

# FAIRIES

## True Life Stories...

AND AS THE SEASONS COME AND GO,  
HERE'S SOMETHING YOU MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW.

THERE ARE FAIRIES EVERYWHERE:  
UNDER BUSHES, IN THE AIR,  
PLAYING GAMES JUST LIKE YOU PLAY,  
SINGING THROUGH THEIR BUSY DAY.  
SO LISTEN, TOUCH, AND LOOK AROUND—  
IN THE AIR AND ON THE GROUND.  
AND IF YOU WATCH ALL NATURE'S THINGS,  
YOU MIGHT JUST SEE A FAIRY'S WINGS.

~ Unknown

I wiled away many happy hours in childhood by poring over the beautiful illustrations of fairies in my royal-blue-bound *Book House for Children* volumes, edited and compiled by Olive Beaupre Miller, published in the 1920s. As I grew older, I was fortunate to meet two women who related their accounts to me of seeing fairies first-hand, and one woman whose uncle saw the elves in Sweden as a child.

One of these ladies told me that, as a child, she saw tiny fairies in bubbles as she lay on the grass. The fairies gaily moved their tiny spheres from one part of the lawn to the other. In her childlike enthusiasm, she related her story to her grandfather, who, unfortunately, picked up a switch, spanked her hard and told her fairies were a part of the devil's work. Sadly, she related that she lost her ability to see them after that. However, she continued to study aspects of the elemental kingdom (and their four main inhabitants: the earth gnomes, a.k.a. elves, the air sylphs,



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a.k.a. fairies, the undines of the water, and the fiery salamanders) and incorporated that knowledge into her spiritual practices.

I was introduced to Swami Radha, a holocaust survivor and the female spiritual leader of an ashram in British Columbia, at a meditation group. She was my good friend's spiritual mentor. She talked about seeing the fairies as a child, playing beneath the cabbage leaves in her parents' garden in Germany.

I also met Elaine in the early 1970s. She shared two dramatic stories that were a part of her Swedish family tradition. Her uncle Ole was given a chore by his father to watch a smoldering peat field that was in close proximity to their farm buildings. This was a serious job for a little boy, since if the wind shifted, the peat field could start to burn ferociously and spread towards the barn. Since it was a hot summer day, Ole fell asleep, and was startled awake by a little elf pushing on his arm and shouting, "Ole! Ole! Wake up! Wake up! The peat field's burning!" Luckily, the elf saved the day as Ole ran for help.

One day, Ole was walking toward the corner of the barn, and he heard tiny voices muttering and chanting. When he turned the corner, he saw a group of elves holding hands and dancing in a circle. The minute he saw them, they were as startled as he was, and with shocked faces, disappeared. He related to his family that he thought the elves were working on creating a fairie ring of flowers.

In my 40s, I met an unusual man affectionately known by many as "Uncle Kenneth." He was quite the storyteller, and loved to share his adventurous tales of experiences that he had with his invisible companions, two elemental beings named Eric and Erica. As a child living on an estate in Europe, Kenneth would push his toy sailboat across a large





This is a photo of local artist Rachella Devine's fairy garden. She painted exquisite fairies and said that they often posed for her. Rachella honored her sweet friends by building them an enchanting garden. Twinkling white lights adorned the entrance and inside this woodland oasis, tree stumps serve as stools. A little fairy altar added a dash of magic to the scene.

Notice the streaming lights and the orbs at the top of this photo. These orbs are said to be the physical evidence of fairies or nature spirits. These light beings often appear where there is paranormal activity such as sacred sites and are showing up more and more in people's photos, especially where there is an atmosphere of joy, love, and bliss. I am sure they felt most welcome in Rachella's garden.

to leave for a car trip to attend a conference. Eric warned Kenneth that all of us had to be packed and on the road by 6:30 pm to avoid an imminent snowstorm. However, due to one individual's dawdling, we didn't set out until 1:30 am. What a disaster! We ran into a horrific blizzard, with several semi trucks in the ditch. Luckily, at 3:30 am, we had made it west about 100 miles and we found a motel. We had to walk in from the car in knee-deep snow! Needless to say, we should have listened to the "elf weather station"!

