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The mystical foundations of all the world's spiritual paths meet in a single, sacred place: the heart of the seeker. We have reached a time when scientific understanding mirrors the teachings of the great wisdom traditions in revealing our energetic heart as the light of consciousness, the fire of love, a field of intelligence. *Tending the Heart Fire*, the first book by pioneering yogini Shiva Rea, is an invitation to embody our extraordinary potential at this turning point in time, to reconnect your life to the rhythms of your body and the natural world—to live in flow with the pulse of life.

Weaving together wisdom from the great world traditions—including yoga, Ayurveda, Tantra, and modern science—Shiva presents an essential resource for becoming a firekeeper of the sacred heart. This diverse treasury is filled with meditations, life guidance, seasonal rituals, and daily practices, including:

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- Aligning with the seasons—how to adapt your diet, exercise, and yoga rhythms throughout the annual cycle Ways to honor the great sacred holidays, rites, and festivals
- Awakening of *sahaja*—the natural flow at the origins and source of yoga asana and sacred embodiment at the heart of yoga and Tantra
- Skills for tending your inner fire in every aspect of life and healing imbalances that can support a renewable energy lifestyle
- A visual teaching with over a hundred full-color images, including reference charts, diagrams, illustrations, and ancient poetry for inspiration

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the heart often happens when we are at a crisis point, when the armor of our heart has to crack," writes Shiva Rea. "Let us return to the power and magnificence of our hearts—as living fire, as intelligent energy and electromagnetic radiance, and as our illuminating guide toward love, creativity, and deep knowing of our true sacred nature."

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#### Review

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—*The New York Times*

"One of the world's greatest yoga masters."

—*Vanify Fair*

"A path into the heart that burns with wisdom and melts with love. *Tending the Heart Fire* is a book to cherish, to keep by your bedside or meditation mat, and to inspire your contemplation and practice for years to come.

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—**Deborah Rozman**, president and CEO of HeartMath LLC

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Shiva Rea teaches vinyasa flow yoga worldwide. She has studied many forms of yoga and dance in India, Africa, Nepal, Jamaica, and Bali. She is a well-known contributor to *Yoga Journal* and holds an MA in Dance from UCLA's World Arts and Cultures Program, where she also teaches.

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