

Learn the Skills of Fine Boat Building

Have you ever admired a classic wooden boat and wondered who built it and how they learned the highly-skilled art & craft of wooden boatbuilding? Have you ever thought or dreamed about a career building & restoring beautiful wooden boats? Now you can at the Great Lakes Boat Building School in Cedarville, MI.

It is a great place to begin. The school has a new, fully-equipped 12,000 square foot facility, exceptional instructors, and well-designed, affordable programs. GLBBS has graduated over 90 students with an aggregate 87% Graduation Rate and a 93% Job Placement Rate with reputable shops throughout the Great Lakes, U.S. & Canada since the school opened in September, 2007. As one of just four major wooden boat building schools in the U.S., GLBBS has a well-earned reputation for graduating skilled craftsmen.

Learning wooden boatbuilding is primarily a hands-on, experiential process led by experienced, talented teachers. Whether you pursue the first-year 'Comprehensive Boat Building' program or the more advanced 'Career Boat Building' program, in each nine-month program you will learn the skills needed to be successful. Many students begin with limited woodworking skills, so the instructors work with each student and team in improving their individual & group skills. With the smaller class sizes, students receive personal and frequent guidance. The goal is to be fully capable of building a handsome, high-quality wooden boat by the end of the school term.



Many of the school's students are younger and starting their first career, often based on their high school woodworking experiences and exposure to classic wooden boats. Each program also has a cadre of older students who are attending to start a second career, which has often been a lifelong dream. Students come from all over the U.S., Canada and abroad, so that there is a rich mix of life experiences and talents to share.

Regardless of the type of boat the student finds of most interest, each will build a variety of boats, all with the goal of teaching the skills necessary to be successful in their new career. "Whether it's a power boat, a sailboat or a rowing boat, all of the projects are selected to provide comprehensive training in wooden boatbuilding.



To find out more, please visit the school's website www.glbbs.org and, better yet, visit in person. They will be glad to provide a personal tour and discuss your career goals. You can also request a complete Student Catalog, which provides detailed information about the programs, costs, etc. Just contact the Director of Student Services to receive a catalog and to make arrangements at your convenience to see if this is the right path for you, as it has been for so many of the school's graduates.



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