**PAMELA BOYCE SIMMS**

**Pamela Boyce Simms** is an evolutionary culture designer who convenes the Mid-Atlantic Transition Hub (MATH), ─a six-state network of environmental activists. She is a veteran of local, regional, and national resilience-building with the Transition environmental movement, and currently works with international Quaker, Buddhist, and African Diaspora Earthcare networks. Pamela builds social transformation movements from the inside out, and from hyper-local to supranational levels.

Pamela Boyce Simms is a proponent of perpetual internal self-transformation as the engine of authentic social change. She seeks to cultivate a felt sense of interconnectedness that can see communities through the climactic, social, and economic challenges ahead. Pamela adapts her expertise with cognitive restructuring, stress and change management, and a suite of facilitation tools to the evolving needs of activists, organizations, and networks.

Her current focus on food sovereignty and water access extends from village grassroots work with local partners throughout the African Diaspora, to convening a Quaker-led Earthcare Coalition of environmental organizations at the United Nations. She helps teams, leaders, and organizations identify and map out leverage points where we they can make tactical interventions, create Afro-centric food production solutions, and operationalize strategies for shifting critical discourse.

Boyce Simms holds degrees from Georgetown University's Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service, the L'Université de Dakar, in Sénégal, West Africa, and is certified as a Leadership Coach and Neurolinguistics Master Practitioner. She is also a Contributing Editor at the Grassroots Economic Organizing (GEO) Editorial Collective and Resilience.org. A Buddhist-Quaker, Pamela is a Henry J. Cadbury Fellow at Pendle Hill Quaker Study Center and is also a Buddhist Meditation Instructor.

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**Summary of Qualifications**

* **Twenty-one years, movement-building and non-profit leadership:** organizational, leadership, and Executive Coaching, public speaking, team-building, strong writing and interpersonal communications skills**;**
* **Present:**
	+ Convenes a six-state Mid-Atlantic regional network of environmental activists**.** Facilitate economic relocalization and environmental resilience-building.
	+ Convenes Quaker, Buddhist, and African Diaspora Earthcare, networks, working on the relocalization of food production and water access from the hyper-local village scale to the supranational level at the United Nations.

**Professional Highlights**

**Henry J. Cadbury Fellow, Pendle Hill, Wallingford, PA**: Evolutionary culture-building and applied systems thinking in Quaker national social justice organizations and movements.

**Grassroots Economic Organizing Editorial Collective (GEO),** **Contributing Editor and Writer, New York, NY**

**Resilience.org Online News Portal, Contributing Writer, Santa Rosa, CA**

**Mid-Atlantic Transition Hub (MATH) - Convener, Woodstock and New York, NY**

Convene the Mid-Atlantic Transition Hub (MATH), a six-state consortium of environmental activist networks. Facilitate the work of a twelve-member Stewardship Circle of environmental advocates and a Spokescouncil of Egalitarian Resilience Networks. Conduct a suite of environmental and self-awareness training seminars. Assist environmental initiatives throughout the region with group dynamics, change and stress management, conflict resolution, and governance challenges.

**Karma Triyana Dharmachakra Monastery** **- Development Officer, Environmental Affairs Exec., Woodstock, NY** *Development Officer***:** Established a planned giving program, oversaw membership drives, capital campaigns and annual-fund drives. Cultivated major donors. *Environmental Director***:** Led North American affiliates’ “green-solidarity” activities with teaching centers in the United States and Canada. Developed and promoted the “Green Monastery” initiative which greened internal operations and coordinated sustainable development of the Monastery land.

**Women and Youth Leadership Alliance – Executive Director, Montclair, NJ**

Executive Coaching, Organizational Development Consultancies; Women & girls Leadership Training Seminars; Producer: Women & Girls Television – *Spotlight on Girls* TV.

**The Africa Fund – Project Director, New York, NY**

Designed an international project linking women’s organizations in the US and Africa. Conducted violence against women symposia exchanges between US and African women legislators from Namibia, Zimbabwe and South Africa.

**US Agency for International Development – Consultant: Local Hire, Dakar, Senegal, West Africa**

Worked to improve rural girls’ access to education.

**The Children’s Foundation – Project Director, Washington, DC.**

Administered a national child advocacy project that worked with the Senate Select Committee on Nutrition to write legislation responsive to public needs and monitor the USDA Child Care Food Program.

**Education**

* BSFS, International Affairs – Politics of Developing Nations, Georgetown University Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service, Washington, DC.
* Matrise de Lettres (MA) French and African Civilization, L'Université de Dakar, Sénégal, West Africa.

**Certifications & Avocations:**

* + Transition Trainer, Transition US Sebastopol, CA.
	+ Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) Representative to United Nations ECOSOC, New York, NY
	+ Executive Coach, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.
	+ Neurolinguistics Master Practitioner, NLP Center of New York, NY, NY.
	+ Certified Meditation Instructor, Karna Triyana Dharmachakra Monastery, Woodstock, NY.