



PENDLE HILL

A QUAKER STUDY, RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTER

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WHAT TO EXPECT

The following information is designed to help participants know what to expect in terms of accommodations and support services available throughout this program. Any questions or concerns may be directed to ehiggs@pendlehill.org or kmcquail@pendlehill.org.

Accessibility: Pendle Hill is an accessible campus with accessible housing available. Participants with any concerns about physical accessibility are encouraged to apply and should email the Conference Coordinator to ensure that all individual needs can be met.

Food: Pendle Hill's fabulous cooks serve three nutritionally balanced meals per day. Most foods, including bread and other staples, are homemade, and Pendle Hill makes extensive use of organic fruits and vegetables from our garden and local Community Supported Agriculture initiative. Many of our dinners are vegetarian and include protein sources from grains and beans. Other dinners include free-range meat or poultry, or fish chosen with conservation in mind. All meals include vegan and vegetarian options. If you have specific dietary restrictions, please make sure to include them in your online registration process to ensure they can be met.

Housing: All participants will be housed in dormitory-style rooms, meaning single or double rooms with shared bathrooms accessible via the hallways, or in some cases, private bathrooms. There is accessible housing available upon request. All bathrooms are gender neutral in the dormitories, and all Pendle Hill buildings have gender neutral bathroom options. Any participant who requires a single room is welcome to communicate their needs to the Conference Coordinator and we will accommodate requests as best as we are able.

Childcare: We hope interested participants with children will be able to attend this conference. We will not be providing childcare during the program, and hope that individuals with questions about bringing children will contact the conference coordinator to discuss possible options.

Conference Program Pace: Due to the training-oriented nature of this conference, we generally plan a very full, rich and fast-paced program. Participants are not expected to attend every single program offering, and are encouraged to prioritize self-care throughout the six days. Pendle Hill is a beautiful place, and the workshops tend to be very challenging and rewarding; taking the time and space you need to experience this conference at your own pace is an important part of YAFCON every year.

Diversity: We strive to welcome the most diverse cohort of young adults possible to this conference every summer. Participants, program leaders and elders come from different parts of the world, different branches of Quakerism, different religions, different racial/ethnic backgrounds, socio-economic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, ages, cultures, life experiences and relationships to social justice and activism. This diversity is what gives this conference its richness, and we seek participants who are eager to learn from and grow within this rich tapestry.

Weather: It will most likely be hot and humid during the days, and cool in the evenings. Bring a few layers, and a rain coat/umbrella. Dress for this conference is comfortable and casual!

Alcohol/Drugs: All participants, regardless of age, shall not bring alcohol onto campus nor be inebriated on campus at any time. Those over the age of 21 are asked make reasonable and responsible choices with regard to their consumption of alcohol if not on Pendle Hill's campus during their participation in this conference. This is, in part, in light of the fact that individuals in this community are in various stages of relationship with alcohol and other substances, as well as a way to show respect for people of younger ages present on campus. If participants are found to be providing alcohol, on or off-campus, to underage conference attendees, or are disruptive to the Pendle Hill community or other conference participants in any way, they will be asked to leave the conference and bear any legal consequences. It should go without saying that illegal drugs are not to be brought to or used on Pendle Hill's campus.

International participation: Interested international participants are welcome to apply, but must note the following when considering this conference. Pendle Hill will not be able to provide visa application support (though we will provide invitation letters upon request), or financial support for travel to the US. The conference programming will be in English, and as we will not be providing translation services, applicants must be comfortable understanding and speaking English. The majority of conference content will be focused on North American issues and contexts, and will not attempt to cover a broad range of global questions.