

YES – The 2022 Rockhound Retreat is ON.

This years NW Rockhound Retreat will be held on Monday September 5th thru Sunday September 11th, 2022 at OMSI's Hancock Field Station. As usual campers cannot arrive before 3:00 PM and the use of air conditioners is not allowed in cabins and RV's.

The cost of the retreat is the same as last year Registration \$325.00, Workshop Fee \$50.00. The Fossil Beds Trip is \$35.00 if enough people signup.

Camp Hancock is a primitive outdoor camp in central Oregon with dirt and gravel paths, ditches and hilly terrain and may not be suitable for all persons with disabilities.

Because the COVID pandemic is ongoing, we do not know what restrictions or procedures will be required by the State of Oregon or OMSI concerning vaccinations, masks or distance between work stations.

If you want a Registration Form or have questions please contact me at waltercbutler@comcast.net

The following classes are planned: Class size is limited

- Lapidary Shop (intro and advanced training in use of rock saws, grinding wheels and polishers)

- Doublets and Triplets (making cabs with multiple layers)

- Silversmithing (working with silver to make jewelry)

- Intarsia (using multiple materials to make composite cabs)

- Metal Techniques (using various metals, and tools, enameling to make jewelry)

- Rock Carving (using grinding tools to carve soft rock)

- Wire Wrapping (using wire to secure cabochons in pendants and bracelets)

- Beading (making rings, necklaces, and bracelets with various beads and stones)

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