

Celebrate Wildflowers Coloring Book



hepatica



columbine



black-eyed susan

USDA Forest Service Eastern Region
Botany Program

A spectacular array of native plants grace the landscapes of our nation. Together, these plants form diverse communities and ecosystems that directly support our economic prosperity and quality of life. No matter how small, all plants play a valuable role in our lives:

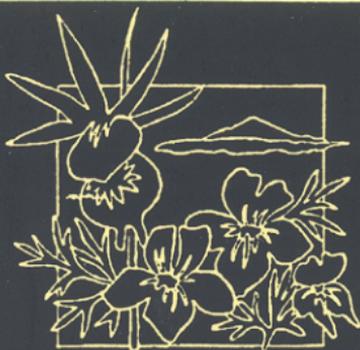
Ecological Values: Native plants convert the sun's energy into food; thus they are the source of all food to the animal kingdom. Plants cycle and clean fresh water upon which terrestrial animals depend, and ensure soil stability for ecosystems. We depend on plants to provide the oxygen that all living organisms require.

Economic Values: Plants are sources of genetic and raw materials that are used to expand or diversify agricultural and industrial products, including foods and medicine. Native plants provide a storehouse of genetic diversity for future exploration, discovery, and use, to meet human needs.

Aesthetic Values: The beauty of wildflowers is just one of the many aesthetic values of native plants. The presence of plants in their native habitats and in cultivation enhances our world in many ways. Native plant communities and natural areas provide opportunities for people to experience nature. (Plant Conservation Alliance, 1995)

Native wildflowers grace the wide range of ecosystems found in the eastern Region of the Forest Service. From the boreal forests of the Lake States to the alpine flora in the White Mountains of New England to the hardwood forests and restored prairies in the Midwest, there are sixteen great places for you to celebrate wildflowers.

Stop by your nearest National Forest office, or visit the Eastern Region Botany website at: http://www.fs.fed.us/r9/wildlife/plants_botany/index.shtml to learn about wildflower events and programs.



