

LIVE - Guided Hike for Six **with Craig Romano on** **Cypress or Vendovi Island!**

Travel aboard Island Express, the fastest water transportation in the San Juan Islands, to wild and beautiful Cypress or Vendovi Island.

Walk pristine beaches, visit wild-flower meadows and old-growth forest groves, and hike coastal bluffs.

Learn about the history of the island with local award-winning guidebook author, photographer, and Northwest trails expert Craig Romano.

Enjoy a picnic lunch from Gere-A-Deli. Take home a signed copy of Craig's book, "Day Hiking: The San Juans and Gulf Islands."



Donors: Craig Romano, Island Express, Gere-a-Deli

Hike is good for a mutually agreeable date to be arranged in advance between June and October 2024 and is subject to availability, weather, and tide conditions.



LIVE - Winners Choice - Boat trip for six to a private island!



You and up to five of your friends will join Warren and Linda Walz aboard their 35' trawler Echo II on a trip of your choice to one of three of the most wild and scenic islands in the San Juan archipelago!

Choose from either Cypress, Vendovi or Yellow Island.

Warren and Linda are great hosts and will also treat the winning bidders to a delicious lunch on the trip!

Donors: Warren & Linda Walz

This experience is available for up to six people. Winning bidder to arrange a mutually agreeable date with the hosts for summer 2024.



LIVE - Two Nights at Guemes Island

Resort & Dinner for Four



Enjoy two nights for four people in the cabin of your choice. Access to the island is by a five-minute ferry ride from Anacortes.

During your stay, enjoy amenities including a game room, a wood fired sauna, barbecues, rowboats, wood fired saltwater hot tub, and massage therapy at the conveniently located onsite studio.

On one of the evenings, Island Chef, Karen Everett will spoil you with a customized four course dinner.

Donors: Guemes Island Resort, Mark & Kelly Linnemann, and Karen Everett

Available during the quiet season from October 1, 2024 – June 1, 2025



LIVE - One week in May 2025

Snowater Condo in Glacier



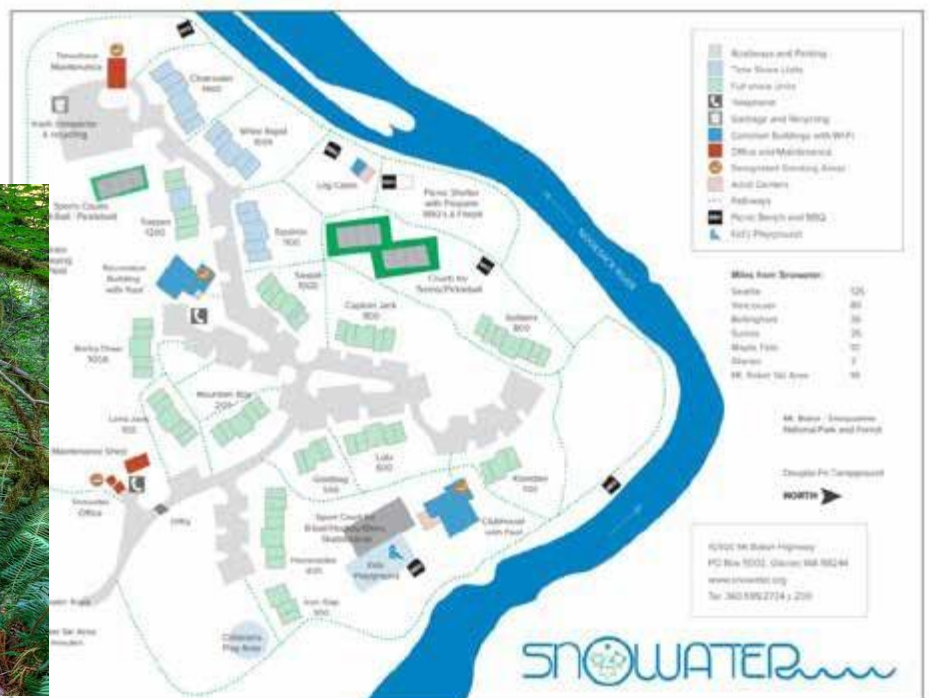
Springtime is gorgeous in the Mount Baker area! The condo sleeps a total of six, with two bedrooms, a sleeper sofa, full kitchen, two bathrooms, and a small back porch overlooking the north fork of the Nooksack.

