

Ecotone Academy Membership Agreement

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THIS IS SACRED

This website is home to the Church of Cymatics, a 508(c)1a unincorporated faith-based organization invoking the separation of Church and State and Right to Free Assembly as laid out in the Constitution of the United States.

The mission of the Church is to facilitate and accelerate personal, collective and planetary healing through holistic Self-awareness and conscious evolution in the spirit of peace, joy and freedom for all beings, human and other-than-human alike.

All programs and services are offered under the umbrella of the Church and its auxiliary Private Membership Association, Ecotone Academy.

As Members, we affirm jurisdiction under Natural law. We abide by the Holy Scriptures, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), the Constitution of the United States of America, the various constitutions of the several states of the union, Law of Nations, God Law, Equity, and the Charter of Rights of Canada, guided by Natural Law of the Creator.

Furthermore, we regard the Constitution of the United States of America and the Declaration of Independence as conscious, living documents devised by humans to protect the inalienable rights granted us by virtue of being natural-born Earthlings. Additionally, we confirm that these documents were created to preserve our freedom and to protect our rights. No legislative body shall make a law prohibiting these rights.

The First Amendment to the Constitution for the United States of America and the above-named documents protect the free exercise of our religion and guarantees our Members the rights of free speech, petition, assembly, and the right to gather together for the lawful purpose of advising and helping one another in asserting our rights under Natural law as preserved by the Federal and State Constitutions. The purpose of this agreement is to maintain and protect all such rights, constitutional guarantees and freedom of choice over our lives and bodies for every Member of our Association.

In addition, we assert our rights to be free from unreasonable search and seizure, the right to not incriminate ourselves, and the right to freely exercise all other unalienable rights as granted by our creator, our almighty Creator and guaranteed by those Constitutions, Charter, and Statutes.

MEMBERSHIP

Academy Membership is open to any person (irrespective of race, gender, creed or religion) who is in accordance with the principles and policies set forth here and in alignment with other Members.

Any financial contributions offered to the Church and its auxiliaries are not considered payment for professional services. Instead, they are regarded as dues paid for Membership in a Private Association.

All courses, classes, consultations and conversations are regarded as an exchange of privileged information between Members of a private Association.

Any Member of the Association who may provide advice regarding health matters does so in the capacity of a fellow Member and not in any licensed capacity, specifically not as a doctor or therapist. Within the Association, no doctor-patient nor any other licensed professional or similar legal relationship exists between the Members.

The mission of this Association is to provide members with a forum to conduct business between members in the private domain with the protections guaranteed within the aforesaid Constitution and Charter remaining fully intact.

PRIVACY

The Church and its agents consider the protection of your personal privacy to be a sacred duty. We are committed to maintaining complete confidentiality. We will never sell or distribute your personal information or likeness without your explicit, written consent.

However, there are legal and ethical exceptions, including (but not limited to) situations where there is a risk of harm to yourself or others. See Safety and care questions.

The Church makes all reasonable efforts to protect your data and protected health information. All session notes, recordings and form submissions are password protected. Your information lives in these services, each protected by its own security and used only to serve you:

Service	What it does for us	What it holds
Cloudflare	Hosts ecotone.academy	Assessment and Threshold Test answers, scores and results
Circle	The Ecosystem community, programs and checkout	Your profile, posts, messages and membership
Stripe	Processes contributions made through Circle	Payment details (we never see your full card number)
Zapier	Moves information between services, such as sending your Threshold results email	Test completion details in transit
Zoom	Calls, booking, recording and transcripts	Session recordings until they are moved to Drive
Claude (Anthropic)	Compiles free readings; helps draft plans and notes	Only what is sent for that task
Google Workspace (Gmail, Drive, Calendar)	Email, client folders and scheduling	Emails, session recordings, transcripts and notes
Dropbox	Stores course and practice audio	Course material; occasionally session audio

However, the Church and its agents are not legally bound by HIPAA laws, and no system is entirely immune to risks, including data breaches, hacking, or other unauthorized access to electronic communications or stored data. When you become a Member of the Association, you agree to the following provisions:

- **No Liability for Data Breach:** the Church and its agents are not liable for any loss, theft, or unauthorized disclosure of personal information due to cyber-attacks, hacking, or other breaches beyond our control.
- **No Liability for Injuries or Damages:** the Church and its agents shall not be held responsible for any direct, indirect, incidental, or consequential losses, injuries, or

damages (including emotional, psychological, financial, or other forms) that may result from such unauthorized access to your information.

- **Personal Responsibility:** You accept personal responsibility for the information you choose to share through any electronic or online means, and you understand the risks involved in using these communication methods. You are not required to share any information you do not feel comfortable sharing.

SESSION RECORDINGS

With your consent, 1:1 sessions with Telfer, including the Threshold call and Direct Guidance sessions, are recorded and transcribed using Zoom's cloud recording. We use the recording and transcript to write your Threshold Plan or session notes accurately, and so you can revisit what was said.

After a session, the recording and transcript are moved to a private folder for you in our Google Drive and removed from Zoom. Direct Guidance members get view-only access to their own session recordings. We do not share your recordings with anyone else, and we never use them in teaching, marketing or other content without your separate written permission.

Recording is your choice. Tell Telfer at booking or at the start of the call if you would rather not be recorded, and he will take written notes instead. You can stop a recording at any point in a session, and you can ask us to delete your recordings at any time.

HOW WE USE AI

Ecotone Academy uses AI as a writing and organizing assistant, never as a replacement for Telfer's judgment or presence.

