

Hello,

Are you a fisheries biologist, botanist, environmental consultant, biological technician, aquatic biologist, extension agent, college student, etc. who would like to improve your knowledge of aquatic plant identification? If so, be sure to sign up for the Gratiot Lake Conservancy-sponsored AQUATIC PLANT IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP in Michigan's Upper Peninsula this summer! This class will also be useful to volunteer monitors or lake association members interested in learning how to identify aquatic plants and invasive species in order to protect healthy ecosystems in inland lakes.

NOTE: A pdf version of this notice and an enrollment form are attached to this email.

WHERE: near Eagle Harbor (Keweenaw Peninsula of Michigan's Upper Peninsula)

WHEN: August 22 (Sat.) and August 23 (Sun.) 2015
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (eastern time) each day

INSTRUCTOR: botanist Janet Marr

SPONSOR: Gratiot Lake Conservancy (GLC) <http://www.gratiotlakeconservancy.org>
Program Director, Bonnie Hay director@GratiotLakeConservancy.org

FEE: Space is limited and advance enrollment is required. The fee (in US currency) for this 2-day workshop is \$100 (\$85 for GLC members). Fee includes a field notebook, a handbook, *Guide to Aquatic Plants of Gratiot Lake and other Keweenaw County Lakes*, and canoe rental (use of your own canoe or kayak is optional). Enrollment form can be downloaded from the Aquatic Plant Workshop page at <http://gratiotlakeconservancy.org/AquaticPlantWrkshp2015.htm>

SCHOLARSHIP: There will be *Janet Avery Scholarships* available. Interested applicants should email Bonnie Hay at director@GratiotLakeConservancy.org
Please indicate your affiliation, why you would like to attend the workshop, and how you intend to use what you learn in your work, studies, or teaching. Put "Aquatic Plant Workshop Scholarship" in the subject line.

WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES: Workshop activities will take place both inside the classroom and in the field at several Keweenaw lakes and channels/coves connected to Lake Superior. Submersed and floating-leaved aquatic plants will be identified with a focus on identification of pondweeds (*Potamogeton* and *Stuckenia* species) and rosette-formers including the Michigan endangered awlwort (*Subularia aquatica*). Techniques for collecting and herbarium specimen/label preparation will be demonstrated. Differences between aquatic invasive species such as Eurasian water-milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*) and curly-leaf pondweed (*Potamogeton crispus*) and their native relatives will be discussed.

Visit the GLC website to view photos of past Aquatic Plant Workshops.

MICHIGAN K-12 TEACHERS: State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs) may be available to workshop participants.

OTHER GRATIOT LAKE-SPONSORED 2015 WORKSHOPS. For further information please visit the GLC website or email Bonnie Hay at director@GratiotLakeConservancy.org :

Sketching the Landscape in Watercolor (Marilynn Brandenburger), August 1 and 2.
<http://www.gratiotlakeconservancy.org/BrandenburgWkshop2015.htm>

Beginners Workshop on Dragonflies and Damselflies (Bob Marr), August 25 (raindate August 26) 10am - 4pm
<http://www.gratiotlakeconservancy.org/DragonflyWrkshp2015.htm>

Lichens Workshop (Karena Schmidt), August 15 focusing on natural history and identification.
<http://www.gratiotlakeconservancy.org/LichenWrkshp2015.htm>

If you know of anyone who may be interested in any of these workshops, please pass this message on to them. Thanks!

If you would prefer not to receive any emails in the future about this workshop, please reply to this email, and we'll remove your name from the mailing list.

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