The Snowater grounds along the Nooksack River are beautiful and feature forested walking trails, several sports courts for tennis, pickleball and basketball, a couple kids play areas, and a covered barbecue area by the river. Facilities include two pools with hot tubs, a rec room with ping pong & pool table, and an exercise room.



Donors: Kirk Johnson & Lori Nordgulen

Available for the week of May 2-9, 2025 only. Six people max. No Pets.

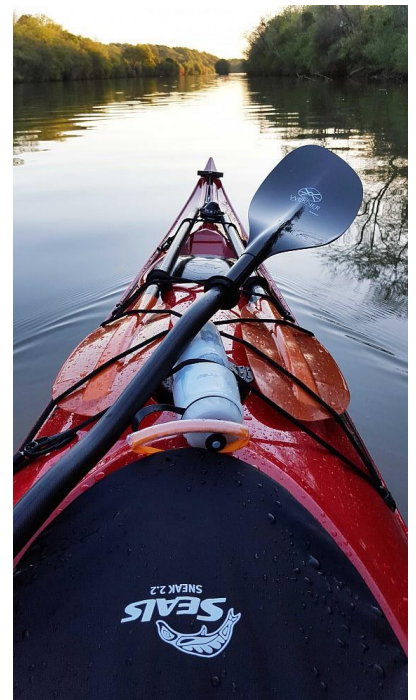


LIVE - Eddyline Denali Kayak



This gorgeous single person kayak is in nearly-new condition. Constructed of durable ABS laminate, it was designed for larger paddlers, it has a skeg for true tracking, and offers a sleek profile with abundant leg room for extra comfort on long tours. A graphite Swift brand paddle, quality neoprene spray skirt and dry bag are included.

Donor: Anonymous



LIVE - Lopez Island Getaway

Enjoy a two-night getaway for up to four people. The rustic two bedroom (1-queen bed, 2-twins), one bath guest house has a full kitchen and sits atop a bluff nestled on a remote woodsy ten-acre property on the southeast corner of Lopez Island.



Lopez is the first stop on the ferry from Anacortes and is the most rural of the three major islands, covering 29.5 square miles. The landscape blends woods with rolling farmlands and open spaces with shimmering vistas.

You can walk along the beaches and trails of the State and County Parks and other natural areas, go fishing, boating, kayaking, biking, or grab a pair of binoculars and observe the ever-present wildlife. Visit the local shops and eateries - or curl up with a good book!



Donor: George Lawson

Available for a mutually agreeable date between June and Sept 15th.



Skagit Adventure Sign-Ups

Hike with Jack Hartt

Saturday June 29, 9:30am-1:00pm

10 spaces available, \$75 each



Join Jack Hartt, author of several local interest books and retired manager of Deception Pass State Park, for an inspiring hike to Sharpe Park and Montgomery-Dubin Headlands.

The trail takes advantage of the unique features of the region, meandering through a diverse ecological landscape before opening to majestic scenery.

A canopy of trees provides a mantle of cover along the hike until reaching Sares Head, where the skies open towards vast coastal views, including the Olympic Mountain range, Rosario Strait, and the San Juan Islands.

Listen to some of Jack's fascinating stories along the way. Bring a sack lunch to enjoy at the overlook!

Donor: Jack Hartt

Skagit Adventure Sign-Ups

Guemes Island Forest, Sea & Garden Feast

Saturday July 20, 3-7pm

16 spaces available, \$120 each



Enjoy a delightful afternoon exploring protected lands on beautiful Guemes Island. The afternoon starts at the waterfront home of Birch Beaudet and David Wertheimer, located steps away from Kelly's Point Nature Preserve, where you'll be wowed by the panoramic views of the eastern San Juan Islands.