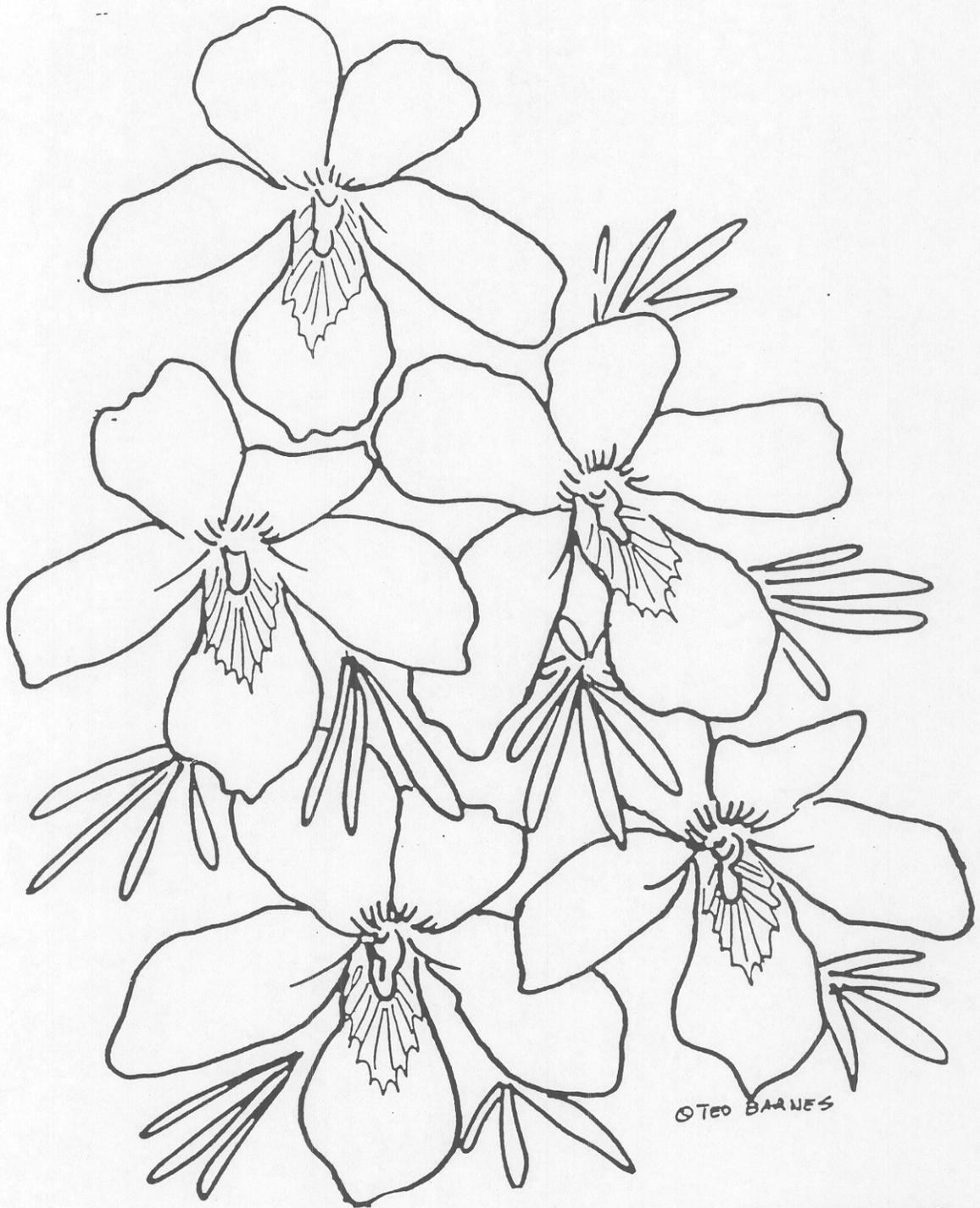
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