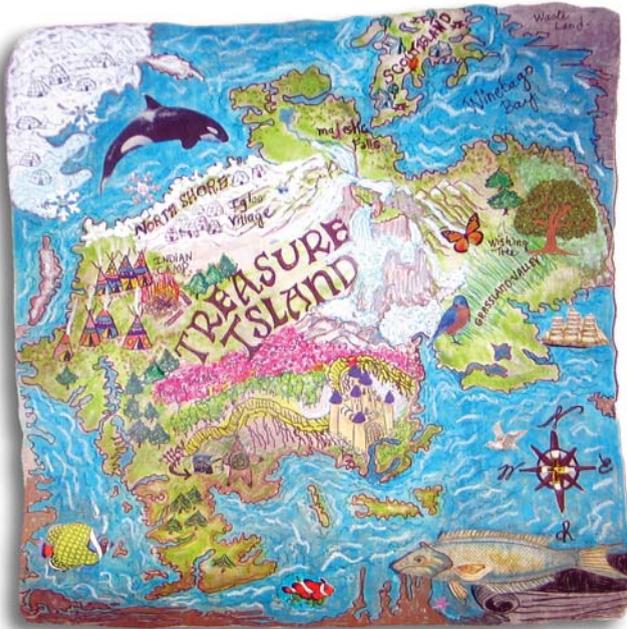
I once met a woman named April who went to Ireland with a group of women to study with Amanda Murphy, a shamanic healer. The participants were driven to Torc Waterfall in County Kerry with the instructions to sit on some large stones in front of the waterfall with the hopes of seeing fairies playing there. She plopped herself on a rock and said to herself, "Oh, great! Now I'm in Ireland, and with my luck, I



pond, and then, when the boat arrived at the opposite shore, Eric and Erica would blow it back to Kenneth. This activity could go on for hours.

Unfortunately, he made the mistake of telling his grandfather about his invisible playmates, and just as what happened with my other friend, Kenny was spanked and told never to talk about this to anyone because it wasn't true and he was lying. Similarly, he lost his ability to see the elemental spirits until he met his spiritual teacher, Mark L. Prophet, who helped him restore his inner sight. That happened on a bus trip to the Holy Land, where Mark put his hand on Kenneth's knee, and he suddenly started to see a large mountain gnome, starting from the feet up, until he viewed the entire form, including the face.

I was able to feel the presence of Eric on various occasions. I have never, to this day, felt such an exhilaration of positive, joyful energy as he zipped through my kitchen about 5:30 pm one spring evening. Two of my friends, myself, and Kenneth were supposed



won't see anything!" But suddenly, she saw a sparkling, shimmering, movement and a light shot out of the falls and traveled directly near the right side of her face. Out of the corner of her eye, she saw a tiny little water sprite. Then it quickly flew back from whence it came,

apparently in response to her momentary skepticism!

My last story was related to me at an evening gathering of health practitioners by a woman named Rachael. The conversation got around to elementals, and she told of an incident about a helpful elf who saved her life on a camping trip. She decided, after a hard week's work, to take a drive with her dog to the North Shore of Lake Superior just to relax and

camp out. She arrived after dark, and with her flashlight, started walking to find a clearing to set up camp, when all of a sudden, a little elf jumped out of the brush and put his hands up in the air repeatedly in "stay back" gestures for her to walk no further. Then, he popped back into the brush. Taking it as a warning, she went back and slept in her car. The next morning, she investigated the area, and was startled to see that if she had continued walking, she would have fallen over a cliff! ■

*If you have an elemental story to tell, feel free to contact Barbara at [bgobione@gmail.com](mailto:bgobione@gmail.com). The crafts illustrating this article were created by Barbara. Many variations of bird houses, make-a-wish bottles, and other fairie curios, including hand-made kits for children's parties, are available (see ad).*

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