



## *Tim Merry*

I love to work with people. I believe that we all have a potential, within ourselves and together, that holds the answers to the problems we face in our lives - whether that be in our families, communities, organisations, networks or world. My passion is creating participative processes that enable us to work together and enjoy overcoming seemingly impossible challenges.

I developed my craft as founder and partner in [Engage! Interact](#) in the Netherlands and continue to work in this field as a facilitator and free agent in Canada and internationally. Since moving to Nova Scotia in 2004 I have co-founded a rural learning centre called [the Shire](#) and founded Split Rock Learning Centre, a non-profit working with youth in transition and their adult supporters.

I have been fortunate to gain diverse experience ranging from major international businesses and government agencies to local communities all over the world. All this work is rooted in creating participative processes where stakeholder voice is key to creating the systems, structures and services that meet their needs. Current projects include:

- Multi stakeholder transformation of the Provincial Public Health System in Nova Scotia
- [Beyond Sustainability](#) – a large scale gathering of global leaders in Hawaii in June 2010
- Multi stakeholder transformations of regional infrastructure and culture of youth work in Ontario
- Multi stakeholder initiative to build the provincial conditions for resilient local food systems in Nova Scotia
- Art of Participatory Leadership Training in Nova Scotia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Ukraine and the UK

Much of my work is supported and initiated by the networks I am part of, which include [Berkana Collaborative](#), a global network of leaders taking social innovation to scale and the [Art of Hosting](#), a global network of hosts of strategic and meaningful conversations for positive change. I am one of the founders and global stewards of the Art of Hosting and am privileged to sit on the board of the [Berkana Institute](#), an international not for profit leading the way in participative leadership and communities of practice.

I live in Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia, Canada where I follow my other passions as a musician, slam poet, father and nature enthusiast.

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