

WMMA's New Website Needs Your Input!

WMMA's new and improved website, www.wmma.org, is here! The website, which has been redesigned over the past year, has a cleaner, more updated look, and is easier to navigate. The web address stays the same, and many of the great features, including committee listings, event calendars and information about IWF and WIC, are all back - and easier than ever to find and use. At this time, WMMA is asking its members for some materials:

- Company News: We need your information about new employees, company milestones, new products and other notes. Send this (along with any images) to maryhelen@wmma.org.
- Photos for our Product Guide: We are looking for images of machinery that we can use on the home page, to illustrate the types of equipment one would find in our Product Guide. Please send images to Kristin at WMMA headquarters at kristin@wmma.org to obtain a new copy.

What do you think of the new site? We'd love to hear from you. Please send your comments to maryhelen@wmma.org.

Jim Carroll, Former CEO of Black Bros. Co., Dies

Jim Carroll, 88, of Mendota, Illinois, passed away February 23rd at his home. He was born April 11, 1925 in Portage Wisconsin to John F. and Anena (Soisson) Carroll. He married Marjorie Black on June 27, 1946 in Mendota.

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Baldwin Award Nominations Now Open

WMMA is now accepting nominations for its highest honor, the Baldwin Award. The award is presented at WIC.

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Last Chance to Get In On the WINS

Woodworking Industry Networking and Skiing Trip Planned

Get away from it all and stay connected to the woodworking industry in a fun way -- at the second joint ski trip with WMMA and WMIA!

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WMMA's Export Trade Certificate: An Opportunity to Join

Since February 1989, the US Department of Commerce has granted anti-trust protection for members of the WMMA® that elect to be covered under the WMMA® Export Trade Certificate (ETC).

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Industry Calendar of Events

February 28 - March 2, 2014

WINS (Woodworking Industry Networking and Skiing Trip)
Salt Lake City, UT
Information: Ian Strouse at istrouse@hermiance.com

April 9-11, 2014

Cabinets & Closets Conference & Expo
Somerset, NJ
www.CabinetsandClosetsExpo.com

April 28-May 2, 2014

Woodworking Industry Conference (WIC)
Wyndham Rio Mar Beach Resort
Rio Grande, PR
Use [this link](#) to learn more and register.

August 20-23, 2014

International Woodworking Fair (IWF)
Georgia World Congress Center
Atlanta, GA
www.iwfatlanta.com

September 17, 2014

WMMA DC Fly-In
Washington, DC
www.wmma.org

October 8-9, 2014

Cabinetmaker - Wood Pro Expo
Baltimore, MD - Maryland State Fairgrounds
[Click here for info](#)

New Industry Sponsorship Program

Want to consolidate your advertising dollars and invest them where they'll do the most good? WMMA has great opportunities with its sponsorship program. The new sponsorship initiative, which allows industry members to select from a range of packages, will not only support high-profile industry activities (including WIC and other meetings) but publications and programs (the Cutting Edge, WMMA website, etc). This will allow for heightened publicity throughout the year.

For more information, see the [attached form](#).

WIC 2014 Registration is Now Open!

Ready to soak up some of the best contacts and knowledge the wood industry has available? Get registered to attend the Woodworking Industry Conference (WIC).

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IWF Corner

What's the latest on IWF 2014? Find out here!

IWF Corner is an ongoing feature in The Cutting Edge. From now until showtime, here is where you'll find out all the latest information, plans, offers and more, in updates direct from the show staff.

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Industry News

The Housing Report: At Least One Positive Indicator

Several housing market indicators declined in December, something that is typical for the winter; however, given the fragility of the United States housing market and the sluggish economy, we need to pay close attention to future data releases. Construction spending data was the sole positive indicator. The full report can be accessed by [clicking here](#).

April 21-24, 2015

**Woodworking Industry Conference (WIC)
Grand Hyatt San Antonio
San Antonio, TX**

May 11-15, 2015

**LIGNA
Hannover, Germany
www.ligna.de/home**

July 22-25, 2015

**AWFS Fair
Las Vegas, NV
<http://awfsfair.org/>**