP) is an invitation to create and experience art-infused pilgrimages in the Bay Area and beyond. It seeks to link sacred landscapes the world over to neighborhoods, gardens, and backyards as a way to connect with each other and with our ancestors, and to serve as a catalyst for spiritual healing and physical recovery.

BAIPP offers the unique opportunity to engage the senses through the relics and rituals of ancient and modern practice, and the beauty of the natural world, experienced virtually or through your feet walking on sacred ground, be it a journey of some distance or in your own neighborhood.

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Get To Know Our Team



The BAIPP is led by an esteemed group of scholars and practitioners, united by a common interest in the promise of pilgrimages. Get to know our team [here](#).

We are especially excited to welcome our newest advisory board member, [Dr. David Zucker, MD, PhD](#). David has been a huge supporter of backyard pilgrimages and aims to help people negotiate both the spiritual and physical dimensions of cancer. He received his MD from Stanford, completed

his residency at the Mayo Clinic and is founding and emeritus Chair of the Cancer Rehabilitation Physician Consortium (CRPC), a group of American Academy of Physical Medicine; Rehabilitation physiatrists dedicated to improving functional health for cancer patients. David is excited to partner with us to continue to explore the health dimensions of art-infused pilgrimages.

Meet Our Team

Take A Fall Pilgrimage:



Angel Island Pilgrimage: A Reflection on Roots, Migration, Detention, and Border Control:

Sometimes called the "Ellis Island of the West," Angel Island was the first stop for hundreds of thousands of immigrants seeking entry into the United States between 1910 and 1940. This pilgrimage to Angel Island is intended to offer a spiritual journey of connection with past generations of

immigrants to the United States. By revisiting the past, this pilgrimage attempts to transform understandings of the present in order to build a future where historical wrongs are repaired, trauma is healed, and people may be reconciled with one another.



A Pilgrimage of Care and Healing:

For this pilgrimage, we've partnered with the Gubbio Project in the Mission District of San Francisco, which provides people living with housing insecurity with a safe and quiet place to rest, personal supplies, foot care, massage, referrals, and chaplaincy necessary for those living on the streets. This pilgrimage is an invitation to service through contemplation in action. Like all BAIPP pilgrimages, you can participate virtually or by physically walking the route.



A Musical Labyrinth:

Launched in April, GTU MDiv student Elise Dubravec created a piano composition based on the Sibley labyrinth in the East Bay hills, accompanied by an album of photographs! As pilgrims surrender to the pattern of a labyrinth, Elise hopes the music provides a space for listeners to surrender to the melody.

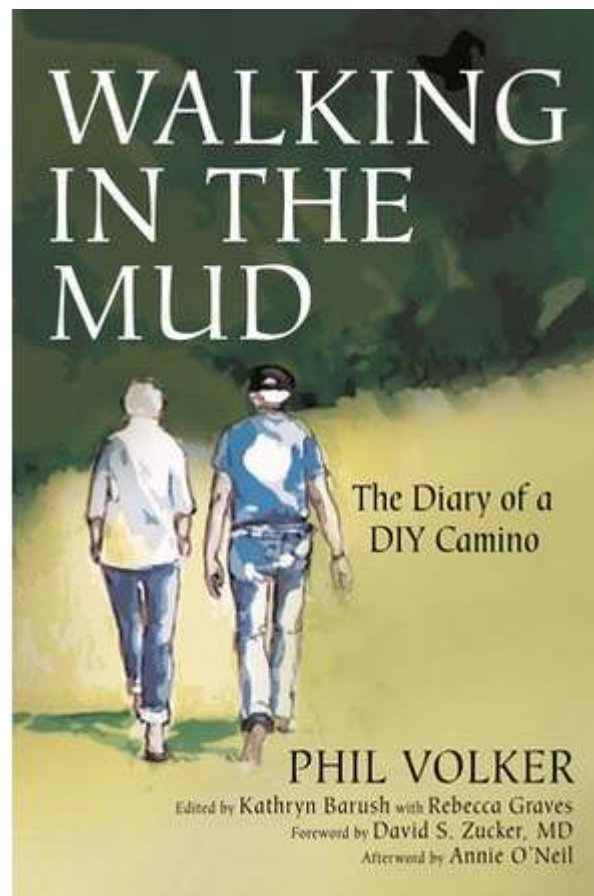


Coming soon: Hare Krishna! A San Francisco Śrīla Prabhupāda Pilgrimage

Tracing the footsteps of Śrīla Prabhupāda, founder & Ācārya of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, also known as the Hare Krishnas, this soon-to-be-released pilgrimage will take you on an art and music infused route through Berkeley and San Francisco.

Check out [our website](#) for new pilgrimages. We're always adding new routes!

For Your Reading Pleasure:



We are delighted to announce the publication of *Walking in the Mud: The Diary of a D.I.Y. Camino* (Wipf & Stock, 2022) written by Phil Volker and edited by Kathryn Barush and Rebecca Graves. Part *Old Farmer's Almanac* and part spiritual autobiography, this inspirational book tells the story of one man's journey of healing through his creation of a backyard Camino. The book includes a preface from oncologist and BAIPP advisory board member Dr. David Zucker, MD, Ph.D., medical director and program leader of Cancer Rehabilitation Services at Swedish Cancer Institute in Seattle.

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We are always looking for route guides, curators, and mappers! We welcome your thoughts and ideas. Email us at pilgrimage_project@gtu.edu.

Support the BAIPP:

With your support, we will introduce even more local and regional pilgrimages to connect experienced and novice pilgrims with the land, and to support the physical, mental, and spiritual health of community members in the Bay Area and beyond. Your donations will go directly to support:

- Artist / guide commissions
- Equipment costs
- Mapping app development

If you need assistance or have any questions about supporting the BAIPP, please email Kathryn Barush (Project Director) at pilgrimage_project@gtu.edu. Please click the button below for our easy-to-use online giving form!

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