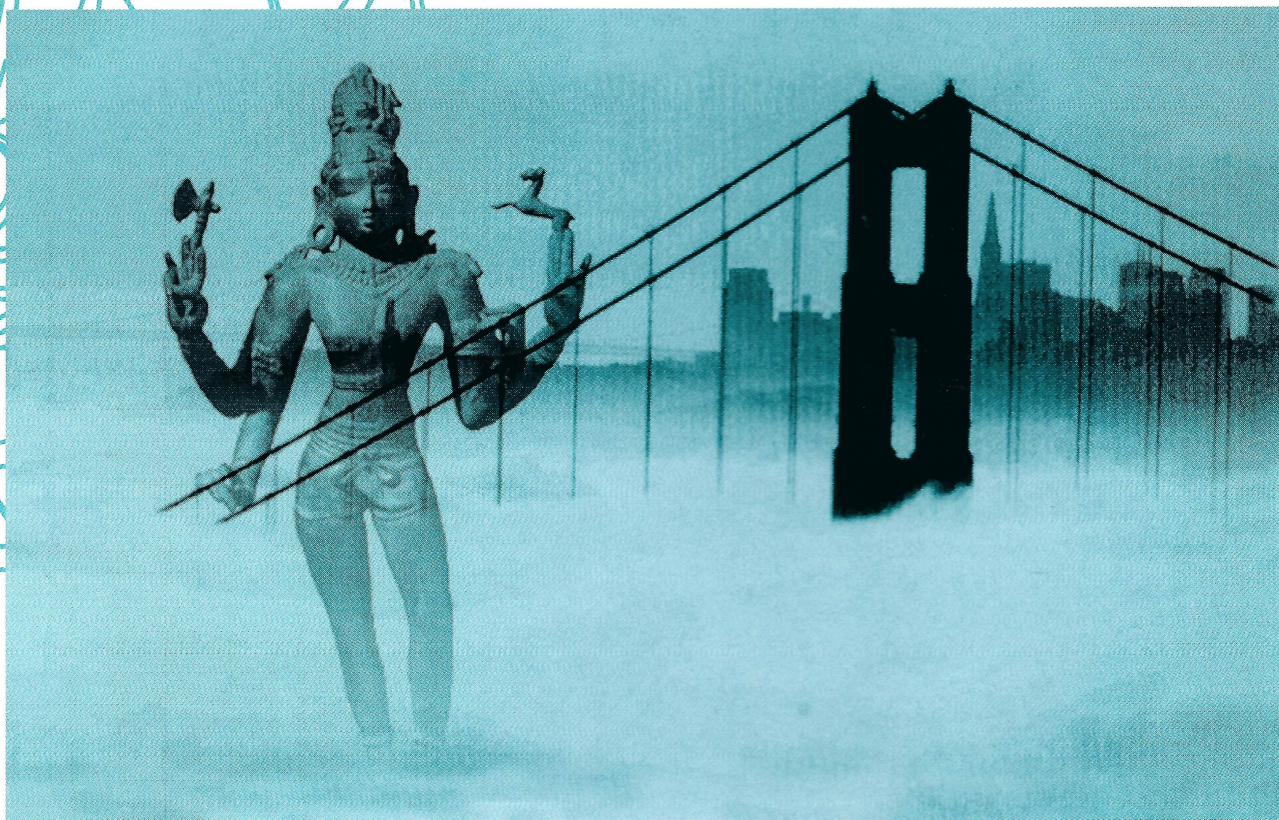


*SPIRIT IN ACTION:  
AWAKENING TO THE SACRED  
IN EVERYDAY LIFE*

14TH INTERNATIONAL  
TRANSPERSONAL CONFERENCE



JUNE 6-11, 1995

SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA, USA



## GREETING AND WELCOME TO PARTICIPANTS IN THE 14TH INTERNATIONAL TRANSPERSONAL CONFERENCE

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On behalf of the Board of Directors of the International Transpersonal Association, I welcome you to our 14th conference, *Spirit in Action: Awakening to the Sacred in Everyday Life*.

This event — our homecoming — was inspired by our desire to celebrate the growing recognition and application of the transpersonal vision, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations, and to collaborate in the opening of the International Transpersonal Center. For, in addition to the ITA, each calls the San Francisco Bay Area home.

We're delighted you accepted our invitation to join us. Together, as we make new friends and reconnect with old, we'll explore and discover the sacred in everyday life. In doing so, we'll bring our global community closer together.

**Patricia Ellerd, President  
International Transpersonal Association**

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to the Village! We — the staff, Board, and volunteers — feel blessed to be part of this special gathering and to have such a unique opportunity to experience spirit in action together. *Spirit in Action* is a recognition of the millions of us everywhere who have been feeling the awakening of the sacred in our everyday lives. That we are coming together in the San Francisco Bay Area, the birth place of the ITA, makes this event even more exciting. It is a time of homecoming and all that this entails — of renewing old friendships, of making new ones, of taking stock, of honoring our past, of celebrating our present, and of forging commitments for our future. We are glad that you have joined us.

As always, we have an outstanding group of presenters from many different disciplines — leaders in their fields who have been pioneers in the realization of the transpersonal vision throughout the world. We have made it one of our aims this year to provide an atmosphere of dynamic synergy — of interactive cooperation and involvement — that goes far beyond the presentation of ideas alone. We hope that we can dissolve some of the traditional boundaries between attendees, presenters, volunteers, and staff by making this conference an actual multi-faceted retreat — an on-going experience of transformation where all participate as fully as they desire.

To help make this interaction a reality, we have provided a space that we call the Transpersonal Village. This will be our own unique reenactment of the blueprint for global community and environment. As you arrive, the framework of the Village will be in place. But each of us individually, and all of us collectively, will create the Village as we move through our time at *Spirit in Action*. We feel that the Village is an experiment in transformation — an embodiment of many of the transpersonal principles we are attempting to live by in our everyday lives.

We invite you to become a part of the Village — to dance and sing, to listen and contemplate, to play and create. In the end, we'll take the Village home with us, as an inspiration and a vision, one that has become a very real part of us and that will help us transform our own communities and environments, and, ultimately, our world. Once again, welcome. Have a wonderful time!

**Tav Sparks and Cary Sparks  
Conference Program Coordinators**

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AWAKENING TO THE SACRED IN EVERYDAY LIFE

Join us as we take the transpersonal  
back to its roots as well as into the  
future, weaving a tapestry of its  
diverse threads into an experience  
of the sacred made practical.

Santa Clara  
Westin Hotel  
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*Summer Festival*

This will be a unique  
opportunity for individ-  
uals to meet with the

world transpersonal  
community as well as

to explore the ways the  
transpersonal

perspective can mani-

fest more fully in their

personal, professional,

and community lives.

Come  
Celebrate  
ITA's  
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