

## 2021 COVID-19 Safety Guidelines for Fire Speaks - Asheville

### Here is how we are moving together for FIRE SPEAKS ASHEVILLE

Fire Speaks is an outdoor event. We will limit seating according to NC guidelines (which sometimes change). Physical distancing and face coverings when < 6 feet apart remain in effect. On the day of Fire Speaks, our event leaders will walk you through a process to ensure we deepen into the ceremony, enjoy our time together while prioritizing everyone's safety. Meanwhile, here are the basic guidelines:



- Wear your face mask (no scarves or fleece) when you arrive and when you cannot maintain at least six (6) feet distance from other people (with the exception of family or household members). You have the option of removing your mask once seated or > 6 feet.



- We will have hand sanitizer at conveniently located spots along with an outdoor hand washing station.



- Couples or families will have seats together provided you include that information in the registration. Chairs for the fire are provided and will be labeled with your name spaced 6 feet apart from other groups.



- Bring your own picnic dinner and snacks. This will help simplify logistics. You may want to bring a blanket or an extra folding chair to sit on as we won't be moving the chairs set up for the fire that are already set 6 feet apart.



- Tea, coffee and water will be available but please bring your own thermal mug or water bottle or beverage. No alcohol please.



- We are offering onsite camping and lodging - see

<https://www.sacredfireasheville.org/lodging-and-camping-on-the-land-at-fire-speaks-venue/> for details. There are also plenty of AirBnBs in the area as well as public/private campgrounds.



- Arrive early to connect with the forest, rocky cliffs and Ivy river. Immerse yourself in nature - 2 miles of trails are waiting for you. Out of respect and care, please keep physically distanced from others and respect the privacy of guests staying at our vacation rental (Trail time). Trailhead and maps are at the woodshed in the parking area. Hike at your own risk.



- Give and receive love from afar or from a 🔥.



- With the exception of the ritual team, we ask everyone to refrain from using tobacco under the Fire tent. You may smoke tobacco outside the group area.



- An outhouse with hand sanitizer is available.



- If you are feeling ill on the day of the event, please call/text Jane Wollack at (828) 702-6027. If you have COVID-19 symptoms, have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the past 2 weeks or are not well when checking in onsite, you will receive a full refund. Alternatively, you may wish to maintain your registration and apply it towards another Fire Speaks event in 2021/2022. The events are listed: <https://www.sacredfire.org/fire-speaks/>. You may also choose to have your registration converted into a donation to help support Sacred Fire in bringing Grandfather's wisdom to the world.

For more information about our local regulations see -

<https://www.nc.gov/covid-19/staying-ahead-curve>  
<https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/materials-resources/know-your-ws-wear-wait-wash>