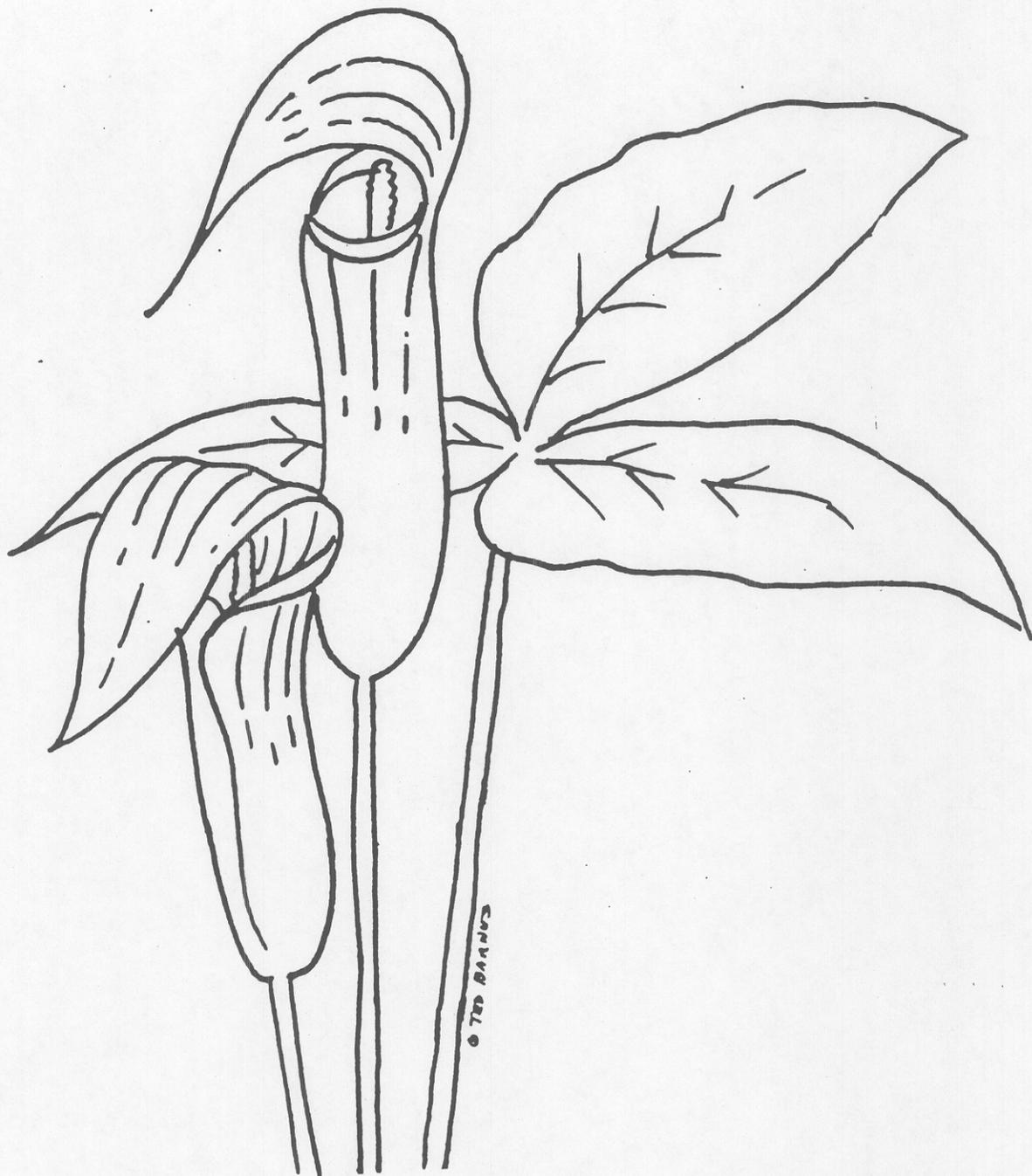
Sisyrinchium angustifolium
Blue-eyed Grass



