ABOUT US

Ujima Retreat Center is a Black family-owned sanctuary just outside Urbana-Champaign, Illinois. Founded in 2022, Ujima was born out of a desire to create a healing space that feels warm, grounding, and deeply human—never cold or clinical. We offer an immersive retreat experience where individuals, families, and groups can pause, breathe, and reconnect.

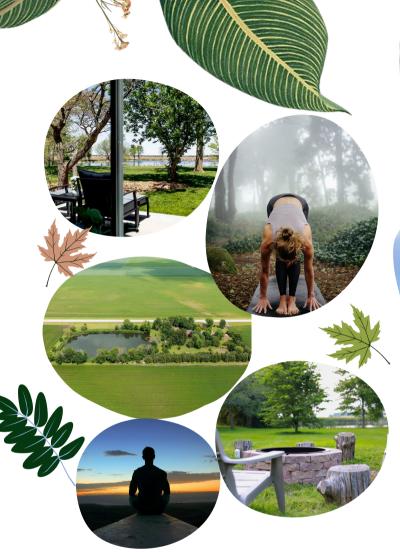
Set on 7.5 acres of land, our retreat features a cozy all-weather cabin, 2.5 acre spring-fed pond (swimming, kayaking, fishing), pavilion, sauna, hot tub, community vegetable garden, sound healing garden, aroma garden, forest bath trail, and fire pit—all designed to support rest, wellness, and meaningful connection. Whether you're seeking solitude or shared experiences, Ujima invites you to come as you are and leave renewed.

We believe nature is a powerful source of healing. Through rest, reflection, and reconnection with the land, we help guests restore balance, clarity, and well-being—returning to their lives and communities more grounded and inspired.

WHAT WE DO

- Retreat Stays for individuals, families, and groups seeking rest and rejuvenation
- **Wellness Experiences** that nurture the mind, body, and spirit
- Space to Reconnect—with self, nature, and others

Join us at Ujima Retreat Center to experience the healing power of nature and the strength found in community.



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"Unwind at Ujima, a place where caring for yourself, friends, co-workers, or loved ones is natural."

AERIAL MAP
Ujima Retreat
Center









1. Pond

A spring-fed pond, fully stocked and 25 feet deep at its lowest point. Ideal for quiet reflection, fishing, kayaking, or simply enjoying nature's rhythm.

2. Forest Bath Trail

A healing escape through nature—this immersive trail encourages grounding and sensory engagement, perfect for a forest bathing experience.

3. Sauna

A wood-burning sauna with a panoramic view. Seats 4–6 people. Engage all your senses for a restorative sweat session.

4. Bathroom

A simple outdoor toilet for guest convenience.

5. Hot Tuk

Seats 4-6 people. Enjoy water therapy under the open sky for deep relaxation.

6. Fire Pit

A cozy gathering space with ample seating. Perfect for stories, s'mores, and community.

7. Hammock Lounge

Five hammocks nestled in a quiet grove. Designed for grounding, rest, and meditation.

8. Pavilio

An open-air structure that seats 25, with a pond view, grill—great for meals, workshops, or small gatherings.

9. Cottage

A newly built structure for overnight stays or meetings. Cozy, modern, and multi-purpose.

10. Vegetable Garden

A space to explore seasonal produce and connect with the rhythms of growth and nourishment.

11. Chime Meadow

A meadow where wind chimes and bird houses are near traffic noise. Tune into nature's music and practice focused listening.

12. Parking

Designated area for guest vehicles.

13. Playing Field

Open space for recreational setup—football, soccer, badminton, croquet, and more.

14. Property Management

Administrative and support hub for onsite operations.

15. Sunset Point

Located at the end of the trail, this scenic overlook offers a breathtaking panoramic view of the setting sun.

