

# DRAW CIVITA 2015

Architectural Sketching and Perspective Workshop  
at the Civita Institute in Civita di Bagnoregio, Italy  
June 26 – July 2, 2015



# DRAW CIVITA 2015 Workshop Itinerary

## PROPOSED ITINERARY—6 nights, 5 days of instruction

This workshop offers 5 full days of immersion into the world of architectural sketching. It includes instruction in the understanding and use of perspective, an introduction to watercolor, plus lots of tips and info on drawing and painting. A very small group of only 5-7 participants will provide opportunities for one-on-one learning, critiques, and hand's-on demos.

### Friday, June 26 – ARRIVAL in Civita

Arrive by 5:00pm

7:30pm, Welcome Dinner

### Saturday, June 27 – WORKSHOP DAY 1

8:30am, Group coffee

Walk to Bagnoregio for first sketches, buying groceries, and lunch

2:00-5:00pm, lecture and demo: Intro to Perspective Sketching in the Sala Grande

Dinner, as a group potluck or on your own

### Sunday, June 28 – WORKSHOP DAY 2

9:00am-12noon, Sketching Civita

12noon-2:00pm, Group lunch at Alma Civita

2:00-5:00pm, Sketching in the Piazza and Chiesa San Donato

Dinner, as a group potluck or on your own

8:00-9:00pm, review of day's sketches

### Monday, June 29– WORKSHOP DAY 3

9:00am-12noon, Intro to Watercolor

12noon-2:00pm, Lunch on your own, riposo (rest)

2:00-5:00pm, Watercolor demos and practice

Dinner, as a group potluck or on your own

8:00-9:00pm, review of day's sketches

### Tuesday, June 30 – WORKSHOP DAY 4

9:00am-12noon, Sketch in Civita or Lubriano

12noon-2:00pm, Lunch, on your own, riposo

2:00-5:00pm, Sketch in Civita

Dinner, as a group potluck or on your own

8:00-9:00pm, review of day's sketches

### Wednesday, July 1– WORKSHOP DAY 5

9:00am-12noon, Quick sketches around Civita

12noon-2:00pm, Lunch on your own, riposo (rest)

2:00-5:00pm, Sketch Civita

5:00 Final review of sketches, wine and cheese

7:00pm, Arrivederci Dinner at Alma Civita

### Thursday, July 2 – DEPARTURE, Arrivederci!

Farewell coffee in Giardino.

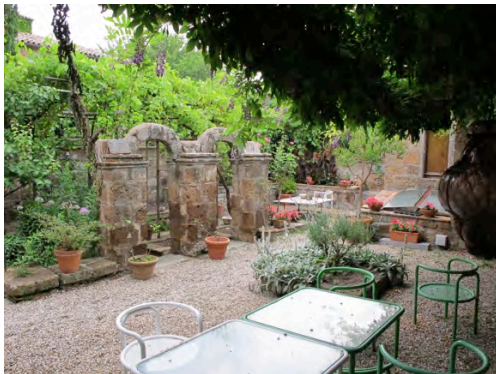
Walk to Civita bus, transfer to Orvieto bus, train. Or stay a few extra nights in Civita!

## DRAW CIVITA 2015 Workshop Lodging

DRAW CIVITA utilizes The Civita Institute's beautifully renovated, rustic stone apartments, garden, and library for 5 full days and 6 nights. The workshop and lodging are paid separately, with lodging paid as a contribution directly to The Civita Institute\*, a Seattle, WA based non-profit with an architecture, arts, and education focus. This contribution includes a one-year membership in the organization.

Three apartments are available for workshop participants and guests: (1--Il Nuovo, 2--Lo Studio, and 3--Ruderino, descriptions follow). All apartments are fully furnished with full kitchen, bathroom, linens, etc. Washing facilities and wifi are included. As part of the workshop, apartments will be stocked with grocery basics like coffee, milk, sugar, olive oil, eggs, and bread. Additional groceries can be purchased Monday-Saturday in Bagnoregio but must be carried back to Civita. Civita has several wonderful restaurants that serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner and are reasonably priced. We will also likely do potluck meals in the garden!

Apartments are reserved on a first come-first served basis, so contact Stephanie ASAP to reserve space!



Garden for group breakfasts and dinners.



The Sala Grande—where we will meet and work indoors.



