

The Leader to Leader Series

"There is absolutely no inevitability as long as there is a willingness to contemplate what is happening"

(Marshall McLuhan)

Leader to Leader Exchanges: September 2022 – Feb 2023

(23rd Sept, 21st Oct, 25th Nov, 16th Dec, 6th Jan, 3rd Feb – from 12pm to 2pm)

This is a unique opportunity to be in a longitudinal learning conversation with Fellow leaders over a period of 6 months – amongst all the ups and downs that this extraordinary period in our history is presenting to us. We began this format as Covid hit us and it has been very



fruitful and beneficial for all who have participated so far – 'a lifeline', a 'refreshing space' in which 'to keep a clear perspective' on things....

It is a forum in which we openly share and honestly examine our own responses as leaders to events and experiences as they unfold over time, allowing us each to benefit from the longer term wisdom that emerges as we track our true trajectory though

events, rather than being swayed by more immediate peaks and troughs. As always in our conversations, as we share something of our own stories, we always enrich and connect with others - and the whole effect is a very powerful gleaning of true perspective in troubled times.

The opening for the conversation is an honest and simple reflection on the question 'what am I facing into and how am I doing?'.....'no, how am I really doing?'... By hearing ourselves answering this question, in the company of fellow leaders with no other agenda than nurturing wisdom, we invariably access profound insights and breakthroughs usually hovering just below the layer of our habitual thinking.

What this taps directly into is the 'emergent' knowing that is so crucial in times of transition – the knowing we didn't know we knew until we found ourselves expressing it. The knowing we often wouldn't trust without the affirming, sifting presence of respected peers on similar journeys. This kind of knowing reveals itself in the subtlety of our experience. We have to be alert and available to it to be able to access it.

This series also helps strengthen your capacity to access this knowing an ongoing basis by strengthening your capacity to reflect and self-observe.

 Each session will run for two hours, beginning with a short whole group session to bring us into the space, highlight the core themes that have been emerging and to stimulate thinking/enquiry on what is present to each of us. After this we will work in small groups to get into depth around our own questions. Key insights will then be captured and consolidated at the end to inform the ongoing enquiry in on what it means to be 'leading in these times'.