

NORTH BENNET ST. SCHOOL

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Explore the Artisan World: America's First Trade School Opens its Doors for a Two-Day Extravaganza

BOSTON, MA, December 2023 – In a celebration of craft and creativity, North Bennet Street School (NBSS), America's first trade school, is thrilled to invite aspiring artisans, craft enthusiasts, and the general public to an exclusive Open House event on Friday, December 1, and Saturday, December 2, 2023. This unique opportunity promises an immersive journey into traditional trades and offers a glimpse into the extraordinary programs that have defined NBSS for over a century.

Discover the World of Craftsmanship

Guests will have the chance to delve into the artistry of various trades, including furniture making, bookbinding, jewelry making, carpentry, piano technology, locksmithing, presentation carpentry, and violin making. This insider's look goes beyond observation, allowing attendees to witness the intricate processes involved in creating handmade objects.

Beyond the Craft

- Learn about NBSS scholarships, financial aid, and admissions for career training programs.
- Explore 130+ public Community Education classes offered each year.
- Connect with a community of like-minded craftspeople, including current students and faculty.
- Shop our winter market featuring a diverse array of artisan goods.
- Immerse yourself in a festive atmosphere with live music and refreshments.

Event Details

- Friday, December 1, 10am–2pm | Saturday, December 2, 10am–2pm
- North Bennet Street School, 150 North Street, Boston, MA
- Free & Open to the Public
- Register online at nbss.edu/openhouse for an unforgettable experience.

About North Bennet Street School

Established in 1881 as a settlement house for immigrants, NBSS has been a beacon of craft, technical mastery, and excellence for more than a century.

The School offers career training programs in Bookbinding, Carpentry, Cabinet & Furniture Making, Jewelry Making & Repair, Locksmithing & Security Technology, Piano Technology, Preservation Carpentry, and Violin Making & Repair. With a commitment to community engagement, NBSS also provides over 130 short, craft- and trade-based classes and other public programs annually.

In 2013, NBSS moved to its current, state-of-the-art 64,000-square-foot facility—an award-winning adaptive reuse project in Boston's culturally rich North End neighborhood. Celebrating a decade in their "new" building this fall, NBSS continues to inspire individuals of all backgrounds to pursue meaningful lives and livelihoods through the power of skilled crafts and trades.