

# Helicon Works

*Making Home : Ecology*

Architecture Education

## Ecological Building & Living Practices

W O R K S H O P

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### Ecology : The Mysterious Process of Making Home

Learn to create a nurturing and beautiful home  
(or add-onto or renovate your house)  
which provides refuge as it places you in harmony with the land.  
This will be an experiential (playful, reflective) workshop  
exploring ecological practices through a series  
of creative exercises and the design of a house for a site.

#### We will develop ways to:

Give expression to our nurturing images of home  
as found in our dreams, memories, beliefs and ancestry.

Design a home that naturally and simply connects us to the land  
as it becomes the heart of our living.

Rediscover the timeless qualities of vernacular building,  
the roots of Ecological (and passive energy/solar) Design Practices.  
These include thick walls, real materials and solid construction,  
spaces that gather and hold warm sunlight  
and cool breezes and nature's rhythms.

Explore local ecologically-sound building components and  
current technologies available in the evolution of  
Ecological Building Practices.

Engage with the nurturing spaces of our home  
as a way to form more intimate relationships with  
nature and the earth, our loved ones and who we are at heart.

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### My Own Home Built Following These Practices

7108 Holly Ave., Takoma Park

Saturday, April 5th, 2008

9am - 6pm

\$125 (lunch included)

For information or registration, contact Bill @  
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