

A Taxonomy Master Class in California Native Plant Families with Dr. Glenn Keator

Be on the forefront of recognizing and understanding California's vast and diverse flora
Get in-depth experience with native plant families and build a framework for identification
Be a keen observer of flowers, shrubs, and trees



Dogwood, *Cornus nuttallii*, throughout the year

This is Glenn Keator's second year presenting this series, and he's made some changes to provide greater flexibility. Originally, a 10-month series, this year there will be two shorter series, one in winter and spring, the other in summer and fall. You may sign up for one or both series.

Participants will learn the key features of important families, sample major genera and species in those families, and practice the art and science of identification through the process of keying.

The sessions are spaced approximately two weeks apart in order to maintain continuity and flow of information. The emphasis is on four-hour sessions at the Garden, each anchored by a Powerpoint presentation, a walk in the Garden, and practice keying with dissecting microscopes. In addition, each session will include three one-day local field trips and a five-day field trip to the mountains.

The five-day trips will be to the north coast from Eureka to the Oregon border, and to the central Sierra south of Lake Tahoe. Dates are to be determined.

See reverse side for session dates and field trip information.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Cost for each series:

- \$1,100 for Friends of the Regional Parks Botanic Garden, including a \$100 contribution to FRPB
- \$1,300 for nonmembers

Series I (winter/spring):

- Ten four-hour sessions
- Three one-day field trips
- One five-day field trip

Series II (summer/fall):

- Nine four-hour sessions
- Three one-day field trips
- One five-day field trip

Schedule for Taxonomy Master Class

Attend a free session at the Regional Parks Botanic Garden at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, January 24, 2016 to preview a class prior to committing to a series

SERIES I, WINTER/SPRING

Ten four-hour sessions from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every other Sunday beginning in late January:

January 31; February 24 & 28; March 13 & 27; April 10 & 24; May 8 & 22; June 5

Three six-hour Saturday field trips, one each in March, April, and May

March 20 – Bear Valley Trail, Pt. Reyes National Seashore

April 17 – Armstrong Redwood State Park north of the Russian River

May 15 – Oathill Mine Road, a trail near Mt. St. Helena

One five-day field trip, date to be determined, travel expenses not included

North Coast from Eureka to the Oregon border and adjacent to the Siskiyou Mountains

SERIES II, SUMMER/FALL

Nine four-hour sessions from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every other Sunday beginning in early August:

August 7 & 21; September 11 & 18; October 2, 16 & 30; November 13 & 20

Three six-hour Saturday field trips, one each in September, October, and November

September 24 – Pt. Reyes National Seashore

October 22 – Mitchell Canyon, Mt. Diablo State Park

November 5 – Purisima Canyon near Half Moon Bay

One five-day field trip, date to be determined, travel expenses not included

Central Sierra South of Lake Tahoe, including Carson and Ebbetts passes

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Linda Blide, 3249 Monterey Boulevard, Oakland, CA 94602

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Series I Series II Series I & Series II Amount enclosed: _____

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