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Sitka Center for Art and Ecology 2012 Workshop Program

OTIS, OR - February 7, 2012 – It's almost time for the 2012 workshops to begin! Between May and October of 2012, the Sitka Center will host over 100 workshops, ranging in length from one to five days, in book arts, calligraphy, collage, drawing, painting, encaustics, fiber art, food, jewelry, metal work, music, nature, photography, printmaking, sculpture, woodworking, and writing. View all the workshops online now at www.sitkacenter.org.

Registration opens for Sitka Center members on February 27, 2012 and for the general public on March 12, 2012. Individuals may register, become members, and/or request a printed workshop catalog online at www.sitkacenter.org or by calling the Sitka Center at 541.994.5485.

Oregon's Poet Laureate, Paulann Petersen, inspired by time at the Sitka Center, shared, "What is Sitka? Sitka is a center for art and ecology, an artists' retreat. But an artists' retreat isn't about *retreat* at all. It's about the exact opposite: excursion, headway, exploration, breakthrough, progress. An artists' retreat offers time and space to honor and nurture, to *allow* artistic work."

How might taking a workshop at the Sitka Center inspire your work and your life? Delve into a totally new experience such as kayaking under the full moon, or dive deeper into an art form you already know and love. Either way, you will be surrounded by kindred, creative, nature loving spirits at the Sitka Center.

Committed to expanding the relationships between art, nature and humanity, the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology is renowned for its workshop and residency programs. Exploration of the coastal environment has remained a key component to The Center's vitality. Located near Cascade Head, with views of the Pacific Ocean, the Sitka Center offers a place where artists, writers, scientists, and musicians of all abilities and backgrounds come to nourish and inspire their creativity which ripples out into our world making it a brighter place for all.

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