



# March, 2016

## 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 McIntosh & Co.*

## **Meeting Schedule**

Mar 16, McIntosh and Company, Lewiston, ME--Cabinetry

Apr 13, Rob Brand, Sebago Furniture, Naples, ME – Mission Furniture

May 4, Joe Seremeth, Woodlab, Portland—Furniture and Sculpture

Jun 8, Guest Speaker TBD

Jul 13, Paul Mullen, Furniture and Antique Tools

## **Current Meeting**

Wednesday, March 16, 7:00 pm, McIntosh and Company, Lewiston, ME

### **About McIntosh & Company Cabinetmakers**

Inspired by wood, the personality of each customer, and the process of collaborative design, McIntosh & Company Cabinetmakers create custom kitchens, offices, libraries and furniture allowing people to live well in their homes and making homes places to inspire generations of living. Hand-crafted elegance combines with Maine artistry to enhance the comfort and value of your home.

In addition to touring the shop and seeing what we are working on, we are excited to have professional photographer Jose Leiva talk with us about how to get the best out of photographing your woodworking projects. Jose has worked with us over the years, photographing countless pieces of furniture and cabinetry, and his insight into how a piece is presented and displayed has been invaluable.

Jose Leiva is a native of Laredo, Texas. He took his first photograph at 13 years of age and when in the United States Air Force, he spent the Vietnam years in Brindisi, Italy. He now lives Lewiston with his wife Linda. He has worked in a very diverse entities: Shell Oil, IBM, the FBI, CMMC and local newspapers, in addition to many volunteer projects. He has over 50 years of experience in commercial, journalism and personal photography. His specialty using light and his presentation will be "Putting Your Product In The Best Light."

### **Directions:**

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### **June Speaker**

Chris Becksvoort is organizing the June Speaker meeting and would like suggestions for who you would like to see. Please contact Chris at [49woodtech@gmail.com](mailto:49woodtech@gmail.com) with your vote. So far we have these ideas:

Miguel-Gomez Ibanez (fearless leader of the north Bennett Street School)  
<http://www.craftinamerica.org/artists/miguel-gomez-ibanez/>

Beth Ireland (turner and furniture maker) <http://bethireland.net/home.html>

Adrian Ferrazzutti-Teaching “Veneer without Fear at Center for Furniture Craftsmanship June 6-10 (if he is available) <http://adrianferrazzutti.com/>

Tim Rousseau—lives in Maine, teaches at the “Center”, published in various magazines <http://www.timothyrousseau.com/>

### **Competition Time Extended – More Details at Meeting**

#### **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. 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.

-Any finish

-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](mailto:ef@mcintosh.com) and bring your creation to the meeting.

Forward any questions to [ef@mcintosh.com](mailto:ef@mcintosh.com) .

We're looking forward to see what emerges!

## **Classified/News**

### **ME Expo**

We are planning to hold the Expo again this year. Last year turned out better than I expected with 700 attendees.

### **Maine Woodworking Expo 2016**

Hello, Fellow Woodworker:

As fellow woodworkers and fine furniture makers we want to tell you about a show the Guild of Maine Woodworkers and the Kennebec Valley Woodworkers Association will be sponsoring on August 27 and 28, 2016.

The show will be in Brunswick in the Fort Andross Building next to Cabot Mill Antiques.

We are keeping the cost low in order to make it affordable. The cost per booth is \$150 for an 8' x 10' space.

We are aiming to put on a high quality show and we would love to have you as a vendor. These are some of the reasons for participating.

- a. The vendors will be high quality wood artisans and furniture makers who demonstrate excellence in woodworking,
- c. We will advertise widely on radio, newspapers, flyers in public places, community TV bulletin boards, etc.,
- g. The show is organized specifically for woodworkers by woodworkers
- i. Tables are available at \$8.00.

Please call me at 207-547-3054 or respond to this email.

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