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**ALCHEMY IN THE KITCHEN**  
with Lorraine Neithardt, Cultural Alchemist  
A Four-Part Performance/Lecture Series

*Opus 22: Envy* Opens The Kitchen Series  
Wednesday, December 4 at 8pm

As we approach the end of the millennium, artists, philosophers and poets search for new forms of knowledge to spark creativity. **LORRAINE NEITHARDT**, a Jungian inspired cultural visionary, mystic and prophetic dreamer, presents her thoughts on the development of a creative renaissance. **ALCHEMY IN THE KITCHEN** is a four-part performance/lecture series dealing with the paradoxes of contemporary society and the tensions which distort, transform and shape our lives.

Alchemy is a psychic reality, a process which transforms distorted unconscious images into conscious gold. One such prime distortion is the problem of envy. In the series opener *Opus 22: Envy*, on December 4, **Lorraine Neithardt** will discuss how envy destroys creativity and how it acts as a subtle, but powerful element in our daily lives. This ancient foe in modern times is a predominant destructive psychic reality but it is denied and repressed because it is too difficult to face within ourselves or others. In fact, it cannot be faced, only reflected. Internally and externally, envy influences relationships between people, art and oneself. How do we understand, accept and transform this ancient dilemma to work for creativity? At this event, the workings of this ancient enemy will be revealed as a possible path to redemption.

**Money: The Split Within**  
January 22, 8pm

What is the value of money? What does it signify? Intellectually, each of us carries a split image of money, this unconscious split manifesting wealth or poverty. Neithardt traces the original female principal behind money in a discussion of the all mighty dollar.

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*Womanchrist*

March 26, 8pm

A profound reordering of the feminine persona, defining a new archetype for the 21st century. A not so subtle approach to the concept of awakening spiritual change.

*The Dreaming Myth*

May 7, 8pm

Dream-poetry based on an archetypal myth of birth, growth and a psychic return from betrayal. A well-spring of emotion and the identification of a universal dream give voice to Neithardt's performance.

Alchemy in The Kitchen will be presented as part of The Kitchen's 25th Anniversary season beginning Wednesday, December 4 at 8pm. The Kitchen is located at 512 West 19th Street (between 10th and 11th Avenues) in the West Chelsea district of Manhattan. Tickets are \$12. Information and reservations can be obtained by calling 212 255 5793.