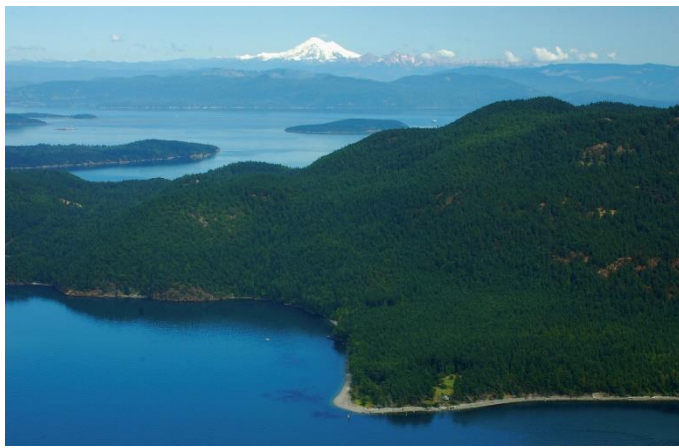


Skagit Land Trust staff will offer a brief tour of the Kelly's Point Preserve, acquired by the Trust in 2017. Birch and David will then lead a short hike through Dog Woods, a 120-acre preserve they have pledged to the Trust.

The party ends with a forest, sea and garden themed meal on their deck overlooking the water.

Donors: Birch Beaudet and David Wertheimer





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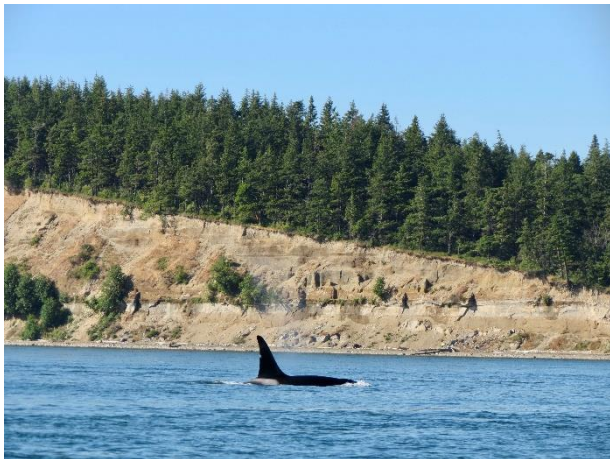
Cypress & Guemes Island Tour

Friday July 26, 3-7pm
30 spaces available, \$150 each

Have you always wanted to visit Cypress Island, see Kelly's Point from the water, or learn more about Skagit Land Trust's work on these local islands? Come relax and explore with us aboard Island Express as we set sail on a 2.5-hour boat tour.

Guests will learn about conservation efforts in the Salish Sea from Skagit Land Trust staff and board members who have worked to preserve these lands and waters for decades. The group will get the rare opportunity to land on the beach of Cypress Island, where they will be welcomed by the landowner whose family protected their property with a conservation easement in 2007.

Enjoy light refreshments on the trip and hear about how we are working to help conserve these unique and beautiful places.



Skagit Adventure Sign-Ups

**Skagit River Rafting Tour
(August date will be finalized
by May 30th)
21 spaces available, \$140 each**



Join Skagit Land Trust staff for a relaxing and informative float down the Skagit River from Marblemount to Rockport. On this raft trip, guests will have the unique opportunity to experience beautiful riverfront Conservation Areas protected by Skagit Land Trust such as Douglas Island, Skagit River – Kahn, Marblemount, and Illabot Creek.

Staff will share each property's story and the history of Skagit River conservation along the route. There will be plenty of time to relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery of this federally designated Wild & Scenic River. Based on water levels, we may also be able to stop and explore the shorelines of some of these hard-to-reach conservation areas on foot as well.



Silent Auction Preview



Anacortes Kayak Tours, tour for two - This 1.5- hour Deception Pass kayaking tour is a popular Deception Pass State Park family activity. A great way to see Washington's marine wildlife and beauty!

North Cascades Institute \$250 Certificate

Use your gift certificate on a variety of classes, base camp stays, or at the North Cascades Institute shop. NCI's mission is to inspire and empower environmental stewardship through transformative experiences in nature. They offer so many ways to experience and enjoy the mountains, rivers, forests, people and wildlife of the Pacific Northwest.



Gato Verde Sunset Sail for Two

The first wind electric hybrid charter boat on the West Coast! Providing clients of all ages and abilities with a fun and unique outdoor sailing adventure. Never crowded or noisy due to our 6-passenger limit. You are welcome to bring your own food & beverages.

Whale & Wildlife Tour for Two on Island Adventures

Enjoy an experience of a lifetime while taking in the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest aboard the finest whale-watching vessel on the entire west coast. The Island Explorer 5 features a full walk around lower deck, two upper viewing decks, great sound systems, heated cabins, galley service, two restrooms, and the best crew in the area. The calm waters near the San Juan Islands are one of the best places in the world to view wild orcas. Humpback whales, minke whales, and gray whales also call the region home.



