SPIDERS AND THEIR RELATIVES

The SWRS is happy to again offer its workshop on spider identification, complete with collecting trips to a range of habitats available in the Chiricahua Mountains of southeastern Arizona.

WHERE AND WHEN:

Southwestern Research Station (SWRS) Portal, Arizona 12 to 21 JUNE 2017

PARTICIPANTS:

The Spider Workshop is targeted towards undergraduate and graduate students, postdocs, naturalists, environmental consultants and others who may be interested in gaining spider identification skills and learning about their taxonomy, ecology and behavior while exploring the habitats they occupy in the Chiricahua Mountain area of Arizona. Field trips will provide participants with specialized collecting, sampling, and observation techniques. Lab work will focus on providing detailed instruction on specimen identification, preparation, and labeling. Drs. Susan Riechert (University of Tennessee: spider behavior & ecology) and GB Edwards (newly retired Curator of Spiders at the Florida State Collection of Arthropods) will deliver the course with the much appreciated assistance of Barbara Roth. Participants will have made a small collection of preserved specimens that they may take with them on completion of the course.

FEES:

Tuition for the 9 night COURSE is \$1206 to be paid by all participants on being informed of their acceptance. Tuition covers course fees and room and board at the SWRS. The fee is payable to SWRS by credit card, certified check, or money order. Transportation costs between home and Tucson (air) or SWRS (auto) are to be borne by all participants. As participants register, we will obtain email addresses and send them out to all participants so that they can arrange carpooling to and from the station.

HOW TO APPLY:

The application form is available on the course web site: http://www.amnh.org/our-research/southwestern-research-station/education/spiders-and-their-relatives

Applicants must be 18 years or older to take this course. For logistics or information about the SWRS you can contact:

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 1 May 2017 IF ACCEPTED INTO THE COURSE, FEES ARE DUE BY 12 MAY 2017