# Linda Ann Vorobik, PhD: Botanist, Illustrator, Educator

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Dr. Linda Ann Vorobik is a Research Associate at the University Herbarium, University of California, Berkeley, and at the Herbarium, University of Washington, Seattle. She specializes in botanical illustration and plant systematics. She is the principal illustrator for botanical publications including *Flora North America Volume 25* (Grasses), *The Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California, The Jepson Desert Manual, A Flora of San Nicolas Island* and *A Flora of Santa Cruz Island*. Linda cherishes all three west coast states as home: she holds a PhD from the University of Oregon, Eugene, conducts field research and teaches in the Siskiyou Mountains of southwestern Oregon, is writing a book on the flora of the Sierra Nevada, California, and lives at her family home on Lopez Island, Washington. She was editor of *Fremontia*, the journal of the California Native Plant Society from 2000-2006; she conducts research on the genus *Arabis* (rock cress, Brassicaceae; ITS analysis to determine taxonomic relationships between species in the *A. macdonaldiana* group).

As well as executing precise and accurate botanical illustrations for books and journals, Linda sells her color work as originals, prints, and cards, and teaches botany and botanical illustration workshops. For more information, see <a href="https://www.VorobikBotanicalArt.com">www.VorobikBotanicalArt.com</a>.

#### Education

B.A., Biology with Math Minor, Magna Cum Laude. 1977. Western Washington University, Bellingham Ph.D., Biology. 1985. University of Oregon, Eugene. Dissertation: Hybridization and reproductive isolation between sympatric *Arabis* (Cruciferae) in southwestern Oregon

#### **Awards & Honors**

Stanley Smith Award: Sierra Nevada Plants Project, 1999, 2000
Homeland Grant: Sierra Nevada Plants Project, 1999, 2000
Lawrence Heckard Award, Sierra Nevada Plants Project, 1998, 1999, 2000
Lawrence Heckard Award, Arabis (rock cress, Mustard Family) research, 1998, 2002
Hunt Institute of Carnegie Mellon University: Inclusion in 1995 Botanical Art Catalog Jean Davis Memorial Award, Native Plant Society of Oregon, 1983
Biology Department Grant, University of Oregon, 1979

### **Courses Taught**

Introduction to California Plant Life (7 summer sessions, 1993-1999), Genetics, Principles of Biology, General Biology, Natural History of Oregon: Birds & Species Concepts, Vascular Plants of N. American Deserts, Ecology of N. American Deserts, Vertebrates of N. American Deserts, Invertebrates of N. American Deserts, Natural Science Illustration, Botanical Illustration, Systematic Botany, Introduction to Ecology, Field Botany. Courses taught at University of Washington (Seattle), University of Oregon (Eugene), University of California (Berkeley), Southern Oregon University (Ashland) and at field stations and botanical gardens including San Juan Nature Institute (Friday Harbor, WA), Lake Wilderness Arboretum (Maple Valley, WA), Berry Botanic Garden (Portland, OR), Mount Pisgah Arboretum (Eugene, OR), Sitka Center for Art and Ecology (Newport, OR), Siskiyou Field Institute (Selma, OR), Jepson Public Programs (UC, Berkeley, CA), East Bay Regional Parks Botanic Garden (Berkeley, CA), Santa Barbara Botanic Garden (Santa Barbara, CA), and Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (Claremont, CA).

#### **Selected Book Projects - in progress**

Principal Illustrator for the extensively revised second edition of *The Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California*, edited by B. Baldwin.

Author and illustrator for *Sierra Nevada Plants: Wildflowers to Trees*, Jepson Herbarium, University of California, Berkeley, CA.

Illustrator for A Flora of Santa Catalina Island. Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara

## **Selected Book Projects**

Illustrator for A Flora of Santa Cruz Island, by S. Junak et al.

Illustrator for A Flora of San Nicolas Island. Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara

Principal Illustrator for Jepson Manual: Higher Plants of California, edited by J. Hickman.

Principal Illustrator for Jepson Desert Manual, University of California, Berkeley, CA.

Principal Illustrator for *Grass Volume (25), Flora North America*, Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, MO.

Illustrator for *Mountain Plants of the Pacific Northwest*, by R. J. Taylor and G. W. Douglas. Illustrator for *Morphology and Evolution of Vascular Plants*, by E. M. Gifford and A. S. Foster.

#### **Other Botanical Illustrations:**

Dr. Vorobik has had hundreds of full plate plant illustrations published in numerous scientific journals, including over one hundred illustrations to accompany descriptions of new species (*Viguiera vorobikae*!), subspecies, and varieties.

#### Editor:

Fremontia, Journal of the California Native Plant Society (2000 to 2006) Kalmiopsis, Journal of the Oregon Native Plant Society (1998 to 2000)

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