Dinner in the Etruscan cave at Alma Civita.



Lo Studio to the left, Il Nuovo and Ruderino up the stairs.

The Civita Institute\* operates under NIAUSI (the Northwest Institute for Architecture and Urban Studies in Italy) and is a US 501.c.3 non-profit organization.



## 1-- Il Nuovo -- \$130 (106 euros) /night for 2 people—ideal for a couple or family

Il Nuovo is a beautiful, spacious, two-story modern apartment on the second and third floors. It is fully furnished, has a full kitchen with large dining table and fireplace, and upstairs bathroom. The apartment bedroom and bathroom are upstairs and accommodate 1-4 people. For over 2 people, there is an additional charge of \$10/night/person.

A Welcome Basket with grocery basics, Wi-Fi, and laundry facilities are included. Apartments have no air-conditioning, but the thick, stone walls remain cool, fans are available, and there are plenty of windows to catch valley breezes.



Beautiful modern kitchen and large table. Desk and shared entry beyond.



Two levels in Nuovo.



Upstairs bedroom can sleep 1-4.



Upstairs bathroom w/washer.



View to valley from upstairs window.

**2 -- Lo Studio -- \$162 (132 euros) /night—ideal for sharing with other travelers  
(4 people at \$242.50/person for 6 nights or only \$41/person/night.)**

A 2-story, fully-furnished apartment with kitchen, living room/studio space with fireplace and drawing tables, and a small terrace with a view to the landscape. It can sleep 1-4 people upstairs in four twin beds. Includes a Welcome Basket with grocery basics, Wi-Fi, and laundry facilities. Apartments have no air-conditioning, but the thick, stone walls remain cool, fans are available, and there are plenty of windows to catch valley breezes.

If you are willing to share lodging with other people, this apartment may be used for several guests in order to share space and reduce lodging costs. Let Stephanie know if you are interested in sharing Lo Studio with other workshop participants.



Upstairs Bedroom accommodates up to 5 people.



View from window.



Ground floor Living Room/Studio work space.



Ground floor kitchen.



### 3— Il Ruderino – \$105 (86 euros)/night—ideal for a solo traveler or couple

A cozy one-room studio apartment located on the second floor. It is fully furnished with a kitchen, bathroom, and eating nook. The apartment sleeps 1-2 and has two twin beds and a sleeping loft. Includes a Welcome Basket with grocery basics, Wi-Fi, and laundry facilities.

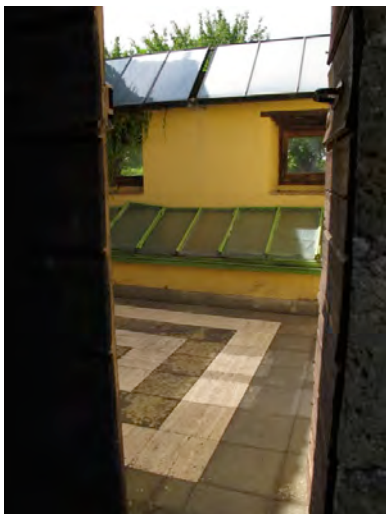
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Ruderino kitchen and loft above.



Two joined twin beds in studio apartment.



Courtyard entry to Ruderino.



View from top of stairs at Il Ruderino and Nuovo.

# DRAW CIVITA 2015 Workshop and Lodging Costs

**Workshop and Lodging costs are paid separately.**

**Costs: WORKSHOP, paid directly to Instructor.**

Cost for the DRAW CIVITA 2015 workshop is \$825/person if deposit is received by March 1. Workshop cost increases to \$875 if deposit is received after March 1.

Workshop payment includes:

- 5 full intensive days of immersion instruction, demos, one-on-one critiques
- Very small group instruction, only 5-7 participants
- Two dinners at Alma Civita's elegant restaurant
- Welcome Basket with grocery basics for your apartment, including coffee, tea, sugar, milk, bread, cheese, eggs, olive oil
- Free Wi-Fi
- Free laundry facilities (washing machines, air dry, soap provided)

You are responsible for:

- Transportation to Italy and to Civita (detailed instructions on traveling by train from Rome to Orvieto, bus, taxi, will be provided.) Travel light!
- Most breakfasts, lunches, and dinners. This is also a chance to relax or explore on your own! You can utilize the kitchen in your apartment or eat at the several excellent and reasonably priced restaurants in Civita. Groceries can be purchased in Bagnoregio and carried back to Civita, or you can order groceries and have them delivered the next day—an order form will be available. Group potluck breakfast and dinners are fun too.
- Sketching supplies (a list will be provided to participants in April.)
- Because Civita is only accessible by foot, you'll need to be in pretty good physical shape to get you and your luggage up the bridge to Civita and back/forth to Bagnoregio.

