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*Hellbender Journal* is a voice for forest activists working towards the protection of the Allegheny Forests in Pennsylvania. This issue focuses on efforts to oppose clearcutting in the Allegheny National Forest and on the discovery of endangered Indiana bats in the forest.

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The purpose of my camouflage is a conscious, functional gentleness in my relationship with the land and the creatures, human and non-human alike, who live in it. I seek always to minimize the impact of my presence — not merely to stalk my prey but as a matter of treating this land, these places I love, with reverence, courtesy, and respect. I try to avoid broadcasting a harsh alien presence that would send ripples of fear radiating out through the forest around me. I can feel those ripples and the silences that follow them, as can anyone who knows the woods well enough without knowing how to be truly quiet. The land will not fully disclose itself to the careless.

—Reg Darling

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