



October 2018 Newsletter

The Next Meeting

The next Guild meeting will be October 9th at 7:15 pm, Lee Valley Tools, Colwood. Remember that the store remains open for the use of Guild members so come early and do some shopping!

Our presenter will be Travis Carey an internationally known lute builder. Along with Grant Tomlinson, his teacher, and Ray Nurse, he's part of the vibrant instrument building culture of Vancouver. Who knew that Vancouver was a world centre of lute making?

The Lute Society of America used to meet in Vancouver every second year. As of last year it moved to Victoria, which means that every other year a brief course in lute building will be offered at LSA's meeting here in late August. Be aware that Travis will likely be the builder offering the course next summer.

Travis will demonstrate some of the strategies that lute builders use in their work, focusing on the construction of the body. Apart from the devices for planning and gluing, he'll share his techniques for sharpening and using scrapers, an important skill for an instrument maker.

To learn more about Travis, check out his website or blog:

www.traviscareylutes.ca

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/travlutes/>

To watch his TED talk on lutes and lute building go to:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=3&v=KFCM9ka3y4s

<http://thelutesprogress.blogspot.com/2017/03/in-which-i-open-my-mouth-and-speak.html>

Show & Tell or Ask

Starting at our October meeting, members are encouraged to bring their projects for Show & Tell and bring them for Show & Ask if you have something puzzling you and would like member feedback and input. All members that bring projects will have an opportunity to win a Lee Valley gift certificate. One drawn at each meeting.

Port Townsend Wood Show

The Vancouver Island Woodworkers Guild is organizing a tour for interested members to the 13th Annual Port Townsend Woodworkers' Show. The show features work by master woodworkers from around the Greater Olympic

Peninsula Region including furniture makers, cabinetmakers, turners, carvers and instrument makers. Show hours are 11:00 am to 8:00 pm on Saturday, November 3rd and 11:00 am to 3:00 pm on Sunday, November 4th. [Click here](#) for more information.

Please note that the **deadline for sign-up is at the October 9th Guild Meeting** so look for sign-up sheets and join the tour.

Fall 2018 Challenge

The Challenge for members this fall is to make something for the kitchen! Each maker that displays a project at the December Guild meeting will receive one ticket for the draw for a Lee Valley Gift Certificate. If the project is made out of wood from the VIWG Wood Recovery Program, the maker will receive an additional ticket for the draw. Good luck and lets make some sawdust!

Wood Recovery

The Guild members have been very busy with



two milling sessions.

Four Gary oak logs have been milled. These logs from Oak Bay provided 1347 board feet of lumber plus two large slabs. A small amount of milling remains. The logs milled on Wednesday had large limbs providing some very interesting grain. This means more wood has been added to the Guild storage for future wood sales. Many thanks to Rein Rungas, Michael Harvey and the

many members who volunteered to get the wood milled.

Sooke Makerspace

The new Sooke Makerspace is now open for use. The grand opening will be in November. For more information about the Edward Milne Community School (ECMS) Society and this project [click here](#). More information about the Makerspace can be seen [here](#)!

Regards

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