



Spark Woodshop Class Preparation

Thank you for signing up for a class at the Spark Makerspace Woodshop. Please read the information below before attending your class. If there are any questions, please contact the Leads for the Woodshop via email at woodshop@sparkmakerspace.org.

Things to Wear: Comfortable shoes and appropriate clothes.

Students should expect to spend most of the class standing on their feet, so comfortable and supportive **closed-toe** footwear is important. Students should expect that clothing worn in the shop may end up full of shavings, sawdust, splinters, and glue. If the class includes power tool use (most do), students should avoid hanging cords, loose sleeves, or other entanglement hazards in clothing.

Coats and purses may be hung on the coat rack in the shop, but are likely to get dusty during long classes. Please plan accordingly.

Things to Bring: Drinks and a lunch

Students should bring drinks and snacks, if desired. Weekend classes over three hours generally incorporate a one hour lunch break. Spark has a refrigerator and microwave available, or students can avail themselves of a number of restaurants in downtown New London.

Other Things to Bring: Personal Protective Equipment (optional)

All classes in the woodshop will require the use of protective eyewear (ANSI Z87 rated). Ear and respiratory protection is also suggested for most classes. If you have personal equipment to meet these requirements, we encourage you to bring it. If you don't have any of this gear, don't worry - Spark will supply all the required equipment to safely complete your class.

Places to Park: On the street, or in back of the building

Street parking is usually available on State Street, but is limited to 2 hour parking between 8am and 6pm. For non-members, the street parking allows easier access to the building as only the front door has a doorbell.

There are also some parking spaces in the rear of the building. If you park in back, please ensure that you are in a Spark space and not one belonging to the church. Parking gets quite tight on Sunday mornings or when the church has an event. Non-members parking in the rear of the building should expect to knock VERY LOUDLY on the rear door in order to be let into the building.

For any further questions, please email

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Enjoy your class!