

Communicating Nature: Creating a "Nachusa Corps of Discovery"

*A New Project from the
Illinois Natural History
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To aesthetically document this unique Illinois prairie restoration we will develop a "Nachusa Corps of Discovery," consisting of individuals trained in the skills of nature photography, descriptive writing, and sketching/drawing, who can then create a total picture of Nachusa, both today and into the future.

Members of the Corps of Discovery will be trained in a series of four workshops, beginning in Spring, 2009, at the Nachusa Grasslands Red Barn Headquarters, 8772 S. Lowden Road Franklin Grove, Illinois

The dynamic, changing landscape of Nachusa Prairie provides a perfect opportunity for interested, committed citizens to participate in the documentation of the biological and habitat diversity of this historic restoration effort. Two centuries ago Illinois served as the start for one of the greatest exploratory endeavors undertaken on the North American continent—the Lewis & Clark Expedition. This expedition generated perhaps the most famous nature journals ever compiled during the two-year exploration of the American West. Whereas Lewis and Clark traveled thousands of miles to document the diverse American West, in the Illinois of today it is the prairie landscape that will move, evolve, and diversify and the individuals who will stay put.

Classes will be held in 2009 on June 5, 19, 26 & July 10 from 9 am - 4 pm

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Tuition for the Nachusa Corps of
Discovery is \$75.*

"... a world of grass and flowers stetched before me ..."
Elixa Steele

