

Woodworking Machinery Industry Association

October 2021 Newsletter

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Dear Member,

We hope you have had a great first few weeks of fall! Keep up to date on membership renewals, IWF, Scholarships, Awards, and more. Invite your colleagues and friends to learn more and get involved with WMIA!

Renew Your Membership on October 11 Online!

We would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support. We value all contributions, and memberships make up the lifeblood of our organization. Your involvement is important and very much appreciated. Time flies and we are already rounding the corner on membership renewal season! Renew your membership starting on October 11. Keep an eye out for communication on how to renew your membership, as the application has been moved online this year. Please reach out to Olivia Mueting, omueting@wmia.org, with any questions.



Post from IWF.

Woodworking Manufacturing Month 2021: It's your time to shine.

Woodworking Manufacturing Month puts our industry in the national spotlight and on the global stage in a first-ever celebration of woodworking manufacturing and design innovation and ingenuity. You have a place on the WWMM stage and in the industry spotlight.

Participation in WWMM is simple and easy. Not only will your company be part of a national advertising and promotional campaign—you'll also receive ready-to-use marketing tools to develop your own local promotions.

Learn More

Highlights of IWF 2022 Seniority Housing Process

- October 13 IWF sends an email to the official contact on file with seniority housing instructions, your company's seniority number and your log in ID and password.
- The day before your company's activation Maritz Global sends the official contact for your company a reminder email with your company's log in information and password and a direct link to the online request process. This email is resent the morning of your company's activation.
- October 19, 2021 9:00 am EST Seniority Groups 26 through 18 are activated and can request hotel rooms online using the link in the email sent by Maritz.
- October 20 27th 9:00 am EST Subsequent seniority groups open each day until all groups are activated on October 27th. (see schedule below)
- October 29th Seniority Housing Process Closes. Lottery entry deadline 12:00 noon.
- **November 9th** Exhibitor Registration opens and room reservations will be accepted by phone, internet or mail from all exhibitors through their IWF registration and housing portal.

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2022 WMIA Scholarship Program Opening November 1

The 2022 scholarships are opening November 1, and this year, the applications are online! Every year, WMIA gives out scholarships to college students who want to study wood technology, machinery, and related fields. To date, the WMIA Education Foundation has awarded over \$500,000 to 260 students. Please spread the news of the 2022 WMIA

Scholarship Program with with students that you know who are studying, or interested in studying, woodworking in college.

Interested in donating to the foundation? Donations make the WMIA Scholarship Program possible. Help fund a woodworking student, and support the future workforce of our industry. You can fill out a donation form here.

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Wooden Globe Awards Nominations Opening November 1

Each year, WMIA recognizes extraordinary companies and institutions with the prestigious Wooden Globe Awards. These awards are presented for notable success and achievements, accomplished in part through the use of high technology machinery and software supplied by WMIA-member companies. WMIA members nominate their customers, and awards are presented in three categories: Innovation of the Year, Educator of the Year, and Commitment to Excellence Through Technology.

Visit Our Nominations Page



Boot Camp is Back!

The Boot Camp Session is a comprehensive wood processing overview. A project based curriculum provides a hands-on, exposure level learning of many facets of wood processing knowledge, machinery and application for wood industry professionals of all experiences.

This session is geared toward supply-side companies in the wood industry who wish to further educate their workforce. Designed for Sales Professionals, Sales Managers, Product Managers, and Executives. This week long course will broaden the understanding of secondary wood manufacturing companies. Boot camp is held at Pittsburg State University, from January 9-14 and is all inclusive.

Register Here

Virginia Tech Housing Report – July 2021

Virginia Tech – U.S. Forest Service has published its housing market commentaries for July 2021. These commentaries contain in-depth data and comments on the U.S. housing market.

The housing report is a free service of Virginia Tech, Virginia Cooperative Extension, and the U.S. Forest Service. The reports are intended to help you gauge future business activity. All past housing reports are archived here.

Read the Main Report

Read the Economic Conditions Report

Let Us Spread Your News!

Does your company have news you would like to share? Let us know! We love to help spread news related to our industry partner members. Please send your news to <u>Olivia Mueting</u>. Please note that there is no additional cost to this promotion - It is included as a benefit of your WMIA membership.



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