## **Diamante Bridge Collective**

Proposal Champion: Jeffree PantingWolf

Proposal Status: Draft Governing Circle:

**Advice Process Location:** [Link to Meeting Notes or forum post]

# HandyHuman Role aka; Abues Angel

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#### **Driver:**

There are many renovation and building needs within our community: upgrades to the Togethering Space, repairs to the Abues/Ohana stairs, tables and shelves for food processing and proper storage. There are also many areas that could be upgraded by planting more food, herbs and greens to be made available to the community.

### **Proposal:**

It is being proposed that we create a "HandyHuman" role. This role would be focused on stewarding the Abues property and living/play spaces we inhabit around the Abues shared zone. Including the lower orchard and established permaculture and grey water systems. This person would be available to do small building, repair and enhancement projects for community members. It is proposed that this role come with a stipend of \$300 as well as the covering of rent as a steward to the Casita, and permission from the community for our HandyHuman to begin repairs on the Casita, Togethering Place and surrounding area.

#### Milestones:

- Fixing the "Stairway of Death" leading down to the clearing and Casita
- Creating a permaculture garden outside of the Casita
- Creating a permaculture garden within the Togethering Space
- Addressing the unstable smokers lounge and small trail at ttp.

- Installing shelves for storage
- Installing coverings to protect both the Casita and Togethering Space during rainy season
- Mitigate erosion under the Casita, the Togethering Space and surrounding grounds
- Beautify and Improve Interiors and exterior spaces
- Create an amazing community Oasis for all to enjoy!

As we clean and enhance the Abues community area, we will need someone who is empowered to see problems and employ solutions. The budget and permissions provided to our HandyHuman enables this person to continue to upgrade these beautiful spaces efficiently.

It is also proposed that the HandyHuman be given access to an amount of supplies and tools necessary for tackling these important projects. Recommendations on how to access scrap (free) material is very welcome!

## Why is this so important?

These community spaces are often visitors' first experience of our beautiful community. Let's ensure these first experiences are to the highest by cultivating beautiful, creative spaces for gathering, meetings, meditation, art and more. As we build more in the community, it is important to honor and care for the spaces we have already lovingly used for as long as we have.

## Proposed HandyHuman Role Specifications - \$300/monthly stipend + rent costs

- Responsible for identifying necessary projects within the community and seeing them through to completion
- Responsible for assembling small teams to support
- Responsible for sourcing of free materials whenever possible
- Responsible for facilitating all conversations between Rebecca, Don Marcos, and any other relevant parties {Arturo etc.}

## **Role Specifications:**

- 10-15 hrs. a week committed to this project.
- Use of personal tools (this is Jefrees personal offering).
- Establish a tool and materials list and be responsible for its procurement
- Adhere to "land steward" goals and values
- Be able to explain community standards and practices

- Humbley bridge gap between community and our Costa Rican Neighbors
- Aim to be an outreach and welcome steward for incoming visitors
- Plan and execute small permaculture and creative projects

#### Personal note.

Jeffree is attempting to create a role that highlights his skill set while being in service to all of our shared communities and the Earth. Having one role to be responsible for, would act as an anchor so that Jeffree could then define his role as a member of the other teams that can utilize his skills. This proposed role is designed to be scalable and easily transferable to future stewards.

Jeffree imagines Abues' back area to be a showpiece site for experimentation, demonstration and training for regenerative stewardship—a fantastic vision of a healthy, beautiful and vibrant community hub where all peoples needs and customs are honored and celebrated. Infinite possibilities are the goal.

### Why Jeffrey

Jeffrey has opened the Casita to free the food events, rios limpios events, bloom network work groups and the Casita has luckily been offered as the new togethering space while the togethering space is closed.

Jeffrey has been working already with the recycling project every week. He is the first full fledged lead trainee for Rios Limpios. He is working also with, Free the food, Dluz, and Abues. Including the restaurant take over project.

Jeffrey has lead or worked on projects with Abundant Eden, Permanent Vida, Holos. HOME farm, Dluz Richies land, and others.

Jeffrey has established trusting relationships with many local and gringo builders, contractors and distributors.

As an artist, Jeffrey is working on art design for Rios Limpios and Shuka Shack (domi.) HE is brimming with creative projects with local artists and land stewards, builders and community art projects.

#### As a person.

Jeffrey has been in the group for six months. He has been a friend, a solid Elder, a compassionate being open to everyone in the community. He feels he has a reputation of trust, capability and capacity for influence. This role is a vision that drives him that feels right.

Jeffrey has been using his vehicle which is now illegal for use in every one of the projects he has participated in and future projects in the triad community.