- **Your free Ecotone Reading** is compiled by Claude, an AI model made by Anthropic, drawing from a library of Telfer's templates as appropriate in response to your assessment answers, and sent to you automatically.
- **Your Threshold map** is produced by fixed scoring rules on our website. No AI reads your test answers to make it.

- **Your written Threshold Plan and session notes.** Telfer may use Claude to organize your test answers and session transcript into a first draft. He reads, edits and approves every plan before it reaches you. Some short session summaries are prepared this way and sent to you automatically after a session.
- **What AI never does here:** diagnose, decide whether you can join or continue, respond to a care flag, or speak to you in Telfer's place in a session.

We use Claude under Anthropic's commercial terms, which do not permit your information to be used to train their models. If you would prefer your plan and notes to be written without AI help, tell us and Telfer will write them by hand.

SAFETY AND CARE QUESTIONS

The Threshold Test asks two care questions: whether you have had thoughts of ending your life or harming yourself, and whether you feel safe at home and in your close relationships. Answering is part of the test, and you can pause it at any time.

If your answer suggests you may be at risk, the test shows support resources right away, including 988 (call or text, Canada and the US) and your local emergency number. Your submission is also flagged, and Telfer receives an email alert so he can read your answers with extra care and may reach out to you by email before your call.

The flag is not monitored around the clock and is not a crisis or emergency service. If you are in danger or need help now, please call 911 or your local emergency number, or call or text 988, without waiting to hear from us.

Care answers are kept with the rest of your test answers and seen only by Telfer. As described under Privacy, confidentiality has limits where there is a serious risk of harm to you or someone else. In that case, Telfer may encourage you to contact emergency services, and may contact them himself where he believes a life is at immediate risk.

PROPRIETARY AND PRIVILEGED INFORMATION

As a Member of the Church of Cymatics and its auxiliary Association(s), you may be privy to proprietary and privileged information. This includes (but is not limited to):

- Personal information about other Members
- Research, perspectives and practices of an esoteric nature
- A wide spectrum of political, economic and social opinions
- Educational video, audio and written material

As a Member of the Church, you agree to keep all such information private within the Church community. Distribution of educational resources or wanton disclosure of sensitive revelations will not be tolerated. Consequences for violation of this policy may include expulsion and appropriate legal remedies.

That being said, the Church of Cymatics strives to create an atmosphere of openness. The Church is welcoming to all sincere seekers. When sharing your experience in the Church with non-members, instead of saying something like "Guess what this person said," you are encouraged to say something like "Someone shared about this issue and it impacted me like so..." Before sharing anything, remember to ask yourself: "Is this my story to tell?"

NO GUARANTEES

While the Church and its agents strive to provide meaningful support and guidance, we make no guarantees regarding the outcome of spiritual counseling services. The effectiveness of these services depends on many factors, including the Member's active participation and commitment.

TERMINATION

Either party may terminate Membership at any time. If you feel that the Church and its services are no longer appropriate or beneficial to you, we will do our best to suggest alternative resources or service providers.

Members agree to abide by the privacy agreement and the policy of non-distribution of proprietary Church materials for 20 years, even after termination of Membership.

GOVERNING LAW

These Terms shall be construed and governed by equitable laws according to the Plum Village Conflict Resolution Guide.

Members agree to take all reasonable steps to resolve any issue directly with the concerned party(ies).

If good-faith efforts fail to resolve an issue, you agree and accept that any lawful action or proceeding shall be adjudicated by Peacemaker Equity (PeacemakerEquity.com), and you expressly waive any objection to this venue.

Additionally, in the event of any dispute or claim relating to or arising out of these Terms of agreement (including, but not limited to, any claims of breach of contract, tort, or infringement), Member/manager agrees that all such disputes/claims will be resolved by means of arbitration or jury decision adjudicated by Peacemaker Equity.

REFUNDS

The Church and its auxiliaries operate according to a no refund policy. You may terminate your Membership at any time, but all financial contributions are final and non-refundable.

Holding up our end. We take our side of this agreement seriously. If something on our side falls short, such as a session we cannot hold or a program that is not available as described, we will make it right by rescheduling, extending your access or offering something of equal value.

Extenuating circumstances. Life does not always go to plan. If illness, a family emergency, financial hardship or another serious circumstance keeps you from using what you contributed for, write to us. We will listen, talk it through with you in good faith and look for a fair arrangement, such as extended access, a pause, or a transfer to another offering or another person. Any such arrangement is made at our discretion, case by case, and does not change the no refund policy.

The Threshold Library. You can cancel anytime, and cancelling stops the next renewal. Months already contributed are not refunded.

These agreements constitute a living document. From time to time, the Church and its agents may see fit to update or augment the terms set forth above. We reserve the right to do so at our discretion. All Members will be provided with notice at the time of any alterations. Changes do not alter a contribution you have already made.

FREE WILL

I enter into this agreement of my own free will, without any pressure or coercion.

I affirm that I do not represent any Local, State or Federal agency, governmental agency, non governmental agency or organization whose purpose is to regulate and approve products or services, or to carry out any mission of enforcement, entrapment or investigation to enforce a legal code, act or statute where no man or woman has been intentionally harmed.

I understand that this will be considered a trespass on privacy and property and I will become immediately personally liable to pay compensation under this agreement, in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 plus \$1000 per minute the trespass continues.

I have read and understood this document, and my questions have been answered fully to my satisfaction. I understand that I can withdraw from this agreement and terminate my membership in this association at any time, and that my membership can and will be revoked if I engage in abusive, violent, menacing, destructive or harassing behavior towards any other member of The Association.

These pages consist of the entire agreement for my membership in The Association.