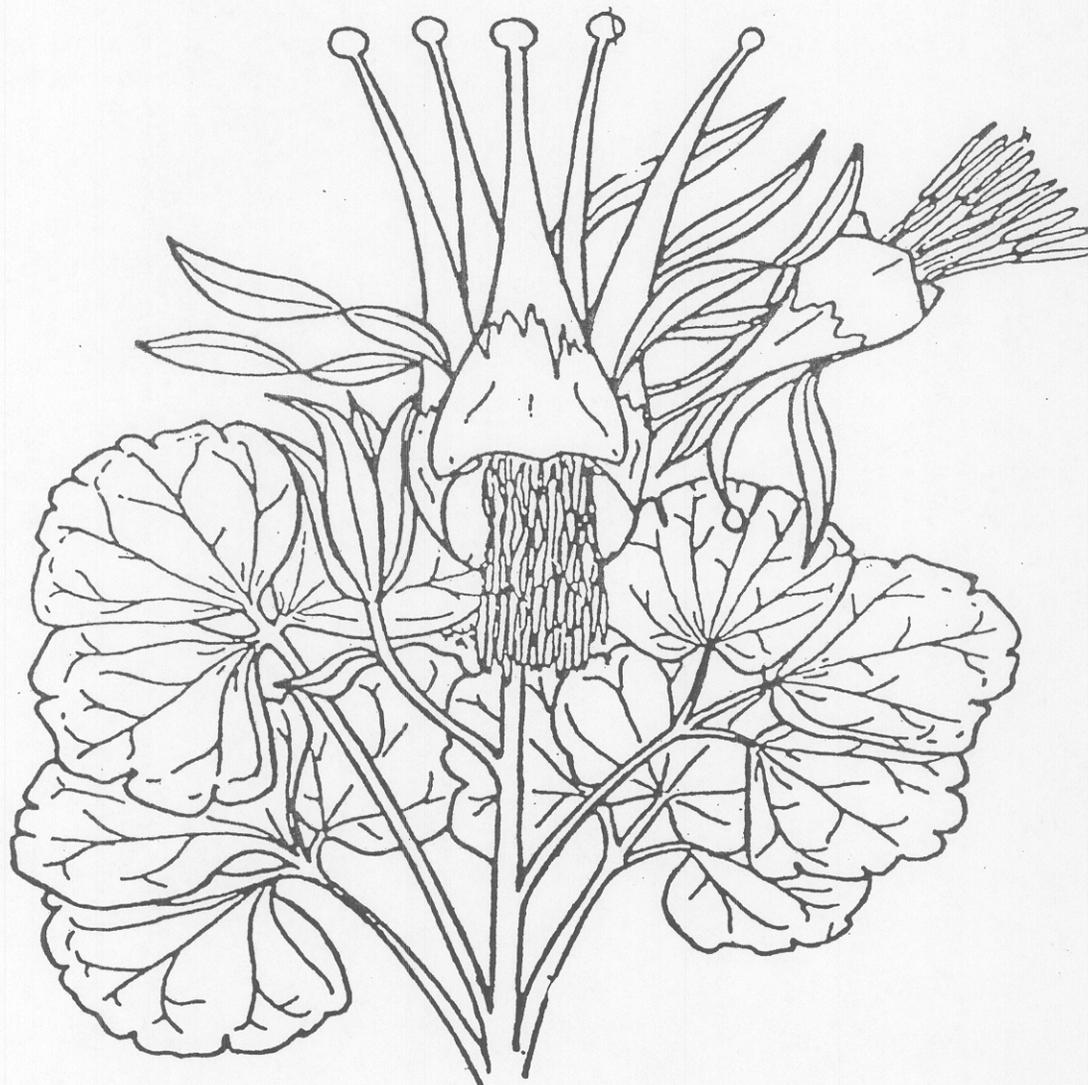
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Viola pedata



