

This is what's happening in Cohousing Now!



Liminal Space

By Trish Becker

A liminal space is the time between what was and what is yet to come. It can be a time of excitement, possibility and freedom. It can also be rife with anxiety, stress and emotion as we are simultaneously confronted with the unknown while grieving what we are leaving behind.

When my family and I decided to join Aria Cohousing, we were still several months from moving into our new home and community. We began the arduous process of packing our home and downsizing our belongings. Though we were enthusiastic about our new chapter, we grieved the loss of all that we had come to love in our first home together.

As all construction projects go, our move-in date was continually pushed back, throwing our lives into a tailspin each time. With a baby on the way, and all of our belongings stuffed into a storage unit, I'll admit to questioning our decision to uproot our lives at this particularly tumultuous time. And yet, what would we have lost if we turned back in the middle of this transition? Our daughter was welcomed into a loving community who wrapped us in love and support in every moment. And the feeling of being a part of a nurturing community was so much sweeter given the long road we'd all shared to get there.

Richard Rohr describes liminal space as "a good space where genuine newness can begin. Get there often and stay as long as you can by whatever means possible...This is the sacred space where the old world is able to fall apart, and a bigger world is revealed. If we don't encounter liminal space in our lives, we start idealizing normalcy."

CohoUS is in transition, as are most of us in this uncertain time in history. As the organization's new Executive Director, I am grateful to the leaders who have come before me – building and sustaining a movement that I am lucky to support. And I am excited about what lies ahead. Next month, communities across the country will open their doors (both physically and virtually) for our <u>Cohousing Open House Weekend</u>. In August, we will gather in-person for our <u>National Cohousing Conference</u> in Madison, WI. Together, we will embrace possibility and allow a new world to reveal itself.

Events

Cohousing Week & Open House Days

April 23 & 24

Save the dates for Cohousing Open House Days, April 23 & 24. Interested communities can register <u>here</u> and receive a packet of resources to support your event. Looking to attend an Open House in your area? Check here for a list of participating communities and follow #2022cohousingopenhouse on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook for more details.



We'll kick off the week with a virtual event on the basics of cohousing on April 16. Details and registration coming soon!



Live and in person!

Main Event Aug 27-28, 2022

Intensives & Tours Aug 25-26, 2022

<u>Registration</u> is now live for the 2022 Cohousing Conference, Communities Coming Together! We will be live and in-person in Madison, WI, August 25-28.

Register by May 31st for the early bird discount of \$100 off registration. Partners also receive an additional \$150 discount so be sure to use your community's partnership code or become an individual partner.

For more information <u>click here</u>.

More to come!

Are you joining us at the Madison conference?

Want to help grow cohousing and make it more accessible?

Please add a gift to your conference registration for our Scholarship Fund.

Your gift will help the burning souls out there forming communities, who need a little help to get there!

We would welcome more diversity at our conference, thanks for helping make that happen!

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Forming Communities and Communities Seeking Members



Cohousing Houston Houston, TX



Heartwood Cohousing Bayfield, CO



Sunnyside Village Marysville, WA



Adams Creek Cohousing Hood River, OR



Heartwood Commons Tulsa, OK



Cohousing ABQ Albuquerque, NM



Juniper Hill Commons Harrisburg, VA



Rachel Carson EcoVillage Gibsonia, PA



Skagit Cohousing Anacortes, WA



River Song Cohousing Eugene, OR



Our Home - Cathedral Park Portland, OR



Washington Commons West Sacramento, CA

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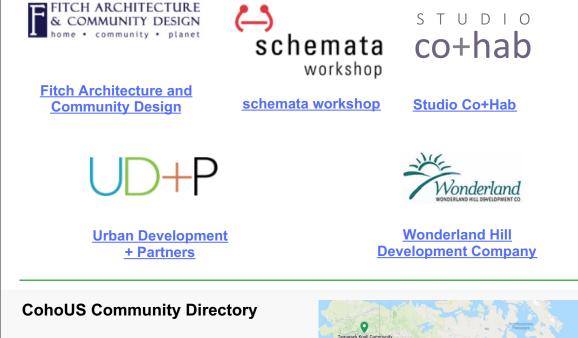






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