



Year Program 2018 Wali & Ariëne



January

Dec. 28 – Jan 1

Silvester Celebration (Khankah Samark)

New Year Retreat & Celebration

From Thursday dinner until Jan. 1st, late lunch. Retreat and celebration to look back in gratitude for what 2017 has brought us and to look forward to unfolding of some of our next steps in life in 2018. German or English/German spoken.

January 21 – 31

Goa Retreat (India)

Diving in the Ocean of Mother India

We hope to travel with you and discover something of the outer beauty of Goa, with its beautiful beaches and warm Indian Ocean, and of the inner beauty of the Indian culture and spirituality, sheer by being present and diving into everyday Indian life, and through the program offered, an introduction to 'Indian Gospel', the Bhagavad Gita.

NB: Almost fully booked.

Winter Retreat

March

9 - 10

Due to our retreat in India, we will not have a Winter Retreat this year.

Dance Weekend Bremen (Germany)

Our yearly short Sufi and Dance weekend retreat in Bremen.

The Heart of Compassion.

Sufis want to travel to the heart, Buddhists to the other shore. A workshop to open the heart and offer a raft for reaching the other shore together.

Contact Renate at [E-mail](#) German spoken.

April

12 – 15

The Sufi Path of Love and Understanding (Khankah Samark)

Third weekend of a series of 5.

Only open for participants to the whole series.

26 – 29

Moscow Spring Retreat (Russia)

Theme to be announced.

Contact Marina Kamila Savelyana at [E-mail](#)

English spoken with Russian translation

Mai

12

Dance Day Ireland

Theme to be announced.

Contact Zahira Noor Gill at [E-Mail](#)

18 – 21

Pentecost Retreat (Khankah Samark)

Use us for the Purpose that Thy Wisdom chooses

Like previous years, we dedicate the Pentecost time to a line of a prayer of Hazrat Inayat Khan.

June

7 – 10

The Sufi Path of Love and Understanding (Khankah Samark)

Fourth weekend of a series of 5.

Only open for participants to the whole series

30 – July 7

Ruhaniat Summer School (Proitzer Mühle, Germany)

Annual gathering of the EU Sufi family with EU Sufi teachers. Special guest: Pir Shabda Kahn (USA).

English/German spoken

July

21 – 22

Dance Weekend New Jersey (USA)
Contact Jamila Aziza Ben Nacef at [E-mail](#)

27 – 29

Dance Weekend Fort Wayne (In, USA)
Purifying the Heart
For more information or to register online, please visit www.fwdc.org,
[E-mail](#) or phone (260.424.6574).

August

*Date to be
announced*

Samark Summer Week
Our annual Summer Week is dedicated to Character Building & The Art of Personality. These teachings of Hazrat Inayat Khan connect our inner being with our outer behavior and are excellent tools to work with, also outside this retreat. With DUP, stories and poetry, chanting and practices, Sesshin, a possible visit to EIAB, zikr and ritual. By sharing, we will deepen each of the advices.
English/German spoken

September

6 – 9

The Sufi Path of Love and Understanding (Khankah Samark)
Last weekend of a series of 5.
Only open for participants to the whole series

22 – 23

Dance Weekend Hamburg (Germany)
The Unity of Religious Ideals
We will focus on the Unity behind all apparent diversity and end the weekend with a ritual in dance, honoring the Unity behind all traditions.
Yoga Centrum Hamburg.
Contact [Heinz Scheffler](#) *German spoken*

October

12 – 14

Dance Weekend De Weyst (Netherlands)
Theme to be announced
Dutch spoken

26 – 28

Dance Training North (Bildungsstätte Bredbeck, near Bremen)
We will work from our new manual '*The Art of Dance Leading and Mentoring*'. With *feedback session*.
Contact Hans-Peter Baum [E-mail](#)

November

22 – 25

Samark Sesshin (Khankah Samark)
Zen & Zikr
From Thursday evening dinner until Sunday, late lunch.
In a Sesshin, we alternate dancing with meditating. To further the inner process, part of the weekend will be in silence.

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About us



Wali and Ariënne van der Zwan are senior mentors in the Mentor Teachers Guild and they guide students in mostly Western and Eastern Europe. By co-teaching, they interweave of masculine and feminine energies and combine strength with beauty, depth with lightness, joy with energy, clarity & focus with ease.

Wali and Ariënne follow the Sufi path for their spiritual depth, background and support and are khalif and sheikha in the Ruhaniyat, the Sufi Order of Samuel Lewis and Inayat Khan. They have

two adult children, living in the Netherlands and India.

Khankah Samark

Khankah Samark is situated in the Oberbergisches Land, a rural area East of Cologne, far from the maddening crowd yet in close range to motorway and train. We advise you to book early if you want to participate, as some events tend to sell out quickly and have a waiting list.



Registration

We're happy to say we don't need to raise our prices. Also, we can keep some reduced places, in case money is a problem for you. For all events at Khankah Samark:

Long Weekends (Thu. – Sun.)	€ 90 lodging	€ 260 Honoraria & food	350 total
Reduced price	€ 90 lodging	€ 190 Honoraria & food	280 total
Weeks (Sa. – Fr.)	€ 175 lodging	€ 255 Honoraria & food	430 total
Reduced price (not for single room)	€ 175 lodging	€ 175 Honoraria & food	350 total
Surcharge single room	€ 50 (weekend)	€ 100 (week)	

We don't want money to be the reason for not being able to visit the Khankah. We always try to keep some places with extra reduction for visitors from low currency countries:

Weekends: € 200,=; weeks: € 250,= all in. Write us for more details.

You secure your place with a down payment to W. van der Zwan. Bank Details:

KSK Bank IBAN DE59 3705 0299 0341 5533 26 BIC COKSDE33

Weekends (Thursday Dinner – Sunday lunch) € 50 / € 100 for single room.

Weeklong events (Sa. Dinner – Fr. Breakfast) € 100 / € 150 for single room.

Please see our website for cancellation policy, for updates & for other events.

[E-mail](#) [Website](#)

