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## MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND PAPERMAKING WORKSHOP

## **Spend The Day With Someone You Love!**

Rosendale, New York, May 6, 2013-- Wild Earth and Women's Studio Workshop invite women and children (6+) to take part in an afternoon of papermaking at WSW in Rosendale.

Participants will work with artist and papermaker Kasia Keeley to learn the basics of sheet pulling as well as some creative variations like making stationery and envelopes, and embedding other plant materials into the papers.

In the workshop participants will make paper from recycled materials and naturally grown fibers. Ms. Keeley will show how to use materials from around the house to make truly homemade paper. Mothers and children will also make paper with pulp from plants grown right on the Women's Studio Workshop *ArtFarm* as well as see where the fibers grow.

Class is best enjoyed by children age 6 and over and the number of students is limited to 14 so sign up early!

When: Saturday, May 11, 2013

**Time:** 10:00am to 2:00 pm

Where: Women's Studio Workshop, 722 Binnewater Lane, Rosendale, NY 12472 845-658-9133 or 845-323-1374

**Cost:** \$50 per person, limited scholarships

**What to Bring:** Newspapers, notes, photos, and flowers from home to include with the recycled pulp or to embed in your sheets of paper as you create them.

This Mother's Day Weekend Paper Making Workshop is the first collaborative event between Wild Earth and Women's Studio Workshop. Wild Earth Executive Director, David Brownstein said, "Wild Earth is excited to collaborate with Women's Studio Workshop on a program that offers people a connection to their artistic creative energy while sourcing natural, found material from the Earth." This program helps Wild Earth further its mission of creating multi-generational programs, connecting people to themselves, to others and to the Earth.

Located along the Shawangunk Ridge in New York's Hudson Valley, Wild Earth is a not-for-profit organization that runs nature-based programs for children, teens, families and adults.





"At WSW we believe that learning about how to provide artists with sustainable materials is crucial," said Ann Kalmbach, Executive Director of WSW. "We are pleased to work with Wild Earth to teach people more about this exciting 'new' way of working with plant material." Women's Studio Workshop offers a variety of classes for artists at every level of experience.

**Women's Studio Workshop** (WSW) is a visual arts organization in Rosendale, New York. The WSW summer program offers a variety of classes focusing on new techniques in hand papermaking, printmaking, book arts and related media. WSW also presents community ceramics courses, one-day family clay classes and private instruction in all of their studio areas.

Since 1974, WSW has brought over 5,000 artists from across the globe to work in the printmaking, hand papermaking, letterpress printing, photography, book arts and ceramics studios. Over 6,000 Ulster County youth have participated in WSW's art-in-education program. WSW's artists' book grant program has published more than 200 artists' books, collected by special collections of major libraries and museums including The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Tate Modern, The Library of Congress, among others.

http://wsworkshop.org/program/art-classes-workshops/

http://wildearth.org/

## About the instructor, Kasia Keeley:

**Kasia Keeley** is a printmaker and papermaker with training in alternative processes such as sculptural papermaking and pulp-painting, and dove deep into work with the paper fibers that are grown on the WSW Art Farm. Kasia has assisted a number of paper artists in their own workshops and serves as an instructor with WSW's Art-In-Education program and the Workshop Series at Western NY Book Arts Collaborative.