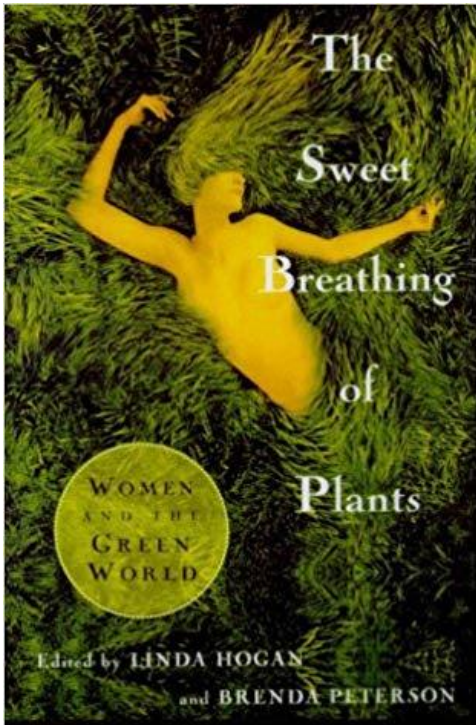


The Sweet Breathing of Plants

Sweet Breathing of Plants Community Read & Open Mike Night

Tuesday, October 23, 7 - 9pm



Join fellow language and plant lovers to discuss and read passages from the *Sweet Breathing of Plants*. (New York: North Point Press, 2001)

[The book] is "a bumper crop of the best writing by women on women and plants. Since prehistory, plants--as sources of food, medicine, clothing, beauty, and life itself--have been the province of women. Yet no previous book has attempted to bring together the rich literature this husbandry has inspired. This burgeoning collection amply addresses that lack, with more than three dozen selections of nonfiction and poetry...Linda Hogan and Brenda Peterson illuminate their subject from a range of perspectives. Here are curanderas and craftswomen whose legacy of plant wisdom safeguards our connection to the green world; botanists and geneticists; and visionaries...who show us the world...in a blade of grass...Here is an eloquent 'ode to mold,' a paean to mulch, an elegy for elders. Here is a book that celebrates an ancient and ongoing relationship in a new and appealing way."-- Libguides

The Arboretum Library has purchased 10 copies of the book. If you are interested in participating, come to the Arboretum Library and pick up a book. Then on October 23rd, join the discussion about the book. After the discussion there will be an open reading of your favorite short passages. If you have another related reading on our relationship to plants, please bring that to read as well. Each participant will be limited to 5 minutes and will sign up at 7:00 pm to read or recite.

This author talk is the second in a series of programs that are part of *The Sweet Breathing of Plants*, *Indigenous Arts of the Neshkinukat Artists* exhibit on view in the Arboretum Library October 6 through December 21, 2018. The project is made possible with support from California Humanities, a non-profit partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Visit www.calhum.org.



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