

WIA 2011 Extracurricular Events

FRIDAY NIGHT

Through 17th-century Eyes with Peter Follansbee

Molly Malone's, Friday

See the world of carved chests and chairs through the eyes of Peter Follansbee, who has spent his adult life immersed in period. Peter will unlock the patterns and proportions found in the work of the period and reveal its complexity and beauty.

How to Save Woodworking – Five Views

Friday night at Hofbrau House

Our public schools have closed almost every shop class in every state. Professional cabinetshops are closing at an alarming rate because of overseas competition. The power tool business is shrinking and consolidating. And the overall woodworking demographic is getting older. Some people worry that all these worrisome trends will result in the serious decline of the craft. Can anything be done? We've found five people who have some insight into this problem and can offer up ideas and even solutions. Come find out what these leaders of the craft community have to say and be prepared to raise your own voice during a question-and-answer session after the meal.

Speakers include:

Robin Lee, Lee Valley Tools

Brian Boggs, the Boggs Collective

Chuck Bender, Acanthus Workshop

Adam Cherubini, Arts & Mysteries columnist

Chris Schwarz, editor, *Popular Woodworking Magazine*

JPEG Wars!

Friday night at Hofbrau House. Free to all WIA attendees

See some the work of your fellow woodworkers – and have your work seen! In this unique, beer-driven event, we are going to project images of the work of WIA attendees up on a giant screen and let the crowd offer praise, criticism, cheers or jeers. It's your chance to see (*anonymously*) how your work stacks up against those of other woodworkers. Attendees will be asked to submit digital photos of some of their pieces in the months before WIA (five submitters will randomly receive a \$100 gift certificate to ShopWoodworking.com). Then on Friday night, we'll project all the images we receive up on a giant screen (no names will be used), and we'll ask for lightning-paced feedback from the crowd. We'll even have a design guru on hand who will declare one design as the winner of the entire night – and that woodworker will receive a very special high-end hand tool.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Living on Handwork with Ron Herman

Molly Malone's, Saturday

Hear the life story of Housewright Ron Herman, who builds houses by hand and has managed to keep a successful joiners shop running in the modern age. Get a tour of his shop and see some of the works he has accomplished.

Annual Meeting of the Roubo Society

Roy Underhill & Don Williams

Metropolitan Club, Saturday

Roy Underhill and Don Williams host the second annual meeting of the Roubo society. Don will give an update on how the translation of this 18th-century masterwork is progressing (it's close!) and reveal some of the interesting gems of information he has unearthed, while Roy will offer his own personal view of the man Roubo.