

Fundamentals of Woodworking Class

Beginning in May!

Learning the Essential Skills of Good Craftsmanship

Are you new to woodworking? Wondered how to get started? What tools to buy and when? If you answered yes to these questions, the Saint Louis Woodworkers Guild has the answers. A new class, which is tailored for new woodworkers, is being formed. The class will meet once a month for ten total sessions. The course will cover the essentials needed to start you on your woodworking journey. For example in *lesson one* you will learn about wood, its properties, how to select it and how to buy it. Each following lesson will build on the previous class throughout the course

Succeeding lessons will introduce you to hand tools and their proper use. Woodworking machinery and the safe use of both stationary and portable power tools. How to plan a project and purchase the materials required through finishing will be covered. Joinery techniques from mortise and tenons to hand cut dovetails will be taught.

Throughout the course, lectures will be followed by practical hands on exercises that will build your skills and provide the knowledge required to become an accomplished and safe woodworker. The course will wrap up with the construction of two projects which will challenge you and put your new knowledge into play.

Some “homework” will be required between sessions. While not required, it is highly recommended, that class members attend the Guild’s Safety Class so that they may utilize the shop between classes.

The class size will be limited so don’t put off signing up! You can pay for the class, one of two ways; either monthly, (at \$30.00 per session), or an upfront, onetime charge of \$250.00 for the total course. The cost of materials is extra and you should plan on acquiring some basic hand tools along the way.

The first class is scheduled for Sunday, May 20th and will continue on the third Sunday of each month for the next ten months

To enroll see James Payne. For questions contact Wayne Watson at workswood@earthlink.net or 314-541-3047