

2015 Workshops at the Village

Sustainable Gardening May 9 11 am to 3 pm



Instructors demonstrate practical skills for successful, chemical-free vegetable, herb and flower gardening, using techniques mastered by the Shakers. Topics include composting and soil improvement, weed and pest control, heirloom seed-saving, as well as harvesting and storing produce. Tools and materials provided, including take-home starter plants from the Shaker farm. \$75 or \$68 for members.

Wood-Turning Basics May 30-31 10 am to 5 pm, both days



Day 1 Learn wood-working, tool-sharpening, and the wood qualities necessary for traditional spindle-turning. **Day 2** Make a three-legged stool, candlesticks, spinning tops, or a project of your choice! All materials and tools provided. Before the weekend is over, students will tour

Hancock Shaker Village with the instructor. Beginner level. Limit, 5 students. \$120 or \$105 for members.

Backyard Poultry Workshop June 6 1 to 5 pm



You'll learn all you need to know to successfully start and maintain your own backyard poultry flock, from which breeds to choose to cleaning the coop! One of our most-popular courses! All levels welcome. \$50 or \$45 for members.

***Oval Box Basics* June 13 – 14 Saturday, 10 am to 4 pm, Sunday, noon to 4 pm**



Choose the one- or two-day course. Make your own #2- and #3-sized traditional Shaker Oval Boxes! **Day 1** Learn to carve swallow tails, prepare wood for bending, bend the box, and fit wood onto drying forms. Bonus tour of the Village's oval box collection is included. **Day 2** Measure and cut box tops and bottoms, fit side bands, and tack into place. All materials included. Limit, 8 students. Beginners welcome. \$170 or \$155 for members.

***Beeswax Candle making* September 12 10 am to 12 noon, or 1:30 to 3:30 pm**



Great for kids! Using home-grown bee's wax, learn wax technique as you craft and roll your own candle. Meet bees in their "habitat" at beehives on the farm and in the Discovery Barn (pictured above). Materials and equipment provided, including a custom candle box. Perfect for kids ages 12 and up. Children 8 to 12 must attend with an adult. Limit, 12. \$45 or \$40 for members.

[Traditional Timber Framing](#) September 23 – 27 9 am to 5 pm every day



Learn the craft of timber-frame construction using 18th- and 19th-century tools and techniques. Complete the parts of a small building, and assemble the frame in this intensive course with lots of one-on-one instruction. Demonstrations and discussions supplement hands-on learning. \$620 or \$558 for members. Limit, 16 students.

Visit our website to learn more about Workshops at Hancock Shaker Village, or call 413-443-0188, x 0, to register.