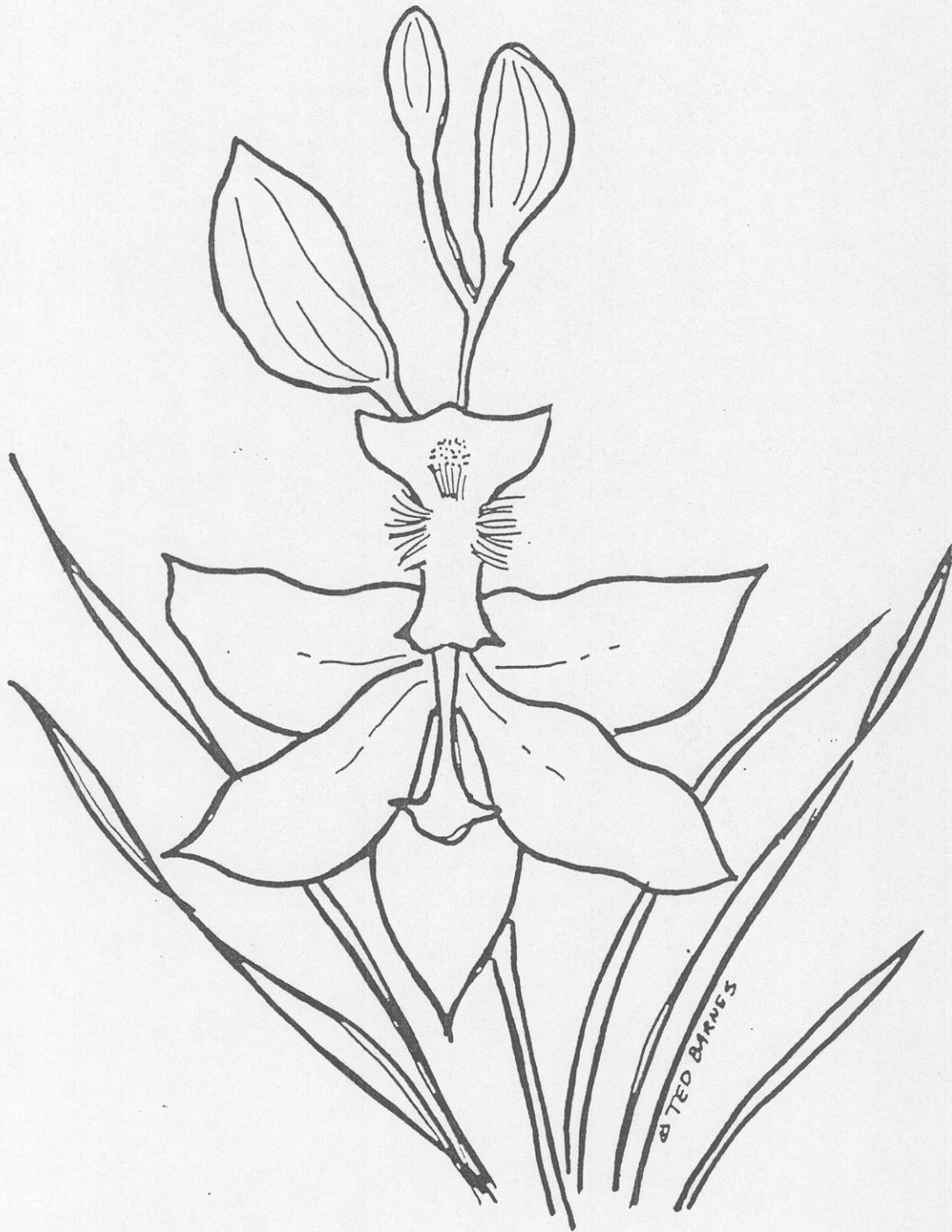
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Achillea millefolium



