

Destination: Grand Canyon 2017

Instructor: Mitch Baird

○ Location:

- South Rim, Grand Canyon National Park AZ
- Download [Grand Canyon Trip Planner Publication](#) for helpful info about the park.

○ Airports:

- Flagstaff AZ.....1.5 hour drive to Grand Canyon Village
- Phoenix AZ.....3.5 hour drive to Grand Canyon Village
- Las Vegas NV.....4.25 hour drive to Grand Canyon Village
- Los Angeles CA.....7.25 hour drive to Grand Canyon Village
- [Public transportation options can be found here](#)

○ Arrival/Departure:

- Registered students may enter the park for free; Have the *Pre-Class letter* printed out to show at the gate.
- **Orientation** will be held at the community building Monday morning at 8am. **Attendance is essential!**
- If you are staying at the Yavapai Lodge, plan to arrive on Sunday, September 17th after 4:00pm. Plan to depart on Saturday, September 23rd. Check out is by 11am.
- If you are camping, camp ground check in on Sunday, September 17th is between 12:00pm and 5pm. Check out is at 11:am on Saturday, September 23rd.

○ Lodging:

- Rooms are reserved at Yavapai Lodge at the South Rim for registered students, September 17th-23rd for \$148.81 / night plus tax for up to 2 people. This block of rooms will be released to the general public 35 days prior to the start of the workshop, **so reservations must be made *no later than August 12th***. A lodge reservation form will be emailed to registered students.
- No-cost campsites are also available at Mather campground for registered students, suitable for tents only; **reservations must be made *21 days prior to start of the workshop, or by August 27th***. Information on reserving a campsite for this workshop will be emailed to all registered students. [Here's a list of places that provide rental camping equipment](#)... reserve items previous to arrival.

○ Sustenance:

- Click [here](#) to see your dining options at the Grand Canyon.

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- Depending on where you are coming from, you can stop in a large neighboring towns like Flagstaff to pick up some food/snacks before you get here for the week.
- **Bring a refillable water bottle.** There are filling stations; you will need to be drinking a lot more water than you are used to, and [the park does not sell throwaway plastic water bottles!](#)

- **Transportation:**
 - Vehicle Required... Although there is a bus in Grand Canyon it does not stop at all the painting locations!

- **Supplies:**
 - Recommended supply list for this workshop can be found here on Scottsdale Artists' School's website.
 - You can ship your supplies to the Grand Canyon, if you choose to do so please include your Full Name and "Plein Air Painting" along the sides of the box. This allows the staff to know what it is for and how to properly store your supplies. The label on the front should say:

"Field Institute"
Plein Air Painting
Grand Canyon Association
2-B Albright Ave
Grand Canyon, AZ 86023
 - If you don't want to ship your supplies and need to purchase odorless turp, it can be purchased in Flagstaff at [Visible Difference](#). FYI, they are closed Sundays and Saturday hours are 10am to 2pm but you can call them previous to your arrival and they will work with you!

- **Risk:**
 - This workshop is offered in partnership with Grand Canyon Association Field Institute (GCAFI). All GCAFI students are required to sign an "Assumption of Risk" form which will be emailed to students upon registration.

- **Weather:**
 - *Typical* temperature in September will find lows in the 40s, highs in the 70s. Find current weather and forecast [here](#).

- **Rain Location:**
 - If it does rain, you will relocate into the Community Building.

- **Further Questions?** Email vhannigan@scottsdaleartschool.org