

Hurricane Island

Center for Science and Leadership

Thank you for your interest in the Beginner and/or Advanced Bird Banding Classes at Hurricane Island Center for Science and Leadership. The courses are instructed by the Institute for Bird Populations of Point Reyes, California, and take place at the Hurricane Island Center for Science and Leadership in Penobscot Bay, Maine.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Each day we will be in the field at sunrise and work the nets for 5-6 hours. Lunch (one hour), then a 2-3 hour classroom session followed by a break and then Dinner. There will be some “homework”. Information and details of course materials can be found at the IBP website – www.birdpop.org. Proper field attire is necessary. (mud boots and rain gear too).

FACILITIES & LODGING

Hurricane Island is an off-the-grid facility and considered a wilderness setting, but we have very comfortable facilities, learning spaces, and lodging. Classroom activities are held in our Classroom building overlooking Hurricane Sound and neighboring Islands. Participants will stay in our rustic and delightful cabins that dot the granite ledges of Hurricane Island. The cabins will be shared with at least one other participant. We do not provide bedding, that must be provided by the participant. We also have yurts as an option and they sleep up to 8 people. Private cabins MAY be available at an additional fee if there is capacity.

Our shower house has six showers. A solar thermal evacuated tube collector on the roof heats water for our showers. A propane on-demand hot water heater provides backup heat. Hurricane Island’s main restroom facility has four [Clivus Multrum](#), foam-flush composting toilets, in addition to the four [Clivus Multrum](#) composting toilets located in our shower house. There are also 2 outhouses located along our trails with the best view in Penobscot Bay ☺

All meals and transportation between Hurricane Island and our mainland office are included in the registration fee. Because we are a wilderness setting, we do collect extensive medical information during the registration process and make it a priority to accommodate all dietary restrictions and allergies.

More information and pictures about our facilities can be found at <http://www.hurricaneisland.net/facilities/>

REGISTRATIONS, PAYMENTS, CANCELLATIONS

Class is Limited to 8 people with a minimum of 6. A non-refundable deposit is due to hold your place in the course and full payment is due 45 days prior to the start of the program. To register please visit our registration page at <https://hurricaneisland.campbrainregistration.com/>. Please do not book your flights until the class minimum is met. (We will let you know ASAP). Our full refund and cancellation policy can be found here: <http://www.hurricaneisland.net/payment-and-cancellation-policy/>. Questions about registration can be directed to registration@hurricaneisland.net or call 207 867 6050.