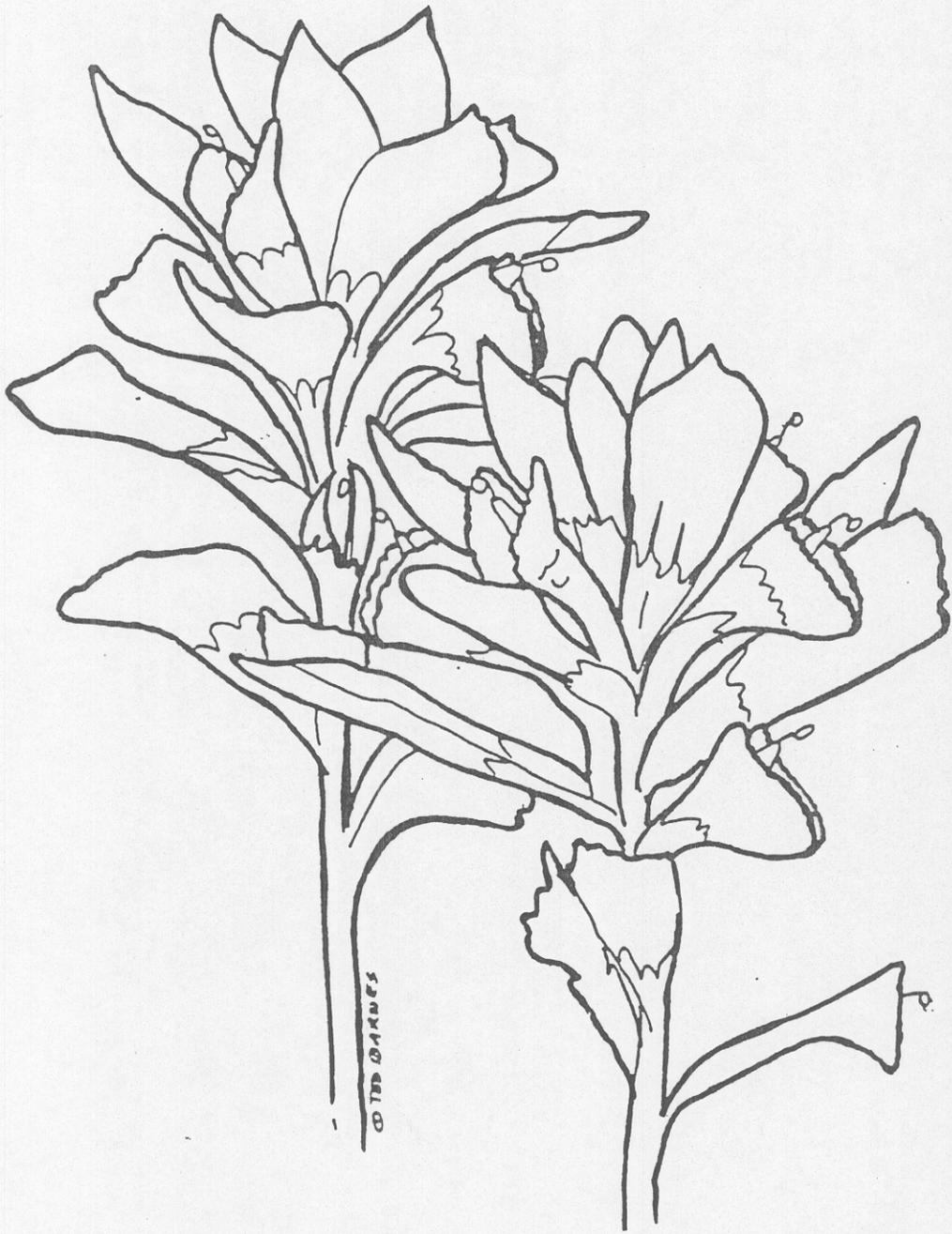
JACK-IN-THE-PULPIT
Arisaema atrorubens



Wild Columbine
Aquilegia canadensis



GRASS PINK
Calopogon pulchellus



INDIAN PAINTBRUSH

