ART NEW ENGLAND WORKSHOPS

INFORMATION

SUPPLIES
Enclosed is the supply list for your workshop. If you choose to ship your supplies in advance (they will be held for you) please use this address:

Art New England Summer Workshops
C/o Bennington College
1 College Drive
Bennington, VT 05201

Clearly marked in bottom left corner of package:
HOLD FOR: Your name
COURSE: Your class WEEK: 1, 2, or 3

ARRIVAL SCHEDULE
• Please arrive between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Upon arrival, follow the signs to the Art New England Office (Franklin House) to register.
• You will be given your room key, meal card, and other information. A $10 deposit is required for your key. As we quickly run out of change for $20 bills, we appreciate you having a $10 bill or two fives. Thanks!
• If you arrive early, please enjoy some of the local sites (http://www.benningtoncounty.com). We are busy preparing for you and are not able to register participants before 2:00 p.m.
• If you are staying off campus, please register before 4:30pm.

PARKING
Those who bring a car will be issued a Bennington parking permit at orientation. The permit must be kept on your windshield so it is visible to Bennington Security staff. There is a student parking lot very close to the dorms. VERY IMPORTANT - please park only in designated areas. Bennington College Security Officers will ticket and tow cars parked in other areas, especially if they are blocking a fire lane.
**ORIENTATION**

- After you register you will have time to get settled in your room. **At 5:00 p.m. everyone will return to the Art New England office (Franklin House) for orientation.** You will meet with the faculty, staff and others in your class. Your class will have its first meeting Sunday evening at 7:30 following dinner.

- **If you are delayed and cannot be on campus for the 5 p.m. orientation it is helpful to let us know your expected time of arrival. Please call and leave a message at the Art New England Office in Bennington: 802-442-7771 or 802-442-7772.**

**THINGS TO BRING**

- **Power strip** - Room outlets are limited so if you have a fan, phone, lap top charger, etc. please bring a **power strip** and **3 prong adaptor** (If you are flying in, we can provide this). **PLEASE NOTE: EXTENSION CORDS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE DORMS DUE TO FIRE CODE.**

- **Flashlight** - Handy for walking around at night.

- **Casual Clothes** - the weather is generally warm, but you should bring a sweater(s) since it can get cool in the evenings. Swimming is available at nearby Lake Paran.

- **A fan** - for your room, an important sleep aid on warm nights. We have some to loan for those people who fly or arrive by train.

- **Extra reading lamp** - Bennington dorm room lights are low wattage. If you enjoy reading at bedtime a stronger light is recommended (some participants bring “itty bitty book lights” and are happy with those).

- **Hangers** - if you wish to hang clothing in your closet please bring hangers.

- **Drawing Supply** - There is an open life drawing session Monday through Thursday evenings. You may wish to have a sketchbook, or drawing board and other dry drawing media.
OTHER INFORMATION

COMPUTERS
Feel free to bring your laptop, there is free wifi throughout the campus (including dorms). There are public computers available in the Commons Building (dining hall) if you do not have a laptop.

MEAL CARDS
Your meal card, given to you at registration on Sunday, must be presented at all times for entrance into the dining halls (it is “swiped” for each meal), and serves as authorization for use of the gym. Cards are collected after your final meal. Please be certain to return your meal card if you are departing early. If the card is lost, a replacement card for $5.00.

MEAL HOURS (subject to change)
7:00-7:30 Continental Breakfast
7:30-8:30 Breakfast
12:00-1:30 Lunch
5:30-7:00 Dinner
10:30-noon Sunday Brunch (for stay overs only)

KITCHENS
There is a kitchen on almost every floor of each dorm. If you do not find one on your floor, go up or down a floor to find one. You are welcome to store anything you wish in the refrigerator there, just be sure to label with your name and date on it so it is not accidentally thrown out. There are microwaves in kitchens as well.

LAUNDRY
There are coin-operated machines for washing and drying your laundry in the Commons building. Detergent and fabric softener are available for purchase.

CASH
There is an ATM machine located in the lounge area of the Commons Building. There is also a change machine.
LINENS
Bennington College provides sheets, pillowcases and one towel weekly. Two blankets are given out, and extra blankets can be obtained.

POST OFFICE
Your address will be: Your Name
Art New England Workshops
1 College Drive
Bennington College
Bennington, VT 05201
You will have a mailbox on campus. There is a US Post Office on campus in the Commons Building with deliveries each day, except Saturday and Sunday. The post office is open for the sale of stamps, money orders, parcel post, etc; hours are 10-3:45, Monday through Friday.

SHIPPING HOME
If you plan to ship your supplies or work home you can ship boxes under 30 lbs from the campus post office. Please let us know if you need help bringing boxes over. Also, there is a Staples in Bennington with UPS shipping. Please let us know at the beginning of the week if you plan to do this, we schedule one trip on Friday afternoon.

GUESTS
Participants may have guests on campus. Bennington College security requires that they register at the Guard Booth. Guests may not stay over night except those registered as guests for the week (there is no per diem rate). Guests may eat in the Commons Dinning hall; and pay cash for their meals.
BOOKSTORE
The Bennington College Bookstore stocks basic art supplies, as well as newspapers, books, postcards, t-shirts, candy and other sundries. It is located in the barn (red building between dorms and VAPA). Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4pm.

GYM and Lake Paran
The Meyer Recreation Barn is open to the college community. It houses a variety of weight machines, free weights, and aerobic equipment. It is open each week day from Monday-Friday: 6:30-8:30am, and 4:00-10:00pm, on Saturday-Sunday: 1:00-9:00pm.
Lake Paran is a privately managed fresh water lake which is a about a 15 minute walk from campus (directions will be in your packet). It is open every day from 11am until 7pm. Admission is free with your Art New England I.D..

ANYTHING ELSE?
If there’s something we forgot or that is not clear please do not hesitate to contact me, Nancy McCarthy at: nmccarthy@massart.edu or 617-879-7175; from July 12—Augus 2: 802-442-7771 or 7772, Bennington College Art New England Office (email is the same as above).