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It's Our Nature

Tuesdays, September 14 - October 5, 9 to 12

It's our nature to be curious about nature and the best way to learn about something is to draw it. We'll draw bones, blossoms, bulbs, nests, sticks and shells. We'll start with an investigation using graphite, then charcoal, ink wash and ink drawing with feathers and bamboo, and ending with a mix of everything including a bit of wax. Through drawing, we'll learn to really look at some of the incredibly designed life forms that share our world.

Course Objectives:

Improve observational skills through drawing from life

Use line and value to render objects in light and shadow

Acquire skills for drawing with several different drawing media

Creatively render natural objects by selectively using a mix of media

Observe, critique and discuss student work and master drawings

Gain a greater appreciation of the wonder all around us

Materials student will need to provide:

- pencils, 2B, 4B and 6B
- erasers
- vine charcoal and sticks
- stumps
- black water-based ink
- a few brushes
- pens
- mixed media paper

Materials provided by instructor: Lots of objects for drawing