You do not need to bring any tools with you for most of the classes especially Woodworking I & II, Cabinetmaking, Finishing and Woodturning.

You may decide to bring your own safety glasses and hearing protection

Carving classes usually require a different set of tools. Please inquire about them when you register.

While the school contains all of the tools you will need for most classes, I recommend that as you take more advanced classes you should plan on putting your own tool kit together. It is always better to learn and be comfortable with your own tools (and you don’t have to wait your turn to use them!!).

If you are not sure if you have the right ones, feel free to call me or stop by with them. The school is associated with the Manchester Woodcraft store and you are welcome to buy them there. Your 10% discount will apply to all purchases except power tools, tuition & material charges. Make sure you tell the cashier you are in the class. Other sources include flea markets, tag sales, the internet, Lee Valley Tools and Lie Nielsen Tool-works. Most hardware stores, Home Depot, etc do not carry the quality tools you will need.

The list below is a suggested beginning for general furniture–making type classes. It is assumed that any tools going into your kit will be sharp and tuned up (they don’t work otherwise!)

**Basic tool list**

6” or 12” adjustable square
Pencils & notebook
Tape measure
Card scraper & burnisher
Block plane
Smoothing or general purpose plane #4 or #5
Shoulder plane (suggested)
Layout knife
Bench chisels
Back saw or dovetail saw
Safety Glasses
Hearing protection

This is just a suggested list – don’t worry if you don’t have all of them- or if you have more!
There is a refrigerator and a coffee maker in the shop. Lunch is usually around 12-1PM for daytime classes.
There is a lawn in the back and numerous sandwich shops and a grocery store in the area.
Give me a call or e-mail me if you have any questions

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