

**If you are interested in hosting a firewalk please read this document first.**

If you have any questions afterward, or are definitely interested, please send me an email at [shamsi@shamsidances.com](mailto:shamsi@shamsidances.com) and I will respond within 24hours.

**As of March 28, 2016, fees for Firewalks include the following:**

- \$100.00 per person for groups up to 10 people.
- \$85.00 per person for groups between 11 and 25 people.
- Please inquire about rates for groups larger than 25 participants.
- My travel expenses (food, lodging <couches and spare bedrooms are always acceptable to me>, transportation) to and from your location.

**Length of ceremony:**

The length of the complete firewalking ceremony, including the arrow, rebar, glasswalk, and fire-staff challenges is dependent upon the number of participants and can range anywhere from 3 to 8 hours. We will discuss this at length during the initial planning of your event, please keep this in consideration.

**Legal Issues and Age Requirements:**

Waivers will need to be signed by each participant before we begin, and anyone under 18 will need to be accompanied by a legal guardian who has authority to sign a waiver for the under-aged participant. **Children 8 and older** are welcome to participate with presence of their legal guardian with the understanding that the under-age participant is mature enough to follow instruction, pay strict attention to all of the information being provided, and not be a distraction to the rest of the group.

**As the host, I may ask the following of you and/or your group:**

- Event set-up prior to my arrival
  - Securing a safe, legal location for the Firewalk.
  - Securing any necessary permits for fires. (This can be a requirement in some locations, especially if within city limits.)
  - Physical Preparation of the actual firewalking space, which could include mowing grass, making sure the location is free of any potential hazards – natural or man-made, making sure the location has level ground, making sure that the location is large enough to hold the desired number of participants.

- Ensuring that there is an adequate, near-by source of water (ie – water hose that will reach the firewalking area/buckets or barrel
- Access to a fire extinguisher depending upon the location and any applicable, local fire laws.
- If there is any cause for believing there might be rain, a tarp(s) or similar shelter may be required.
- Adequate drinking water for everyone.
- Lunch or Supper for the participants depending upon the time of day, and length of the ceremonies. This level of energy-work can be very draining, and community meals are encouraged, but not necessarily required.
- At least 1 each: *\*sturdy\** metal rake and flat shovel for the final raking out and creating the coal bed. Although more ‘implements of destruction’ (per Arlo Guthrie’s definition) should be acquired if possible, as many hands make light work. (If I am able to drive to your site, I will provide at least one set of all of these.)
- *\*Creation of a fire-staff and/or glass walk depending upon whether travel will permit me to bring my own. If I have to ask you to make either of these things, I will provide exquisitely clear instructions and reimburse your costs for these items.*
- **IMPORTANT to note - *Raking out and preparing the coal bed will be required of anyone wishing to participate in the actual firewalk. The length of time spent in the process is not as important as the act of doing any of it, which means if someone in your group has physical issues that might prohibit rigorous, physical activity, we can still work with them so that their participation is as powerful as anyone else’s and shouldn’t negate their being able to experience the firewalk.***

**The basic materials covered in the “per person” rate and required for the ceremony are as follows and I will either provide everything or coordinate the purchasing and acquisition of all to be delivered to your desired location:**

- 1 cord of wood (creates a walk approximately 15-20ft in length by 3-4ft wide), cedar is preferred if at all possible, but hardwoods, including oak, maple, cherry etcetera are acceptable substitutes.
- Newspaper and oil, or similar for building the fire.
- Wooden arrows rated @ 25 lb (at least one for each person.)
- 8 ft lengths of rebar 3/8" round (at least 1 per every 2 people.)
- *\*See above, but I will provide the glass walk and the fire staff as long as travel situations permit me to do so.*
- Event insurance covering basic liability for both you and myself.
- Certificates of Completion for each participant.