

**COMMUNITY
GUIDELINES**

2023

**Brooklyn
Psychedelic
Society**

[BPS.COMMUNITY](https://www.bps.community)

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to make psychedelic healing a publicly accessible good through community, education, democratic ownership, and advocacy.

We are a non-profit sponsored by:



OUR TEAM



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WOMEN
47%
MEN

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AGES 35-44



SOCIAL
MEDIA

7.7K+



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LIST

7K

OUR COMMUNITY

Our community is a diverse psychedelic melting pot of experienced to novice psychonauts, to therapists, scientists, authors, journalists, comedians, entrepreneurs and more.

COMMUNITY GUIDELINES

These guidelines outline our expectations for community engagement at all Brooklyn Psychedelic Society events and digital forums.

01) ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR COMMUNITY VALUES

Please read below to overview our organizational values of community, flourishing, spiritual and philosophical pluralism, intentionality, accessibility, and democracy. These are the foundation of our community culture and approach to psychedelic healing.

02) ALWAYS BE RESPECTFUL

We will not tolerate any hate, prejudice, or discrimination within our community. Anybody who exhibits disrespectful behavior will be asked to leave. If you are experience or witness disrespectful behavior, please let our team know by talking to a staff member at the event or reaching out through email.

03) STAY GROUNDED AND INTENTIONAL

We encourage everybody to be serious about their intentions with psychedelics. We value sober growth and integration as practices that enhance psychedelic journeying as part of a holistically healthy lifestyle. We also value focusing on the experience itself rather than a model or narrative composed around it. This is not a space to discuss psychedelics as tools to escape or detach from reality; we instead hold the intention to connect to reality in a full, authentic, and healthy way.

04) LISTEN ACTIVELY, OPENLY, AND COMPASSIONATELY

We value all that we can learn when we listen to those around us. We believe that by honoring perspectives different from our own, we expand our own worldviews and develop empathy, humility, and community. Be mindful of your presence in a conversation and always leave room for others to share.

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05) RESPECT SPIRITUAL BOUNDARIES

Spiritual boundaries protect an individual's right to believe, worship, and interpret spiritual ideas as they wish. We encourage everybody in our community to exercise their own agency in directing their path toward healing and growth. Respect the right of others to hold beliefs different from your own, and do not impose your belief system upon others.

06) LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER'S WELL BEING

Encourage others to practice safe, constructive, and intentional ways of engaging with psychedelics. If you are concerned for anybody's physical, psychological, or spiritual well-being, be compassionate and honest and reach out to the BPS team if extra support is needed.

OUR VALUES

COMMUNITY

The community serves as a container to provide and access support when processing transformative experiences, and to build meaningful, authentic connections that help us to stay grounded and accountable in our journeys.

FLOURISHING

We strive to enable individual growth towards holistic, psycho-spiritual well-being through an ongoing process of healing and growth. In addition to alleviating psychological ailments, transformational experiences can aid in each unique journey toward personal excellence.

PLURALISM

We believe that the value of psychedelic experiences is enhanced by spiritual exploration, and we honor the individual autonomy of each person in directing their own journey toward growth and transformation. We celebrate the diversity of perspectives that make up our community, and we strive to listen to and learn from one another in a way that respects spiritual boundaries and honors each unique point of view.

INTENTIONALITY

Psychedelics are powerful tools that can aid in both individual and collective journeys toward healing, growth, and transformation. To ensure safe and constructive outcomes, we strive to build a culture where psychedelics are used with awareness, respect, and moderation.

ACCESSIBILITY

We believe that the healing and growth mediated by the psychedelic experience should be accessible to everybody regardless of their identity or socioeconomic status. We prioritize minimizing financial barriers, empowering individuals within the community, and building spaces that are diverse, inclusive, and welcoming.

DEMOCRACY

We strive to organize for the community, by the community. Democratic governance enables the staff and community members to make decisions about the goods and services being offered through the organization. This empowers individuals and builds a regenerative culture rooted in cooperation and community.

OUR EVENTS

Cannabis Journey Cohort Program | 3-week group-based transformative program working with a legal plant medicine

Trip Tales | weekly proverbial campfire for stories about traveling to other dimensions

Book Club | monthly book club for psychedelic readership

Shamanic Breathwork | altered consciousness through breathwork

Cacao Ceremony | heart-centered single-session cacao ceremony

Integration Circle | online psychedelic integration practice

Community Dinner | quarterly buffet dinner for our members including music, comedy, and unique activations

State of Unity Dinner | annual community gathering recognizing our community's progress and setting direction for the year ahead



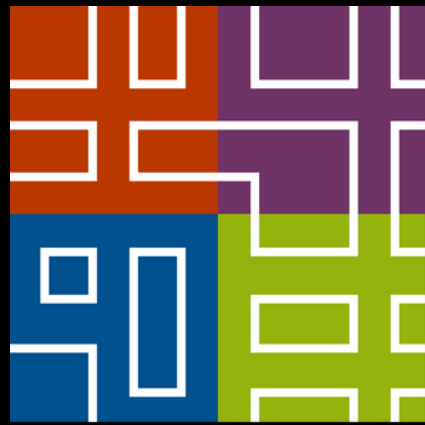
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