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NEWSLETTER

The goal of the Maine Woodworkers Association is to bring all aspects of woodworking closer to its members and to educate everyone seeking knowledge from woodworkers in Maine. Meetings are times of friendship and learning, where everyone is welcome to share ideas, camaraderie, and of course, coffee.



Work by Compass Project

Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, January 13, 7:00 pm, Compass Project, Biddeford High School, 20 Maplewood Ave, Biddeford, ME. (Exit 32 Me. Turnpike)

About Compass Project:

Since 2002, Compass Project has offered boat building and rowing programs to more than 2,000 Maine youth through collaborations with public schools, residential treatment programs, and programs for adjudicated youth. The Compass Project has worked with over 30 schools and youth agencies. Throughout our history, the Compass Project has consistently worked to serve a diverse cross section of youth including immigrant and refugee students, English Language Learners, and youth challenged by the traditional classroom. Our shop has served as a safe, alternative learning environment in which kids discover and develop life long learning skills.

Compass Project offers weekend workshops for adults and youth, organizes family boat building events, and is always looking for volunteers to help out around the shop.

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Directions: <http://compassproject.org/find-us/>

Full directions are on our website; we are tricky to find, particularly at night, so please look at the directions and bring the shop phone number with you in case you have trouble finding it.

We are based out of Biddeford High School, 20 Maplewood Ave., best accessed via the Biddeford Exit # 32. The shop is located on the Highland St. side of the school and is most easily accessed via the driveway off of Highland. There is limited parking available directly outside of the shop; additional parking is shown below. Note that the shop is part of the main High School building and is not part of the Center of Technology (Vocational School). Please come find us directly through the boatshop entrance. We welcome your visit at anytime, but if we are not expecting you, please call 207.391.6830 or email to make sure that someone is here.

2X4 Winter Classic

Who couldn't use a little healthy competition to get us through the winter months. The Maine Woodworkers Association challenges you all to summon up your creative prowess and woodworking skills and be part of the 2x4 Winter Classic. The competition will consist of woodworkers using one 2"x4"x8' piece of lumber to construct whatever your imagination and skill can conjure up. Participants can use any type of lumber, any type of adhesive, and no fasteners or metal knobs (wood knobs from your 2x4 ok) to create a piece that will be judged on creativity, functionality, and craftsmanship. There are no limitations to what you can make as long as it comes from a single piece of lumber and uses no mechanical fasteners. We will be hosting the March 16th Meeting at McIntosh and Company Cabinetmakers in Lewiston Maine where all submissions will be judged (and scrutinized) by fellow woodworkers. Beyond the all-important bragging rights, participants will be competing for some great prizes. Let's see what we can come up with!

Details:

-Any species of 2"x4"x8" lumber cut up and assembled in any way; the wood must start out as a single piece. This can be a full 2"x4" x 8' or a purchased "2x4" from a lumber store.

-Any type of adhesive; no fasteners except those made from the wood itself.

-Pieces will be judged for creativity, functionality, and craftsmanship and a winner will be crowned in each category as well as an overall winner. All attending members will act as judges.

-To participate simply email a photograph of your piece of lumber before alteration to Erik Flanagan at ef@mcintosh.com and bring your creation to the meeting.

Forward any questions to ef@mcintosh.com .

We're looking forward to see what emerges!

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