

CLASSES CONTINUED

TRADITIONAL TUFTING — Learn how to calculate tufting dimensions and apply them to differing natural fibers with various combinations and layering. Demonstrations on creating even layers of hair in differing thickness'. Also, "row by row" tufting in leather and horse hair, with a beginning focus on Turkish upholstery techniques. *Intermediate to Advanced level.*

WOOD FURNITURE REPAIR — Basic furniture frame repairs—techniques and tools. Fractures, splits, collapsed frames, broken joints. Furniture joint types you'll find—mortise & tenon, dowel, staples, screws. Re-gluing chair joints. Glues 101—What glue to use and when.

BASIC MARINE — We will cover the requirements, tools and materials needed to recover most basic marine seating. Instructor will demonstrate the upholstering of a boat seat. As time permits we will discuss other areas of Marine work including; bimini tops, boat covers, enclosures and more. We will try to cover enough information to give the Beginning level student an understanding of what it takes to go into this field of Upholstery, at the same time giving the Intermediate to Advanced students the knowledge to consider this area of upholstery for their business.

BUILDING CUSHIONS — The cushion is a major investment! It dictates comfort and style. Replacing just the cushion can add years of use to a chair or sofa. Learn about the qualities of foam, innerspring, down and various combinations so you can help your customer choose with confidence. *All levels - suggested for the practicing upholsterer or soft furnishings professional.*

DECORATIVE STITCHING TECHNIQUES — Discussion of various stitching techniques used to make gatherings and pleats in decorative applications such as rosettes and arm-fronts. Demonstration of "serpentine banding" done in leather and horse-hair, hand-stitched over an over-stuffed base. State of the art in Turkish upholstery. *Intermediate to Advanced level.*

WOOD REFINISHING — Wood Finishes. Refurbishing/ Refreshing wood finishes (basically cleaning and sealing). Wood finishes - what to use and when (shellac, lacquer & varnish). Coloring wood basics, products, when to use them, and how to match colors - Stains (dye & pigment), toners, glazes, markers, powders. Introduction in burn repairs and other touch up techniques. Q&A on wonder products.

Classes are \$65 each.

Lunch will be included in the class fee.

There are only 10 seats available per class, it is recommended that you register early to reserve your space.

UPHOLSTERY FAIR

will be held at:

The University Plaza Hotel
3001 Northwestern Avenue
West Lafayette, Indiana 47906

on **July 23rd & 24th, 2010**

Contact, registration or questions, visit
www.upholsteryfair.com

Or to contact by phone, call
Kim's Upholstery Shop, 765-497-7772

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FREE ADMISSION

The Upholstery Fair Exhibition is held with support from the Professional Upholstery & Soft Furnishings Group. The Exhibition will showcase suppliers and vendors of a range of fabrics, leather, upholstery and stuffing materials, components, equipment and accessories for furniture, marine, and auto upholstery and reupholstery.

It's intended to demonstrate innovations of the upholstery trade, and encourage partner relations among the furniture industry specialists. Participation in the Upholstery Fair Exhibition is a great opportunity to get a comprehensive overview of the Midwest and national upholstery trade markets, to find new partners, generate new business and have one-to-one meetings with long-time customers. Exhibitors and sponsors represented will have the chance to connect with individuals from all over the U.S. who will be seeking new ways to expand or enhance their upholstery and soft furnishings business.

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UPHOLSTERY FAIR 2010



THE UPHOLSTERY FAIR IS A ONE OF ITS KIND EVENT!

It offers higher education to those in the trade, as well as basic how-tos for those interested in learning upholstery techniques. Also some fun projects for the D.I.Y.er!

This two day fair will gather professionals from all over the U.S. to learn new ways to expand their business. It will give the upholsterer just starting out the opportunity to be shown in person by experts the right way to approach a project. The idea was born, in part, from the many questions addressed on the Professional Upholsterers & Soft Furnishings site hosted by Jack Carr. Since 2000, the members have lent a helping hand to each other in all areas of business, peers teaching peers everything from the traditional to the contemporary, from shop skills to marketing tips.

One question that comes up often is:
Where is upholstery training offered?

Maybe the first question should be:
What area of upholstery would I like best?

Furniture, Automotive, Marine, Antique Furniture, Slipcovers, Awnings.... At the Upholstery Fair you'll be given the opportunity to get information and see demonstrations in nearly every field of Upholstery and Soft Furnishings. If you are currently in one field of upholstery and are considering adding another dimension to your business, the Upholstery Fair will help you see if the field you are thinking about is truly suited to you.

You won't become an expert by taking any of the classes offered, but you will learn the fundamentals and requirements to give the D.I.Y.ers a starting point to take on your project of interest. Also, the professional will gain enough knowledge to decide what area to add to their business, as well how to get started growing this new component of their capability.

Class instructors; Bob Gantz, Jack Carr, Keith Mealy, Kim Buckminster and Kim Newell.



CLASSES

Friday, July 23rd

AWNING — Instructor will discuss the different types of awning materials available for both residential and commercial awnings. Other topics will include estimating materials, design sewing techniques and various types of frames used. The construction of a simple frame and cover for residential use will be demonstrated.

BASIC UPHOLSTERY I — First of 2 classes, second one is Friday Afternoon. Learn from a craftsman with over 45 years of experience. Discussion and demonstration of upholstery from the frame up. Topics include: tearing off old fabric and padding, cutting new cover, spring tying, reuse or replacement of inside padding, tools of the trade, what makes a piece worth recovering. *Beginner to Intermediate level.*

MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION & PRESERVATION TECHNIQUE — Learn how to identify various natural fiber materials in traditional upholstery and their applications. See how badly displaced, lumpy original materials can be evened out and comfortably re-used. Demonstrations with excelsior, moss and horse hair. *Intermediate to Advanced level.*

BASIC UPHOLSTERY PART II — A continuation of Basic Upholstery I: Learn from a professional with over 45 years of experience. Discussion and demonstration of upholstery from the frame up. Topics include: tearing off old fabric and padding, cutting new cover, spring tying, reuse or replacement of inside padding, tools of the trade, what makes a piece worth recovering. *Beginner to Intermediate level.*

CREATE A FOOTSTOOL — Build and upholster a stylish footstool. You take home a finished piece! Choice of fabric, trim and decorative legs. This same technique can be applied to recover your dining room chairs. Footstool Kit fee \$20. *All levels - no sewing required.*

OVERSTUFFED BASICS — Discussion and first-hand demonstrations of various natural fibers used in traditional over-stuffed upholstery. Learn stuffing and stitching techniques that shape these materials over sprung surfaces. (spring tying methods are not included) Learn various combinations and layerings of stuffing materials. *Intermediate to Advanced level.*

PADDING UP MODERN FURNITURE — Learn to pad up modern furniture using modern padding materials; foam, dacron, cotton. We will also include discussion of selecting the right type of springs for the frame style of the furniture you are using.

Saturday, July 24th

BASIC AUTOMOTIVE — We will cover as many of the different areas of automotive upholstery as time allows. The basic repair on a bucket seat will be demonstrated from how a modern seat is disassembled to some of the tricks involved with working with modern seat cover designs. *All levels.*

THE SLIPCOVER — Learn to pin fit with fabric right side out, mark seams, sew welt cord and fearlessly take pieces to the machine to sew. Some hands on learning. *Beginner level.*

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