Sacred Gardens
Traditional Agriculture Practices Survey

Emigdio Ballon (Quechua/Bolivia), and Lorraine Kahneratokwas Gray (Mohawk) are currently in the research phase of a book featuring traditional agricultural, sacred planting methods, and celebration practices of cultures across the globe. We invite you to share your stories and traditions around food and agriculture.

Mission Statement: We are a diverse group of people dedicated in preserving and sharing our cultures and restoring a healthy way of life through a collective effort of farmers, educators, healers, youth, elders, and spiritual leaders.

NAME: ___________________________ COMMUNITY/INDIGENOUS AFFILIATION _____________________

AGE: ___________________ SEX: ___________________

E-mail: ________________________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: ________________________________________________________________________________

1. Are you an active farmer, or do you grow some traditional crops/medicines in your community? If yes, what types?

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1. Are there any specific traditions (ceremonies, holidays, celebrations) that revolve around your food and/or herbal medicines?

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2. Do you have a specific traditional method for growing your food such as the shape of the garden, prayers said during plant/harvesting, songs sung? What are they?

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3. Do have teachings from your elders regarding planting? Would you share them with us?

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4. Do you collect and use wild foods within your culture? If so, which ones?

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5. Do you think cultural food traditions are still important to your culture?

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6. Do you have a story passed down from your elders regarding planting that you would like to share?

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