

Friends of the Boat Building Academy

Newsletter - Spring 2022



Hello and welcome to the Spring edition of the BBA newsletter!

Please read on to find out what's been happening in the past few months.

Hope to see many of you at our Open Day on Saturday 7th May!

Best Wishes,

Will Reed,

Director/Trustee

What's Been Happening at the BBA?

- Please join us on **Saturday 7th May** for our **25th Anniversary Open Day**.

There will be lots to see and do, with student-built boats and furniture on display, plenty of activities and demonstrations to have a go at, tea and cakes, and a bumper raffle!

Money raised will support our bursary fund and a portion will go to the Ukraine appeal.



- New signage at the BBA!

Back in March, the team at Creative Solutions installed our new signage.

The new and improved signage showcases our training in both boat building and furniture making.

We think it looks great!



Where are they now?

Sascha Caminda

Since finishing the 12-week Furniture Making course in June 2021, graduate Sascha Caminada has set up her own woodworking business - **Sascha Maria Woodwork**.

Now based in Stroud, Sascha has spent seven months making children's outdoor kitchens and has collaborated with a local blacksmith to build a bench.

Sascha is now getting word of mouth commissions. Good luck from all at the BBA!

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Upcoming Events

BBA Open Day

1100-1600 Saturday 7th May 2022

Class of October 21 Launch Day

0900 3 August 2022

May 12-week FM Exhibition

1530 5 August 2022 (TBC)

Upcoming Courses

40 week Boat Building

22 August 2022 - 9 June 2023

27 February - 8 December 2023

12 week Furniture Making

16 May - 5 August 2022

12 September - 2 Dec 2022

Advanced Furniture Making

9 January - 31 March 2023

2022 Short Course Programme Available on our website

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What's Happening in Boat Building?

Downstairs in the main workshop, the 40-week Boat Building Class of October 21 have starting building their boats.

Dom - 16' Veloce 2-seater plank on frame inboard speed boat

Tim - 17' Gartside strip plank outboard powered runabout

Lorraine - 14' Gartside Skylark sailing dinghy

Tony - 18' Nick Smith traditional clinker launch



Photographic build diaries for all the boats can be found on our website www.boatbuildingacademy.com

Earlier in March, we welcomed the new intake of 40-week Boat Building students. The class are now stuck into the foundation stage of the course.

This week, the class are busy making stich and tape dinghies in the lofting room - their first practical boat building exercise so far.



Downstairs in the main workshop



Making stich and tape dinghies



Jack with his dovetail box



What's Happening in Furniture Making?

Friday 8th April saw the end of the January 12-week Advanced Furniture Making course, the first to be led by our new tutor Petter Southall, a distinguished designer/maker of over thirty years.

The four students, Astrid, Ellie, Mike and Lewis, all exhibited their final projects as well as the work and training exercises they have produced over the last 12 weeks.

The January course was a huge success and we are happy to share the news that the next 12-week Advanced Furniture Making course will be running 9 January to 31 March 2023.

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