

Micalizzi Awards at the New Jersey School of Woodwork

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Through an arrangement between CRAFTS and the New Jersey School of Woodwork, Micalizzi Scholarship Awards are now available. CRAFTS administers a memorial fund created in the honor of the late Dominic Micalizzi, a CRAFTS member and premier woodworker. With this gift provided by the Micalizzi family, CRAFTS seeks to provide aid to young people who are interested in pursuing woodworking, possibly leading to a profession.

The New Jersey School of Woodwork, located in Washington NJ, is a non-profit 501c(3) school established by CRAFTS member Scott Severns with a goal to “Grow the Craft”. A master craftsman and furniture maker with over 25 years experience, Scott embraces the Micalizzi mission and is happy to support it’s goals. NJSoW offers classes ranging from woodworking basics to working with veneers to building various projects such as a chessboard table or carving motifs in the Philadelphia

Chippendale style. The schedule of available sessions is regularly updated, see the website [New Jersey School of Woodwork \(njschoolofwoodwork.com\)](http://New Jersey School of Woodwork (njschoolofwoodwork.com)) for current offerings, tuitions and scheduling.

Through the Micalizzi Fund, CRAFTS is making available 3 annual awards of \$250 in school credit applicable to most NJSoW classes. Applicants must be New Jersey residents or referred by a CRAFTS member, and be 23 or younger. Applications are now posted on the CRAFTS website under Grants.



Figure 1. Scott Severns in the student training area of the New Jersey School of Woodwork



Figure 2. A view of some of the equipment inside the New Jersey School of Woodwork



Figure 3. An array of scroll saw stations recently used by a Girl Scout troop working toward their woodworking badges at the New Jersey School of Woodwork