

Hudson River Maritime Museum Offers Introductory Woodworking Classes

The Wooden Boat School at Hudson River Maritime Museum is offering a series of introductory woodworking classes throughout the Spring. Participants will work on-site in the museum's wood shop to create take-home projects with the help of skilled instructors. Projects include traditional Adirondack chairs, cigar box guitars, lathe-turned pens and live-edge wood tables. Beginning in June, students can also attend an in-depth Foundations of Woodworking series that is ideal for people who are new to woodworking.

- Oval Shaker Boxes – March 7 & 14
- Dado Built Tool Box – March 13
- Wooden Tissue Box – March 27
- Cigar Box Guitar – March 28
- Pen Turning – April 17
- Half Hull Carving – April 24 & 25
- Adirondack Chair - May 15-16
- Live Edge Table – May 23
- Hand Built Wooden Plane – June 5
- Remote Control Pond Yacht - August 30-September 4

Students learn to construct a live-edge wood table during a class at Hudson River Maritime Museum's Wooden Boat School.



An Adirondack chair is constructed during a class at Hudson River Maritime Museum's Wooden Boat School.



Registration is also open for the school's Foundations of Woodworking classes. This series of five classes is an extensive introduction into working with wood as a material, the tools used, their maintenance, and safety. Students will also learn about joinery. The series is designed to be taken as a whole, however classes can be taken individually based on experience, and at the instructor's discretion. The series is taught by Wayne Ford, a master woodworker and shipwright and Bill Sterling, a luthier, woodworker and retired art teacher.

Staff and instructors are committed to keeping students safe from COVID-19. Precautions include limited class sizes, social distancing, face coverings, and practicing hand washing and sanitizing.

For details about classes and to register, visit the Wooden Boat School online at www.hrmm.org/woodworking or call 845-338-0071. People who have questions can contact John Phelan, Wooden Boat School Coordinator, at jphelan@hrmm.org.

The Hudson River Maritime Museum is located along the historic Rondout Creek in downtown Kingston, N.Y. **HRMM** is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of the maritime history of the Hudson River, its tributaries, and related industries. The Museum opened the Riverport Wooden Boat School in 2016 and the Riverport Sailing School in 2017.