



## *Field-based Natural History Courses In and About the Klamath Siskiyou*

Dear Siskiyou Field Institute Participant:

You are registered to participate in **Sketch Your Way to Better Botany, Days 1-2 (Vegetative Parts and Flowers)** with Linda Vorobik on **Thursday-Friday, May 18-19**. Please arrive to sign in and meet your instructors by **9:00 a.m.** Class will conclude around **5:00 p.m.** on both Thursday and Friday.

**Your balance due is \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Tentative Course Schedule:**

#### **Thursday, May 18: Roots, Stems, Leaves**

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Inside lecture on sketching plant vegetative parts; independent drawing time.

12-1 p.m. – Lunch

1:00-1:30 – Drive to field site

1:30-3:30 p.m. – Sketching in field

4-4:30 p.m. – Summary of the day's work with a review of terminology, questions and demonstrations.

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Critique and celebration of our work!

#### **Friday, May 19: Flowers & Inflorescences**

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Inside lecture on sketching flowers and inflorescences; independent drawing time

12-1 p.m. – Lunch

1:00-1:30 p.m. – Drive to field site

1:30-3:30 p.m. – Sketching in field: \$8 Mountain Rd.

3:30 p.m. – Leave for SFI

4-4:30 p.m. – Summary of the day's work with a review of terminology, questions and demonstrations.

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Critique and celebration of our work!

*\*Please note: Times are approximate and subject to change.*

### **Appropriate attire and supplies:**

Sturdy Shoes	Hand Lens
Hat	Water
Lunch/Snacks	Binoculars
Sun Screen	First Aid Kit
Trekking Poles	Field Clothes
Small Backpack	Mosquito Repellent
Portable chair or stool	Digital camera!

**Art supplies:** any sketching supplies you are comfortable with and have already. For example:

1. **PAPER:** a small sketchbook (whatever size you prefer...I would go with ~8 by 10 inches), or watercolor paper cut in pieces to use on a clip board.
2. **DRAWING IMPLEMENT:** pencil with pencil sharpener or mechanical pencil, eraser, felt pens if you wish.

3. **COLOR:** if you wish (although color is not the focus for this workshop). Portable watercolor set or colored pencil set.

**Suggested Background Reading:** *A Botanist's Vocabulary*; *Drawing Plants* by Keith West, any botanical glossary, any books on field sketching (Vorobik will bring books to look at)

**You are responsible for your own safety** and should **bring necessary medications** (such as allergy medications, bee sting or insulin kits, sugar, etc.) you might need during this course. We suggest you tell other participants of a condition with which you might need their assistance (diabetes, allergic reaction, etc.).

**Directions:**

**SFI is located at 1241 Illinois River Road in Selma, OR.**

From Grants Pass – Take Hwy 199 (Redwood Highway) south to Selma (approximately 20 miles). Turn right at the blinking light in Selma onto Illinois River Rd. There is a 76 gas station on the corner. DCC is on the left approximately 1.5 miles up Illinois River Rd.

From Cave Junction - Take Hwy 199 (Redwood Highway) north to Selma (approximately 9 miles). Turn left at the blinking light onto Illinois River Rd. There is a 76 gas station on the corner. DCC is on the left approximately 1.5 miles up Illinois River Rd.

**Please note:** Most SFI courses require at least some driving. Students often opt to carpool to course sites to minimize environmental impacts to the area. Please be aware, however, that there will be no liability on the on the part of Siskiyou Field Institute for carpooling activities. Carpooling is a voluntary action of the participants.

**Accommodations:** SFI invites you to stay at SFI during your course, and we offer discounted rates to those attending our classes. **To reserve your space, call us or visit [www.thesfi.org](http://www.thesfi.org).** Check-in time at SFI is 4pm; check-out time is 11am. If you arrive when the office is closed please call caretaker, Lillie Hazelton, at 541-787-5303 (you might want to call from the highway – cell phone reception at SFI is sketchy). Lillie's number is also posted on the doors of Kendeda House.

- **Camping:** \$8/night per person
- **Yurt #1:** (bunk bed in a shared room w/electricity) \$12/night per person
- **Yurt #2:** (bunk bed in a shared room, no electricity) \$10/night per person
- **Dorm:** (bunk bed in a shared room in house) \$20/night per person
- **Private room with bath:** \$50/night for one, \$10 for each additional person.

**SFI is a pet-free and smoke-free facility. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!**

**Meals** are *not* provided in the course tuition. Please arrange to supply food for yourself. There is a restaurant and a grocery store in Selma. If you are staying in Siskiyou Field Institute's ranch house (private room or dorm spaces) you will have access to the kitchen for food preparation. If you are camping (yurts or tent camping), there is a covered pavilion with picnic tables where you may set up your camp stove.

**Environmental Precautions:** To prevent the spread of **sudden oak death, Port-Orford-cedar disease** and **noxious weeds**, the Forest Service requests that participants **wash the undercarriage and wheels of their vehicles** before driving on public lands. Those coming from California (especially Marin, Sonoma, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and Monterey counties) should pay particular attention to such cleaning. Please tend to it before class time. Forest Service permit guidelines require that you **wash the soles of your boots/shoes**. We will have a boot washing station onsite at registration.

**Payment Policy:**

30 or more days before course	\$25 or 25% of tuition, whichever is greater, to reserve space
29-15 days before course	50% tuition due
14 days before course	Balance due* (or space not guaranteed)

*\*If full tuition is not received one week prior to the start of the course, we cannot guarantee your space in the class.*

**Cancellation Policy:**

30 or more days before course	Full refund minus \$25 administrative fee
29-15 days before course	50% refund
Less than 14 days before course	No refund

We look forward to seeing you. Please contact us if you have questions or concerns.  
The Siskiyou Field Institute Staff