

## **FAQs**

### **1. What is the timeline for Odyssey 2010?**

Fall 2009

Registration is open – Sign up NOW!

February 20

Catalogs will be mailed- look for them by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

April 1

Deadline for refund of deposit by written request only.

Course selection and final payment due

May 15

Mailing out class information

July 24

See you at Odyssey!

### **2. How much is the TOTAL cost of Odyssey 2010 Calligraphy Conference? What is included in the price?**

The estimated cost of Odyssey 2010 is \$1300 per participant. Included is thirty hours of class instruction, as either two half-week classes or one all-week class; seven nights of double-occupancy accommodations; and meals from dinner July 24<sup>th</sup> 2010 through breakfast July 31<sup>st</sup> 2010. All evening programs and exhibits are also included.

Conference fees do not include travel expenses, shuttle buses, tutorial sessions, class materials, lab fees, or the Tuesday field trips. All class material fees will be listed in the Odyssey 2010 course catalog. After the catalog is mailed, a conference fees form will be available for download.

Registration Questions: [elissabarr@2010calligraphyconference.com](mailto:elissabarr@2010calligraphyconference.com)

### **3. What if I want a Single room instead of Double occupancy?**

A limited number of single rooms and rooms with Air Conditioning

will be available at additional cost (see the conference fees form.) Due to the limited availability, requests will be filled first for those with medical needs, then to other participants.

#### **4. Will I get the class I want?**

We certainly hope so! On April 1<sup>st</sup> we will begin filling classes by registration number. After April 5<sup>th</sup>, class assignments will be based on the date your forms are received. If a class does not fill and is cancelled, you will be placed in another of your class choices. The earlier your registration deposit, the lower your registration number and the more likely you will get your first class choice.

#### **5. Goody bags?**

Odyssey 2010 plans to have a goody bag waiting for you upon arrival. If your guild, or a company you know is interested in contributing to our goody bag please contact: Sheila Delahanty at [sheiladelahanty@2010calligraphyconference.com](mailto:sheiladelahanty@2010calligraphyconference.com).

#### **6. I can't attend for the entire week. May I attend a portion of Odyssey 2010?**

Yes, you are welcome to register for the first or second half of Odyssey 2010. Please see the class listings in the catalog for classes offered during each half-week. The first half of the week begins Saturday through lunch on Tuesday with dorm check-out by 3 pm. The second half week, participants may check-in anytime after 1 pm on Tuesday and will enjoy dinner that night and classes from Wednesday through Friday with check-out on Saturday morning. See the conference fee form for costs.

#### **7. I live in the area or I have friends/family in the area. Is it possible to commute instead of staying on campus?**

Of course! You may register for Odyssey 2010 as a commuter; this will include classes, evening programs, all meals, and other activities without staying on campus. See the conference fees form for a breakdown of the fees.

**8. I prefer to stay off-campus. Do you have suggestions as to where I can stay?**

Odyssey 2010 has arranged for a block of rooms at Residence Inn Brockton. Details will be coming with the catalog. This block is available until May 1<sup>st</sup> so make your reservations promptly. Other local lodging opportunities can be found by searching “lodging Easton MA.”

**9. When should I arrive at Odyssey 2010?**

Schedule your arrival at Stonehill College in Easton, MA no later than 5pm on Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. Check-in on Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup> will start at 10 am. Lunch will be available for purchase on campus.

**10. How do I get to Odyssey 2010 at Stonehill College, Easton, MA?**

**Driving-** Some of you will want to drive to the conference. See this link for directions: [www.stonehill.edu/x980.xml](http://www.stonehill.edu/x980.xml)

**Flying-** Arrange your own airline travel via online travel websites or a travel agent. Schedule your arrival at Boston’s Logan International Airport or Providence’s T.F. Green Airport between 10 am and 3 pm on Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. It is about 45 minutes from either airport. For a nominal fee, a shuttle bus service will be made available from both Logan International Airport and T.F. Green at predetermined intervals. If you are not able to arrive on July 24<sup>th</sup> between 10 and 3, you will need to arrange for your own transportation from the airport to Odyssey 2010. Car rentals and taxi services are available at both airports.

**Train** – Arriving by train, please plan to arrive at the “Route 128” Amtrak station. Shuttle pickup will be available for a nominal fee on July 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. Alternatively, you may take a taxi from the train to Stonehill College.

**Bus-** we will arrange for shuttle bus service from the South Station bus terminal for a nominal fee on Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm.

**11. This is my first calligraphy conference, what hints do you have?**

I am a newer calligrapher, how do I choose a class without getting in over my head?

Classes will be categorized as suitable for all, intermediate, or

advanced. Instructors have provided information as to what experience a student should have in order to succeed in their class. It is up to the individual to determine if they meet the required skill level. Mary Ann David at [Fivft@aol.com](mailto:Fivft@aol.com) is happy to assist those needing skill level/instructor recommendations.

There will be a “newbies” get together on Saturday before dinner. We’ll gather outside Roche Commons Dining Hall to meet other newcomers, have an overview of the week, and answer everyone’s questions.

**12. May I reserve a space to stay on campus before or after the conference?**

We will have a limited number of rooms available for arrival beginning July 22<sup>nd</sup>, prior to the beginning of the conference. There will not be rooms available after the conference ends on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**13. My spouse/partner/friend would like to join me, is there room?**

Yes. This person should register as a non-participating family member/friend. The cost will include housing, meals, evening events, exhibits and on-campus activities.

**14. Can I purchase tickets to attend the evening programs? I am not able to attend the conference.**

Yes, evening program tickets will be available for sale at the Odyssey office.

**15. Can I sign up to attend one day at the conference?**

You will be able to view the exhibits, shop at the vendors and buy tickets for the evening programs and meals. There will not be any one-day classes or mini workshops available.