



Bird Sketching Workshop with Christine Elder

REFERENCES FOR FURTHER LEARNING

See my website for additional resources: www.ChristineElder.com

BOOKS:

Books on drawing birds -

- The Laws Guide to Drawing Birds*, John Laws. 2012 (also see his excellent bibliography)
- *Drawing Birds* by John Busby, Timber Press. 2004
- *Learn to Draw Birds* by Peter Partington. 1998
- Learn to Paint Birds in Watercolour* by Peter Partington. 1998
- Drawing and Painting Birds*, Tim Wootton. 2010
- Painting Birds* by Susan Rayfield. 1988
- Nature Drawing, a tool for learning* by Clare Walker Leslie 1980 Chapter 7 is on birds

Books on field sketching and journaling:

- The Art of Field Sketching, Nature Journal and Keeping a Nature Journal (and more books) by Clare Walker Leslie
- The Sierra Club Guide to Sketching in Nature by Cathy Johnson
- How to Keep a Naturalist's Notebook by Susan Leigh Tomlinson
- Hannah Hinchman-many published books on nature journaling
- Field Notes on Science and Nature by Michael R. Canfield and Edward O. Wilson

Books on birds and basic identification and anatomy -

- *Sibley's Birding Basics* by David Allen Sibley. 2002
- *Birding, A Nature Company Guide* by John Forshaw and Howell, Lindsey, Stallcup. 1994
- *National Geographic Birding Essentials* by Jonathan Alderfer and Jon Dunn. 2007

WEBSITES:

Websites of bird photographers for practicing sketching-

-Steve Brad (<http://www.stevebradphoto.com/>)

-Christopher Christie (<http://www.flickr.com/photos/christopherchristie/>)

-Robert Royse bird photography: <http://roysephotos.com/>

-Cal Photos (UC Berkeley, 400,000 images!) (<http://macaulaylibrary.org/http://calphotos.berkeley.edu/about.shtml>)

Websites of bird videos to practice drawing movement and behavior-

-What Bird website: <http://www.whatbird.com/>

-Cornell Lab of Ornithology: -

-Cornell Lab of Ornithology nest cams (featuring great blue herons, red-tailed hawks, barn owls and ospreys: <http://cams.allaboutbirds.org/>)

-Macaulay Library of audio and video of birds and other wildlife: <http://macaulaylibrary.org/>

-Cornell's YouTube site <http://www.youtube.com/user/LabofOrnithology>

SKETCHING SUPPLIES:

The following is a list of my favorite art supplies for sketching

- Clipboard
- Spiral bound sketch book
- Sketching paper
- Colored Canson Mi-Tientes papers
- Watercolor paper
- Mechanical pencil with HB 0.5 lead
- Prismacolor Verithin colored pencils
- Staedtler non-photo blue pencil
- Derwent water soluble pencil
- Soft sketching pencil like Prismacolor Turquoise 2B
- *Water-soluble* pen such as Pilot Razor Point II or fine point Espresso pen
- *Water-proof* pen such as Pigma Microns or Faber-Castell Pitt Artists pen
- White gel pen
- Watercolor travel set such as Winsor & Newton
- Pentel Aquash waterbrush
- Small water container
- Rag
- A waterproof bag or case

Additional supplies to take into the field for may include a camera, binoculars, hand lens and field guides.