

HOW TO GET TO THE RETREAT

From Portland

From Portland, take highway 26 East bound toward Sandy. Continue through Sandy to Mt. Hood and then on to Madras. It is about 1 ½ to 2 hours from Portland to Madras. As you come down the hill into Madras, take a left at the stop light. This will put you on Hwy 97 going North. Follow this past the turnoff to Richardson's Ranch and a few miles past this you will find a Y in the road with the right one going to Antelope. Take that right road to Antelope and turn right on 218 towards Fossil. It will be about 15 to 18 miles to Clarno and the John Day River. About 2 miles after crossing the John Day River, a sign will identify the turn off to Hancock Field Station. Turn left on the narrow rock and dirt road and follow for about ½ mile to the camp. See you there.

Landline Emergency Number to Camp -- 541-489-3233

Creature Comfort List

Essential items:

- Flashlight (like a Maglight- it's very dark) (MAKE SURE TO BRING ONE).
- Flip Flops (shower shoes).
- Sleeping bag, quilt or blankets.
- Flat sheet (if too hot to sleep in sleeping bag).
- Seat cushion (will be sitting a lot on wooden benches except in Lapidary shop).
- Single size air mattress (bunk pads don't give much cushion).
- Bath towel & toiletries.
- Pillow.
- Comfortable clothing, like T-shirts, jeans, shorts (don't mind getting dirty, dusty & wet).
- Money to pay for any purchases and kits from the instructors.
- Rocks (to cut or to trade- there will be some slabs available for purchase for lapidary workshop).
- Safety Eye wear for workshop environments.
- Optivisor, if you need the magnification.
- For RV's – a 50ft extension cord for electric hookup.
- Wirewrapping & Beading – Bring your own tools if you have them.

Comfort items:

- Camp chair
- Snacks that don't require refrigeration (Must be left in your vehicle)
- Small fan for cabin (if hot)
- Extension cord for fan or other electrical items
- Book (if like to read)
- Hiking boots (if like to hike)
- Camera
- Water bottle
- Bug/mosquito repellent
- Personal First Aid kit
- Ear Plugs (cabin mates may snore)
- Notebook & pen for notes
- Fine Tip Sharpie pen for Lapidary
- A waterproof Apron for Lapidary, Doublets and Triplets, Intarsia, Carving
- Small Ziplock bags to put finished work in
- An old toothbrush for cleaning Jewelry or stones
- Coffee cup/mug for coffee & tea drinkers