

CERTIFIED INTERPRETIVE GUIDE COURSE
MARCH 9-12, 2012
BERNHEIM ARBORETUM & RESEARCH FOREST
CLERMONT, KENTUCKY

THIS 32-HOUR COURSE INCLUDES:

- ✿ history, definition, and principles of interpretation; presentation and communication skills
- ✿ creating programs that are purposeful, enjoyable, relevant, organized, and thematic
- ✿ incorporating tangible objects and intangible ideas into your programs
- ✿ course materials, coffee breaks with snacks daily

NAI CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

open-book exam; program outline; 10-minute presentation and full participation in all sessions.

YOUR INSTRUCTOR:

Wren Smith is a Certified Interpretive Trainer for NAI with over 25 years experience as an interpretive naturalist and trainer for parks, nature centers and retreats. Wren has conducted regional and national training sessions for NAI and other related organizations.

THE WORKSHOP SETTING:

All sessions will take place at Bernheim's Education Center and begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m.

FOOD:

Participants may bring their own sack lunch or purchase food from the Visitor Center located a short walk from the Education Center. Light refreshments will be provided daily during the breaks.

LODGING:

The closest lodging may be found in Shepherdsville approximately 5 miles from Bernheim. For information about lodging and meals go to www.travelbullitt.org.

**We may have limited housing available on a first come first serve bases for a minimum charge.*

Class size is limited to 15 to ensure individual attention.

FEE:

- REGULAR FEE: \$353 (for non members wishing for 1 year associate standard membership)
OPTION 1: \$308 (available only to those that are already NAI members)
OPTION 2: \$365 (higher fees for non members who don't want NAI membership).
OPTION 3: \$273 (for those who want the training but not the certification)

Fees are due with registration; credit cards accepted by phone or mail check to Bernheim, P.O. Box 130, Clermont, KY. 40110. Registration or confirmation must be received by February 17. For any questions about CIG registration call Wren at (502) 955- 9512 ex 227, or (502) 275- 8580.

CIG REGISTRATION FORM

Only Partial refunds are available if registration is cancelled less than seven days prior to first day of training

Complete the following registration form and send a check, made out to Bernheim: Bernheim, P.O. Box 130, Clermont, KY 40110. Or you can register with a credit card by calling (502) 955- 8512. Registration is not guaranteed until payment is received. Questions? Call Wren Smith at (502) 955 – 8512 ex 227, or (502) 275-8580. Email Wren at wren@bernheim.org.

Name _____

Organization/agency _____

Mailing Address _____

Day phone _____

Email _____

PLEASE CIRCLE:

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TOTAL COST \$_____

Check amount (or amount to be charged to card): \$_____

MC/Visa/Amex/Disc # _____ exp: _____

Signature _____

Your name as it reads on credit card: _____

****Optional expense:** \$130 for certification library can be ordered in advance. This set is a valuable reference library to which you'll refer throughout your career. The six texts, which are necessary for completion of the open-book exam, will be provided for student use during the workshop. However, for those who wish to purchase their own texts NAI offers a discounted package price of \$120 + \$10 shipping. You may call NAI at 888-900-8283, ask to order the "certification library" and have these books shipped to you. You may also wish to order a copy of Personal Interpretation for an addition \$10.00

NOTE: This is a lot of material to absorb. Advance reading of these texts is HIGHLY recommended; it will leave you more time to focus on class activities and evening assignments. The texts are: Environmental Interpretation by Sam Ham; Interpreting Our Heritage by Freeman Tilden; Interpretation of Natural and Cultural Resources by Knudsen, Cable & Beck; Interpretation for the 21st Century by Beck & Cable; Sharing Nature with Children by Joseph Cornell; Interpreting for Park Visitors by Bill Lewis. This set is a basic reference library to which you'll refer throughout your career.