

2005 Workshop Schedule & Distinctions

Winter & Summer Workshops Begin Monday, February 28th, and August 15th 2005!

Once again, a 12 week schedule is offered with several Hands-on Log Building Workshops from 2 weeks to 12 weeks to choose from. With 6 two week, 3 four week, 2 eight week and 1 twelve week programs for Late Winter / Spring 2005!

On Monday, February 28th 2005 a two week, four week, eight week and the twelve week students begin together. At the end of the first two weeks on a Friday, another two week workshop begins the following Monday. At the end of the second 2 week workshop, the first four week workshop also ends and the following Monday another two week and four week workshop begins, and so on. This provides continuity in teaching, accommodates a broader range of needs and goals and flexible enough to fit most anyone's personal schedule. Students can see more and do more with this type of a schedule.

Twelve and eight week students move on after the initial two weeks and complete their workshop experience with a small solo log building project such as a heavy log picnic table or log truss. They also assist in skills familiarization as the new students begin - this reinforces their own abilities. All students are encouraged to learn from the perspective that they will return home and 'teach' anyone involved in their own projects. If you can not articulate what is being done and why, success is less likely. It's more fun to learn as well.

The most important distinction between the various lengths of workshops would be that in two weeks we will teach you how to build with a limited skill set - i.e., 2 types of notches as opposed to several in the longer workshops. There are perhaps 6 ways to do most all that we will be doing - but two weeks demands that time be used wisely so you can spend time on floor joists, installation methods of doors and windows and build log trusses. 8 and 12 week students will see and do a lot more and have the time they need to hone their new skills. The reasons a person may choose only a two week workshop may vary widely. Limited time available due to work or business constraints, prior construction work experience and most importantly, knowing best for themselves how they learn.

We use a practice area with logs solely for that purpose - so you will know how to set up to practice at home. We show you how to build a log picnic table in such a way as to include all that encompasses the building of a log home - from making sill logs, leveling and layout, log selection and notches. The tables can be sold at a handsome price as well and gives you a means to pay for more tools, cover costs of attending or buying logs. Some have paid off several thousands of dollars of debt to get debt-free as a part of their 3 to 5 year plan to build debt-free too!

Anyone who wants to build a log home of any type would gain very valuable skills and decision making abilities by attending our hands-on log building workshops. The costs will be returned in savings many many times over. We use a limited (required) tool list for students and have many more items at the school of log building and are constantly getting more so that students are able to use and see for themselves before getting their own. Power tools and hand tools to be sure - and we are reaching out to manufacturers for proto-types for use and promotion as well.

2005 Winter/Spring	2005 Summer/Fall
Start Dates - <u>Two Week Workshops</u>	Start Dates - <u>Two Week Workshops</u>
February 28th	August 15th, August 29th
March 14th, March 28th	September 12th, September 26th
April 11th, April 25th	October 10th, October 24th
May 9th	
<u>Four Week Workshops</u>	<u>Four Week Workshops</u>
February 28th	August 15th
March 28th	September 12th
April 25th	October 10th
<u>Eight Week Workshops</u>	<u>Eight Week Workshops</u>
February 28th	August 15th
March 28th	September 12th
<u>Twelve Week Workshop</u>	<u>Twelve Week Workshop</u>
February 28th	August 15th