

2019 BACK to BASICS Class Descriptions

Instructors: Marjorie Leggett & Susan Rubin

Location for ALL workshops:

Volunteers for Outdoors Colorado, 600 S Marion Pkwy, Denver, CO 80209 (in Washington Park) <https://www.voc.org/>

NEW!! BEYOND the BASICS: Portraits

January 24 & 25, 2019 (Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

Drawing people is a challenge! Start with some basic proportional cues that will help you site the shape of a head and plot features on a face. See how to use drawing skills you already know to capture an accurate profile. Step by step we'll work in graphite to build faces from shape and line and apply principles of light on form to flesh out a portrait from a few lines. Enjoy this fun head-on challenge and take your drawing in a fresh new direction!

NOTE: This class is tailored for students who have completed *Drawing Challenges*. Experienced artists are welcome. Contact us for more information.

BACK to BASICS: Drawing with Confidence

March 11, 12, 13 14, 2019 (Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

This fun workshop returns to the basics of Line, Shading, Perspective, and Composition to bolster your drawing skills and boost your confidence. Susan and Marjorie will guide you through steps to better drawing. Understand how to "see like an artist" and activate your artistic intuition. Revisit the principles of light, form, and depth to flesh out compositions. Practice perspective to accurately portray physical and atmospheric depth. Develop composition strategies to create dynamic artwork. We'll challenge and delight you with subjects large and small, indoors and out. Instruction, exercises, practice, and individual guidance will assure that in just four days you'll firm up those shaky skills and draw anything better and faster.

BEYOND the BASICS: Finding Focus

April 11 & 12, 2019 (Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

Back to Basics builds confidence and skills - now reach for the next level in *Beyond the Basics: Finding Focus!* Expand your understanding of composition, perspective and shading with added techniques and challenging still life. Start with conscious planning to develop a completed piece, learning essential elements of a great composition. We'll share tips and tricks for sighting, proportion, scale and angles. Next we'll show you how to develop a range of tonal values that will make your composition pop right off the page. Two instructors and two full days of instruction and practice will sharpen your eye for accurate drawing and balanced composition. *Beyond the Basics* expands your artistic toolbox and helps you draw better every time.

NOTE: Though this class is designed to follow our Back to Basics Drawing Bootcamp, we welcome artists with some drawing experience. Please contact us!

BEYOND the BASICS: Into Color

June 13 & 14, 2019 (Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

Drawing in graphite but dreaming in color? Take two instructors and two days to accelerate your color acumen. Before you jump into full color, learn to see in monochromatic values and trick your brain into perceiving varied hues from just one color. Now think in pairs. We'll access one warm and one cool color to explore the power of color mixing and temperature as we model light on form with simple subjects. By day's end on Friday you'll not only be amazed by how you look at color differently, you will have created a finished piece!

NOTE: Though this workshop is tailored to students who have completed *Back to Basics and Finding Focus*, experienced artists are welcome. Contact us for more information.

BEYOND the BASICS: Drawing Challenges

July 25 & 26, 2019 (Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

Let's draw the tough stuff! After all this practice, there are still things that stump you. That shadow in the interior of your subject, insect wings that reflect light and show substance behind. From transparency to translucency, folds to crinkles, spikes to soft, we'll meet drawing difficulties head on. Two instructors and two full days help unravel the mysteries of texture and shadow on almost any subject. Working in graphite, you'll elevate your drawings from good to great with an arsenal of tips and tricks for your drawing toolbox.

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BEYOND the BASICS: Composing with Color

September 19 & 20, 2019 (Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

It's time to take composition to the next level! The tried and true models for composition, like the Rule of Thirds, Notan, and balance, just got an update! Learn the basics of composing with color to add new life to your work. We'll begin with shapes in color, discovering which colors enhance form, how to use color to push the perception of perspective, and how to create calm or chaos with your color selections. Next we'll translate that flat mosaic to a fully rendered work, creating a color composition that tells your story precisely. In this workshop you'll have both instructors to guide you through the process in your choice of watercolor or colored pencil. Come see what color can do! NOTE: This workshop is tailored to students who have completed *Into Color*.

NEW!! BEYOND the BASICS: More Drawing Challenges

November 7 & 8, 2019 (Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-2:30pm, with a 30-minute lunch break)

The subjects just got tougher! We've unraveled some mysteries, but more challenges await. Water is a conundrum, causing distortion and reflection. How do you handle a super-shiny surface with multiple highlights and reflections . . . and what if the surface itself is complicated in form? What about water droplets in all their configurations, and what if they fall on a reflective surface? Two instructors and two full days will tackle the trials of shine, distortion and reflection Working in graphite pencil, you'll move to the next level of observation and drawing, one challenge at a time. NOTE: This class is tailored for students who have completed *Drawing Challenges*. Experienced artists are welcome. Contact us for more information.

2019 BACK to BASICS REGISTRATION & PAYMENT FORM

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ENROLLMENT, CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY: Workshops are limited to 12 students. Enrollments are processed in the order received. Classes fill quickly, so register early or contact the instructors to check for availability. We will maintain an active waitlist and will notify you if a place becomes available.

Refunds are available only for class cancellations caused by inclement weather or low enrollment. Should you cancel a class, you will receive a class credit if we are able to fill the seat. Check your schedule! We are unable to provide make-up opportunities, prorations or refunds for missed classes.

PAYMENT OPTIONS: Check OR PayPal

Pay by check: Print out and complete 2 copies of the registration form. Save one copy for yourself; mail one and your check (payable to Marjorie Leggitt) to: *Marjorie Leggitt, 1928 Mariposa Ave., Boulder CO 80302*

Pay by PayPal: Print out and complete 2 copies of the registration form. Save one for yourself; email one to mclleggitt@gmail.com
Log into PayPal <https://www.paypal.com> (Sign up if you don't already have an account. It's free!)
Click on the "Send or Request Money" button. Send your payment to *mclleggitt@gmail.com*

Materials lists and workshop details will be emailed 1 month before the first day of class.

Date:

Name:

Address:

Telephone/cell:

Email address:

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