

PAMELA BOYCE SIMMS

Pamela Boyce Simms is a Leadership Coach and Consultant who convenes the Mid-Atlantic Transition Hub (MATH), a six-state network of environmental activists working throughout the Mid-Atlantic coastal megacity corridor. She also coaches clients who span a broad range of fields to cultivate strong relationships which sustain thriving organizations and businesses through clear communication. Pamela is a seasoned social change agent who offers teams and organizations an experiential understanding of how groups can work as regenerative “human ecosystems” when at their best. She is a highly regarded keynote speaker and facilitator of conversations that unleash visionary leadership at work, at home and in the community; prioritizing authentic relationship-building and extraordinary results. She assists environmental initiatives, organizations and businesses with group dynamics, change and stress management, conflict resolution, organizational development, and governance challenges. A bold, direct and graceful communicator, Pamela brings compassion, insight and clarity to her work.

Boyce Simms, a neurolinguistics master-practitioner, challenges clients to hone and focus the infinite power of mind, refine emotional intelligence, and tap into “heart-mind” (*Skr. Bodhicitta*); all proven determinants of deep relationship and superior professional performance. She invites people to listen intently and actively to each other to discern what is emerging in the group field. She adapts her expertise with a suite of facilitation tools, systems development, and change management technologies to the needs of specific groups and organizations.

Pamela is an engaged Eco-Buddhist, a UN ECOSOC Representative of the national Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) organization, and convenes the Earthcare Working Group of New York’s statewide network of Quaker congregations. As such she is proponent of work that transforms anger and despair into compassion toward neighbors, communities and the environment. She seeks to cultivate a felt sense of interconnectedness that can see communities through the climactic, social, and economic challenges ahead. Her intent is to affirm how working with the pain of the world can be a vehicle for self and community transformation.

Boyce Simms holds a BSFS, from Georgetown University's Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service (class of 1987), a *Matrise de Lettres (MA)* de L'Universite de Dakar, Senegal, West Africa, is a Certified NLP Master Practitioner, Karma Kagyu Meditation Instructor, and Transition Trainer for Transition US.

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Summary of Qualifications

- **Twenty-one years, non-profit leadership and management:** organizational, leadership, and board development, public speaking, team-building, strong writing and interpersonal communications skills;
- **Currently convene a six-state Mid-Atlantic environmental activist network** that encompasses New York, Newark, NJ, Philadelphia, Wilmington, Baltimore, and Washington DC; a coastal megacity corridor that is particularly climate change-vulnerable. Facilitate economic relocation as the definition of resilience, the ability to bounce back quickly in an era of recurring climate disruptions.

Professional Highlights

Transition US & Mid-Atlantic Transition Hub (MATH) - Convener, Woodstock and New York, NY

Convene, administer, and serve as spokesperson for the Mid-Atlantic Transition Hub (MATH), a six-state consortium of environmental activist networks. Facilitate the work of a twelve-member Stewardship Circle of environmental advocates and a SpokesCouncil of Egalitarian Resilience Networks. Conduct a suite of environmental and self-awareness training seminars. Assist local Transition initiatives throughout the region with group dynamics, change and stress management, conflict resolution, and governance challenges.

Karma Triyana Dharmachakra Monastery - Development Officer, Environmental Affairs Exec., Woodstock, NY

Development Officer: Established and managed a planned giving program, oversaw membership drives, capital campaigns and annual-fund drives. Cultivated major donors. *Team management:* Supervised Planned Giving and Communications Teams. *Environmental Director:* Designed and organized North American affiliates' "green-solidarity" activities with teaching centers throughout the United States and Canada. Developed and promoted the "Green Monastery" initiative which greened internal operations and coordinated sustainable development of the Monastery land. Networked with the local Woodstock and Mid-Hudson Valley Transition environmental movement.

Women and Youth Leadership Alliance – Executive Director, Montclair, NJ

Executive Coaching, Organizational Development Consultancies; Women & girls Leadership Training Seminars; Producer: Women & Girls Television – *Spotlight on Girls TV*.

The Africa Fund – Project Director, New York, NY

Designed an international project linking women's organizations in the US and Africa. Conducted violence against women symposia exchanges between US and African women legislators from Namibia, Zimbabwe and South Africa.

US Agency for International Development – Consultant: Local Hire, Dakar, Senegal, West Africa

Worked to improve rural girls' access to education.

The Children's Foundation – Project Director, Washington, DC.

Administered a national child advocacy project that worked with the Senate Select Committee on Nutrition to write legislation responsive to public needs and monitor the USDA Child Care Food Program.

Education

- BSFS, International Affairs – Politics of Developing Nations, Georgetown University Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service, Washington, DC, 1987.
- *Matrise de Lettres (MA)* French and African Civilization, L' Universite de Dakar, Senegal, West Africa, 1991.
- **Certifications & Avocations:**
 - Transition Trainer, Transition US Sebastopol, CA.
 - United Nations ECOSOC Representative, New York, NY
 - Executive Coach, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.
 - NLP Master Practitioner, NLP Center of New York, NY, NY.