Cost for accompanying guests who do not participate in the workshop but join the group for meals and events is \$300 (245 euros)/person.

**Costs: LODGING, Paid directly to The Civita Institute non-profit as a contribution.**

First come, first served, so reserve fast! You can select which apartment you like if it is available.

Contribution for lodging is made by PayPal online or check to "The Civita Institute" (paid in full and mailed to instructor Stephanie Bower by May 1).

If all The Civita Institute apartments are filled, contact Stephanie for other lodging options in town.

Total prices for workshop lodging are:

- Il Nuovo – accommodates 2-4 guests, 6 nights, total \$780 (635 euros) for 2 guests. (Additional guests are \$10/person/night).
- Lo Studio – accommodates 4 guests, 6 nights, total \$970 (790 euros). This is a great space to share as a group. For 4 sharing, cost per person is only \$242.50 (198 euros) for 6 nights.
- Il Ruderino – 1-2 guests, 6 nights, total \$630 (512 euros)

**Payment Deadlines -- Reserve a spot ASAP! Space is limited!**

**\*\*March 1, 2015 -- \$275 (225 euros) deposit is due for workshop, by check to "Stephanie Bower" or PayPal online. After March 1, workshop cost increases to \$875 (710 euros).**

**\*\*May 1, 2015 -- remaining \$550 (or \$600) to "Stephanie Bower" + contribution to "The Civita Institute" for 6 nights lodging is due.**

In the event the workshop is cancelled, all deposits and payments will be returned in full.

## DRAW CIVITA 2015 Additional Information

### Getting There

Civita di Bagnoregio is approximately 60 miles north of Rome in the state of Lazio. It's a great opportunity to coordinate this workshop with other travel in Italy!

For planning purposes, to get to Civita directly, fly into Rome, take the train to Orvieto, then the regional bus or a taxi to the Civita bridge. Detailed instructions on how to get to Civita will be sent to all participants.

All participants must carry medical insurance that covers them in case of accident or hospitalization in Italy.

Be prepared for some pretty strenuous walking. Travel very light, bring comfortable walking shoes, as you'll be hauling luggage everywhere on your travels including up Civita's steep pedestrian bridge. It will be warm in June, so you won't need a lot of clothing. Bring insect repellent, sunscreen, and ear plugs.

Cash Machines to withdraw euros are available in Bagnoregio. Saturday morning, we'll walk into Bagnoregio for orientation and to buy groceries for the week.

Contact Stephanie at [stbower@comcast.net](mailto:stbower@comcast.net) for additional information or questions.

## DRAW CIVITA 2015 Instructor



**Instructor, Stephanie Bower at the 2014 USk Symposium Paraty, Brazil**

Stephanie brings over 25 years of experience in architecture (licensed architect in New York), architectural illustration, and college-level teaching to DRAW CIVITA 2015. She is an experienced and popular drawing instructor, having taught architectural sketching for 10 years at Parson's School of Design in NYC, with Frank Ching at the University of Washington, and since 1998 at Cornish College of the Arts in Seattle.

In 2013, Stephanie was awarded the prestigious Gabriel Prize, an architecture fellowship to draw and paint for three months in France. She is also a blog correspondent for Seattle Urban Sketchers, a signature member of the Northwest Watercolor Society, and winner of the 2012 and 2013 KRob international architectural delineation competition for Best Travel Sketch.

In 2014, Stephanie was honored with The Civita Institute/NIAUSI's Astra Zarina Fellowship and lived in Civita for 2 months to create an illustrated walking guide to this amazing hill town. Following Italy, Stephanie traveled to Paraty, Brazil to teach workshops at the 2014 Urban Sketchers International Symposium.

DRAW CIVITA offers a rare, small group opportunity to be immersed in architectural sketching and watercolor, inspired by Civita's extraordinary setting and the beauty of Italy! See you in Italy!