

October 21, 2017 Gourd Rainstick Workshop

Date/Time: Saturday October 21st 10 am to 4 pm

Location: Jamesville Train Station, 6499 E Seneca Turnpike, Jamesville, NY 13078 (south of Syracuse)

Instructor: Terry Noxel

Cost: \$25 members, \$35 non-members

Description: Rainsticks have been made from many natural and man-made materials. Gourds make perfect resonators and give an authentic sound of a rain shower. Long gourds, such as snake and long-handled dippers are commonly used. Hundreds of toothpicks or wooden skewers are inserted close together so that the sound makers bounce off of them when the gourd is turned end-to-end. Decorating the gourd is totally up to you. Use your imagination or Google “rainstick” to see pictures of how others have decorated theirs. There are pictures in various gourd books too.

Teacher will supply

- Snake gourd, cut & cleaned
- Toothpicks/skewers
- White glue
- String, Masking Tape
- QuikWood®

Student must bring

- Dremel/small drill or carver w/ 3/32” Drill bit and diamond cutting wheel
Or
- Awl and cutting pliers
- Noise makers of your choice: BBs, dry beans, dry rice, small beads, aquarium gravel
- Paints or Dyes & Embellishments of your choice



RSVP

- Please RSVP by October 6th
- Because the class size maximum is 12, we would like you to pre-pay so your spot is secured.

- You can first send an email to me (noxelts@aol.com) and/or our secretary at nysgourdsociety@gmail, but most importantly you should send a check payable to NYSGS, to our NEW treasurer. You are not confirmed for the class until your check has been rec'd (and the class could fill if you wait too long).
- Mail your check to Elaine Johnson, 8 Shaw Place, Binghamton, NY 13901