

TRADITIONAL CRAFT WORKSHOPS

Try your hand. Meet the instructors - taste, touch, smell, and witness the techniques and traditions of their respective crafts. No registration required. North House members receive Special Event Pass, for free admission to presentations and workshops. \$5/presentation for non-members. Become a member today, for as little as \$25 and Get the Pass!

Fri, noon | Wood-Fired Bread Baking with the North House Staff

Crispy crusts and steaming hot dough. It's the stuff only a wood-fired masonry oven can provide. Discover the baking techniques used in a wood-fired oven and taste some of the results in this workshop set on the North House harbor – the ideal setting to inspire you to maybe build one of your own.

Fri, 1pm | Weaving on the Frame Loom with Traudi Bestler, fibers artist

Over, under, in and out: the mechanics of weaving are same no matter what type of loom is used. A simple rigid heddle frame loom can turn scraps into craft, odds and ends into artwork. Join instructor Traudi Bestler as she demonstrates how she sets up a frame loom, and try a little over, under, in and out yourself.

Fri, 2pm | Timber Carving with Jock Holman, wood-carver

A decoratively carved timber with a hand-hewn look is a classic signature of the northern home. Using gouges, chisels and other hand tools, a simple pine timber can become a striking focal point. Try your hand at creating decorative touches on a pine timber, and feel inspired to carve one for your home.

Fri, 3pm | Spin Your Fibers, Knit Your Fibers with Allen Holzheuter and Kate Hartman, knitting instructors extraordinaire

The creation of yarns begins with spinning. For hundreds of years the spinning wheel has been the essential tool for spinning. Try your hand on a few different spinning wheels. After the yarn is spun, knitting is one of crafts utilizing the yarn for creating all sorts of wearable items. Allen and Kate will have a few projects started, you're welcome to pick up the needles and they'll show you where to start.

Fri, 4pm | Birch Bark Canoe Building with Erik Simula, bark canoe builder

A bark canoe made entirely of locally harvested materials can last for years with proper care. Join canoe builder Erik Simula as he performs a bit of routine maintenance on North House's canoe. Using a mixture of spruce resin, bear grease and charcoal, Erik will re-seal the bark seams so that the craft is ready to paddle across the harbor in the boat parade on Sunday. Erik will also discuss the harvest of materials and process for building bark canoes.

Sat, 9am | Birch Bark Etching with Jarrod Stonedahl, craftsman

Birch bark-- baskets, canoes, shoes and more can all be fashioned from this versatile material. North House offers more than a dozen courses in the many uses of birch bark. Join instructor Jarrod Stonedahl as he demonstrates his particular approach to birch bark craft at North House-- basket construction and etching. Try your hand at splitting spruce root, and practice etching techniques on winter bark as Jarrod introduces you to the varied world of birch craft.

Sat, 10am | Wooden Boat Walking Tour with John Beltman, builder of classic wooden boats

Wood-canvas canoes, wooden rowing prams, skin-on-frame kayaks and umiaks, sail craft – take this walking tour of the wooden boats on display and meet the builders. Traditional work boat builder and instructor, John Beltman, leads this guided tour, introducing you to the 50 plus wooden boats in the Waterfront Wooden Boat Display.

Sat, 11am | Blacksmithing with Robert Schulz, traditional blacksmith

The clang of the hammer and the roar of the forge will ring out in the new Blacksmithing Shop as traditional blacksmith and instructor Robert Schulz loads the coal and pounds the iron. Get up close and personal with this fascinating craft, and try the tongs, anvils and hammer for yourself. Robert will have samples from his just completed class, Light Your Way Into Blacksmithing, available to see.

Sat, 1pm | Carving the Noggin—the Original Travel Mug with Jon Strom, wood carver

When the fur trade was in full swing, Lake Superior and the lakes inland from the North Shore were traditional travel routes paddled by cargo haulers of that bygone era. The voyageur's colorful lifestyle was also a lifestyle of utility and hard work, making light of the heavy loads they had to carry. The noggin, a wooden vessel, doubled as a bowl and cup - small, light and carved from the very woods in which they made their living. Join Jon as he creates the original travel mug.

Sat, 2pm | Double Warp Band Weaves: the "Meeting of the Three Tribes" with Larry Schmitt, Fiber Artist

Traditional craft can reveal much about our own forgotten past. The intricate and colorful band weaving often now found on Norwegian ski sweaters and high end active wear was once done by hand, using small looms. This weave prospered in a culturally diverse area above of the Arctic Circle called the “meeting of the three tribes” and today bears testimony to innovation and ingenuity at the periphery of our world. Join instructor Larry Schmitt for a taste of the history and technique of double warp band weaving as found in the course Woven, Decorative Bands.

A COMMUNITY OF CRAFTERS

Friday-Saturday, June 17-18

Witness skilled traditional craft artisans as they join as a community over the weekend to celebrate the process of craft. Demonstrators will be on hand Friday-Saturday, welcoming your curiosity, questions and interest.

Traditional Boatbuilding	John Beltman
Birch Bark Canoe Building	Erik Simula
The Ropework: A History of Maritime Ropemaking	Dick Enstad
Knitting	Kate Hartman
Spinning	Allen Holzhueter
Natural Plant Dyes	Karen Rognsvoog
Fiber Arts	Larry Schmitt
Weaving	Traudi Bestler
Timber Carving	Jock Holmen
Natural Rush Seat Weaving	Catherine Peters
Stone Building	David Abazs
Blacksmithing	Robert Schulz
Wood Carving	Jon Strom
Basketry	Tina Fung Holder
Wooden Bowl Turning	Jim Sannerud
Spoon Carving	Fred Livesay

GET THE PASS††

Become a North House member for \$25 and receive an event pass. The pass gets you into all speakers and workshops throughout the weekend. Family passes \$50. Otherwise \$5 for each presentation.