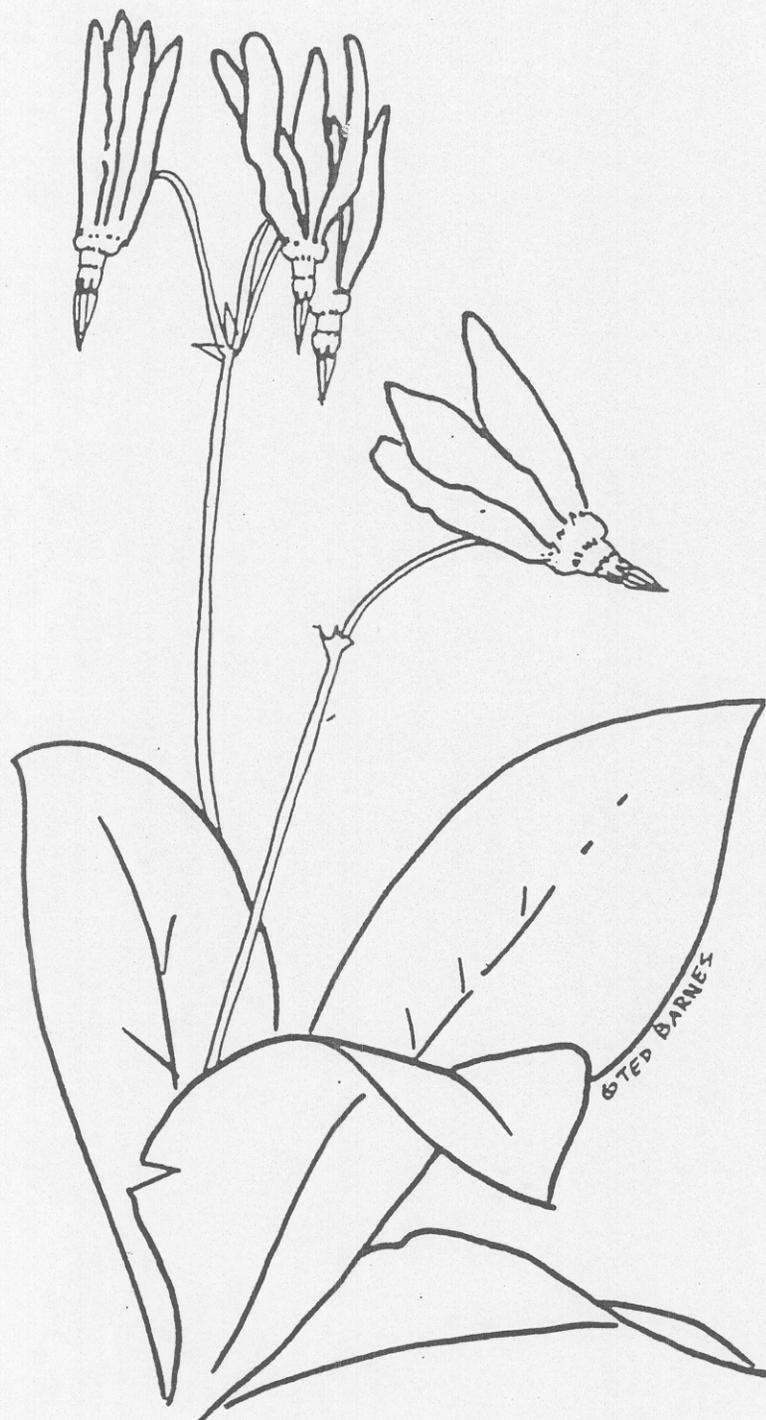
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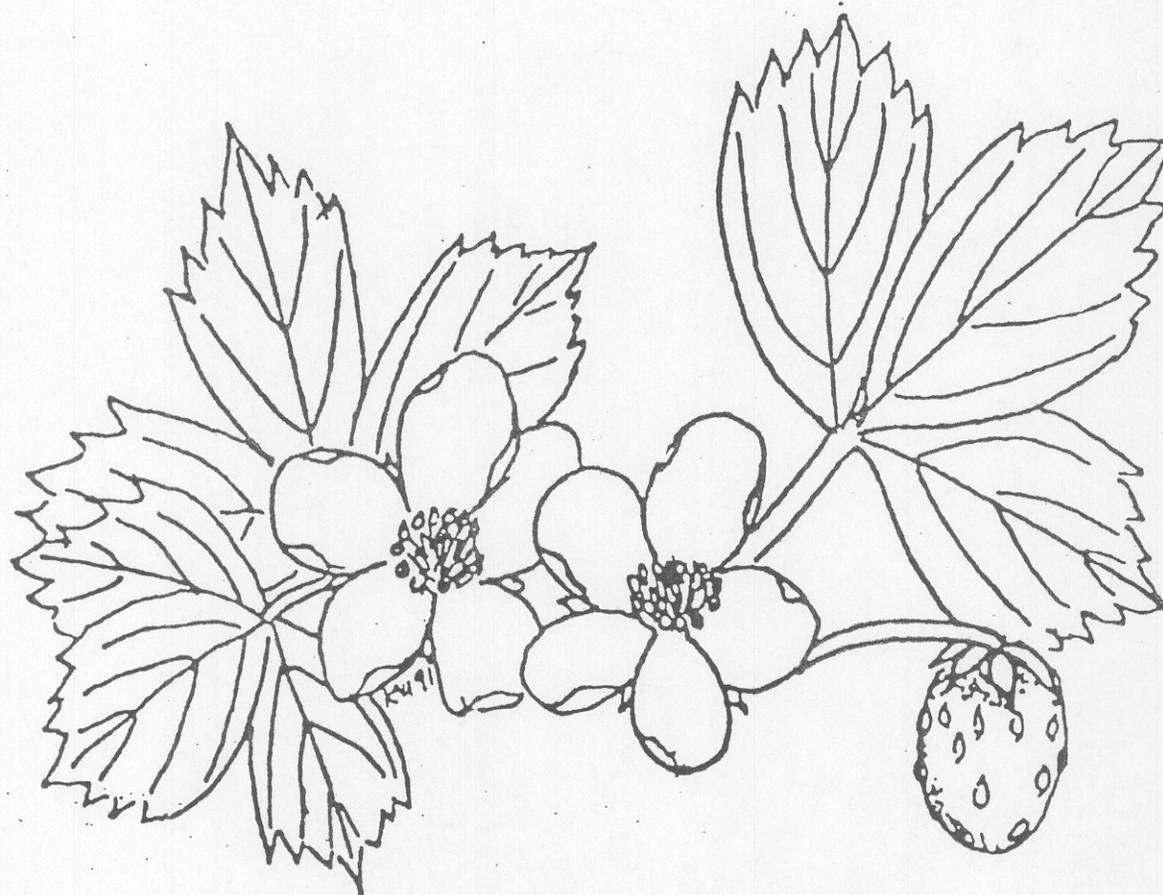
DUTCHMAN'S BREECHES
Dicentra cucullaria



