

# **MEN'S CALLINGS and MEANINGFUL WORK:** *How Dreams Shape, Inspire, and Guide Them*

**Saturday, September 16, 2017 1–5pm**  
**in Berkeley**

*At the Dream Institute of Northern California*

**Fee: \$45–\$75**

*“Feeling far away from what we want tells us one of two things about our work:  
that we are at the beginning or that we have forgotten where we are going.”*

—David Whyte, poet and author, *Crossing the Unknown Sea*

The dreaming mind and body knows our gifts and potentials. Dreams can help us identify obstacles and illuminate new paths to consider and embark upon. Please join us for this exciting and innovative program, open to both men and women, where we will explore and reflect upon dreams about vocation, career, and the soul's calling.

Choosing a vocation and securing a livelihood are very real demands upon men. What if these efforts were supported by an interior center—of dreams, imaginings, and the whispers of the soul? Drawing on his long background as a therapist and facilitator of men's groups, Alan will open this gathering by sharing stories of dreams that have guided men on their vocational path. Those present will be invited to participate in one another's recent, recurring, and significant dreams. Our collective array of dream images may awaken a revitalizing sense of direction, passion, and purpose.

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**Please register in advance by emailing or calling us at the office: 510-845-1767**

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