13th Annual Connecticut

## **Darwin Day Celebration**

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## The Nature of Reproducing Nature: From Drawing to Naming to Mimicry – James Prosek

How are we to understand the evolution of artistic expression and language? What is communicated in the reproduction of the natural world?

**James Prosek**, internationally acclaimed artist, writer, naturalist, and conservationist, will explore some of these ideas and questions at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Connecticut Darwin Day Celebration.

Prosek is a unique visual artist, who is attempting to build bridges with the worlds of natural science and the arts. His art has been shown in galleries and museums around the U.S. and world, including The Royal Academy of Arts in London and the National Academy of Sciences in D.C. In autumn of 2012, Prosek was awarded the Gold Medal for Distinction in Natural History Art from the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia.

His 2021 exhibition at Yale University Art Gallery titled *Art, Artifact, Artifice* is a collaboration with the Peabody Museum of Natural History at Yale, where he is a curatorial affiliate as well as on the board (Leadership Council). His latest book is the catalogue for *Art, Artifact, Artifice* published by Yale University Press and has the same title.

"I think, therefore I draw. I draw, therefore I think."

Making Sense of the Natural World through Art

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