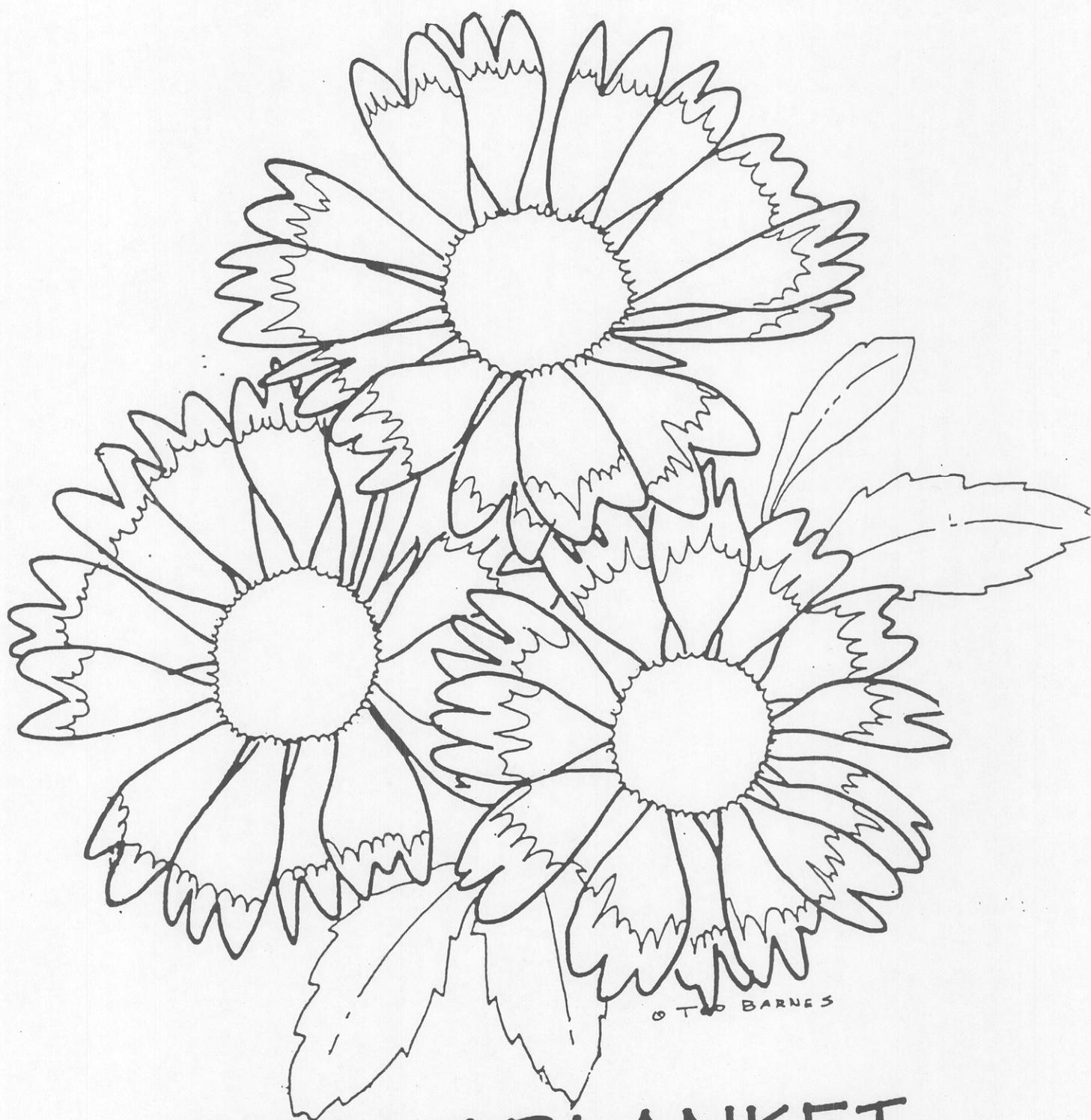
PURPLE CONEFLOWER
Echinacea purpurea



SHOOTING STAR
Dodecatheon meadia



Wild Strawberry
Fragaria canadensis



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INDIAN BLANKET
Gaillardia pulchella

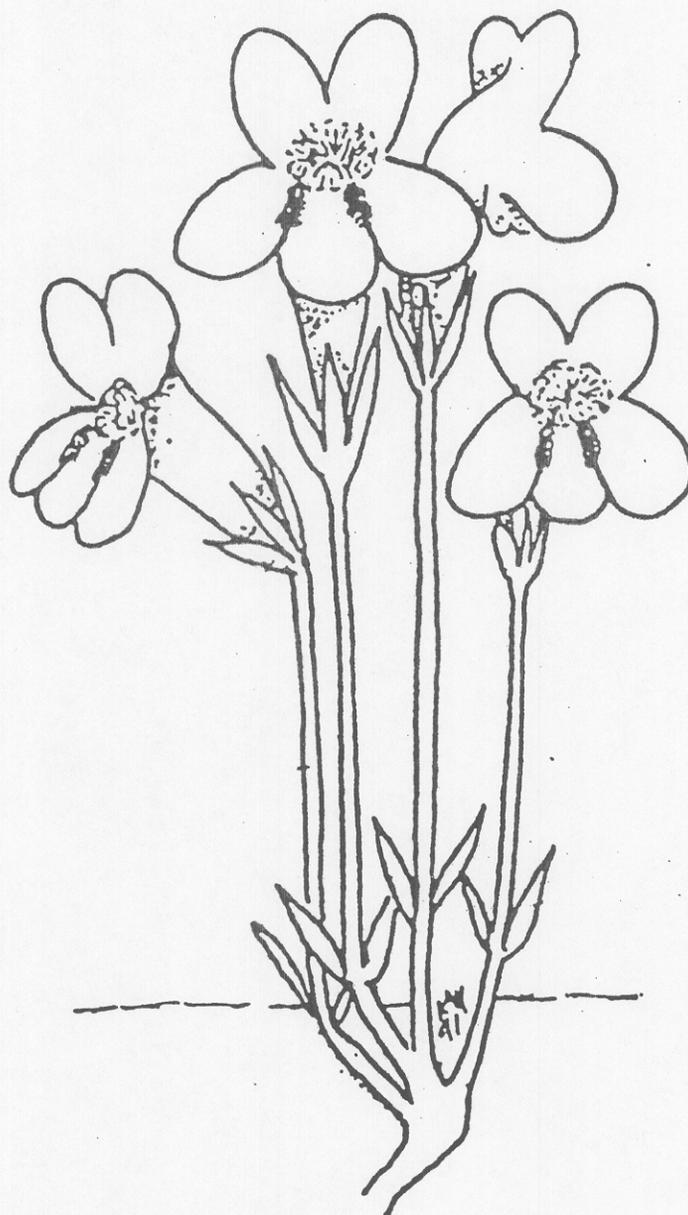


JEWEL-WEED
Impatiens capensis



CARDINAL FLOWER

Lobelia cardinalis



One-Flowered Cancer Root
Orbanche uniflora



BLACK-EYED SUSAN
Rudbeckia hirta



Large-Flowered Bellwort
Uvularia grandiflora