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| Ziraat, By Wali Via  “There is one Holy Manuscript, the Sacred Manuscript of Nature,  the only scripture that can enlighten the reader”  From the 10 Sufi Thoughts of Inayat Khan |
| Ziraat is a Sufi activity that is founded on the teachings of Hazrat Pir-o-Murshid Inayat Khan. In Ziraat we recognize that all of manifestation is the embodiment of the Divine. By developing an attunement with Life’s multitude of expression, we discover truths about our own nature, which bolsters our spiritual development. As we witness the distress of Mother Earth, it is more critical than ever that human beings foster a sacred relationship her. Ziraat is one way of doing this.  In Ziraat’s original Lodge format, Inayat Khan emphasized the honoring of the elements Earth, Water, Fire, Air, and Ether and he used farming as metaphor for the unfoldment of human beings into a greater awareness of their Divine Nature. In the Ziraat Lodges that I offer, we hold true to both of these, while loosening the formalness of the original Ziraat Lodge format. In addition to presented teachings and practices, attendees have the opportunity to share and discuss so that our collective wisdom can support one another.  Lodges are held 6 times a year on Sunday’s at 10:00 AM. Weather permitting we gather in Selu’s Sacred Garden on the land that Isa Jennings stewards. When weather is inclement, we meet in her home. Isa’s land is located about 20 minutes west of Eugene in Elmira. Carpooling from Eugene can often be arranged. Following the Ziraat Lodge there is an optional potluck and then a Healing Ritual led by Isa. The Lodges, potlucks, and Healing Rituals are open to all.  Our next Lodge will be Sunday March 8th.  For more information you can contact me.  Wali Via  [walivia@wintergreenfarm.com](mailto:walivia@wintergreenfarm.com)  541-359-8588 |