Silent Auction Preview



Samish Island Forest to Beach Tour for 4

Explore the trails in SLT's Samish Flower Farm Forest with board members Therese Ogle and (retired forester) Mark Hitchcock. Learn what Mark looks for in evaluating a forest. Walk down a hillside road to the beach to explore Padilla Bay – maybe high tide with waves pounding the beach logs; maybe low tide with mudflats across to Anacortes. Enjoy snacks and drinks at Therese's beach cabin and have fun riding her cable car back up to the road. On the way home, stop at the Land Trust property at the entry to Samish Island to learn how high tides tore out the dike, and repairs necessary to protect access to the island. Please choose from July 20, 2024 or August 25, 2024 for your experience. Four people.

Donors: Therese Ogle, Mark Hitchcock & Eileen Andersen



Samish Island Foodie Fun

Begin your outing learning about coffee roasting at Anne Chase-Stapleton's; head nearby to Chuck & Char's to visit their apiary, learn about honey bees, mason bees and planting for pollinating gardens. We'll then visit the island's Community Garden where they grow tons of vegetables to contribute to Skagit Food banks. Wrap up the day with delicious appetizers and drinks at Sarah's unique high-bank property with spectacular views of Samish Bay. Select a date of either Aug 17 or Sept 22. (Select date by May 31st.) Up to six people.



Donors: Therese Ogle, Chuck Howell, Char Day, Anne Chase-Stapleton, Sarah Southard & Amy Wilcox



Anacortes Community Forest outing

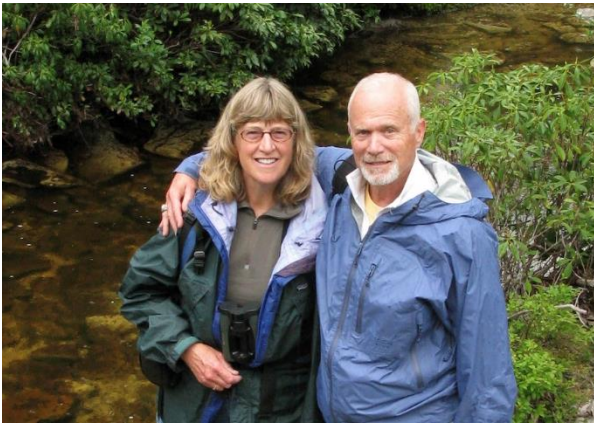


Explore the Anacortes Community Forestlands, hike around Little Cranberry Lake with Board member Therese Ogle and Lynne Jordan, board member of Friends of the ACFL and previous Development Director at Skagit Land Trust. Learn about the fascinating natural history of the 3,000-acre urban forestlands and some of the important places for wildlife around Little Cranberry Lake. Take a rest with a walk to Therese's nearby house for snacks and drinks on the deck,

overlooking Cypress Island and the state ferry. Select a date of either September 21 or October 5th. (Select date by May 31st) Up to six people.

Donors: Therese Ogle, Lynne Jordan & Jane Brandt





Birds & Bites

Have you ever wanted to learn the many languages of birds on your spring or summer walks in the woods or wetlands? Libby Mills has spent more than the last fifty years working on perfecting an understanding of the migratory birds and their shared messages.

You and up to five others can share a quiet morning listening to and looking for our birds and their nestlings either at Libby and Rusty's

forested wetland known as Wren Ridge, or in another area of your choice, in Skagit county. It's a slow easy walk, often a "stand", so we will provide some morning snacks to keep your strength up!

Donors: Libby Mills & Rusty Kuntze
Available for a mutually agreeable date in 2024



Even More Silent Auction Items to explore at the Lands We Love Social

- Oyster dinner basket
- Tea treasure chest
- \$100 certificate with treats for the Stone Cottage
- Watercolor print of Kelly's Point by Elizabeth Ockwell
- Spanish Paella Feast Basket
- Bow Sanctuary; T-shirt, Tote Bag & \$50 Gift Card
- Wiggins Nursery \$150 Certificate
- Two Nights for two at a Fir Island Loft
- Rustic Bread Baking Lesson for Three
- Christianson's Nursery Gift Card