Corcoran Certificate Program

Certificate Program: 10 credits of required courses and 5 credits of elective courses (15.0 Credits Total)

The Corcoran College of Art + Design, in collaboration with the U.S. Botanic Garden, is proud to offer a certificate in botanical art and illustration. This program provides an in-depth focus on the traditions, techniques and history of botanical art and illustration.

Students have the opportunity to study contemporary concepts and materials, and to integrate this knowledge into the well-established and highly regarded field of botanical art and illustration.

Beginning foundation courses emphasize the accurate and detailed depiction of botanical forms. This group of electives, including watercolor, oil painting, clay, and photography, will broaden each student's experience and knowledge. Courses are taught at both the Corcoran's Georgetown and Downtown campuses, as well as at the U.S. Botanic Garden.

Seven (7) required courses for a total of 10.0 credits:

- BG2200 Botany for Illustrators (1 credit)
- DR1400 Introduction to Botanical Drawing (1.5 credits)
- DR1000-level drawing course (1.5 credits)
- DR1260 Color Theory (1.5 credits)
- DR2400 Intermediate Botanical Drawing (1.5 credits)
- PT1350 Introduction to Botanical Painting (1.5 credits)
- PT2400 Intermediate Botanical Painting (1.5 credits)

A maximum of ten (10) elective courses for a total of 5.0 credits may be chosen from the following:

- DR160x/DR360x Special topics in Botanical Illustration
- PT160x/PT360x Special topics in Botanical Illustration
- Any 1000-level or above "BG" course

If you are interested in taking a class to receive credit toward the Certificate in Botanical Art and Illustration please register with the Corcoran College of Art and Design online or at (202) 639-1820. The U.S. Botanic Garden only accepts non-credit registrations.