

OUR MOTTO: BUILD, SHARE, EXPLORE

Think of our makerspace as a playground for your imagination where we create opportunities for lifelong learning – it's where people of all ages come together for the purpose of encouraging kids and adults from all different backgrounds to learn new skills, realize their passions, and feel empowered. This idea of developing confidence and agency is central to all that we do.



WHAT IS A MAKERSPACE?

A makerspace is a collaborative workspace that provides access to tools, materials, and resources for people to create, invent, and learn. Makerspaces typically offer equipment such as 3D printers, laser cutters, woodworking tools, electronics equipment, among others. Makerspaces are an important resource for fostering creativity, innovation, and learning,

DECATUR MAKERS STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

At Decatur Makers, Any active student is eligible for our "Student Memberships" for only \$20/month. This includes Middle School (11 years old and up), High School, College, and post-grad students.

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Youth Programs



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RECURRING YOUTH PROGRAMS

Family Build Night

Last Wednesday of the month; 5p-7p

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

We provide different hands-on STEAM activities geared towards 6-10 year olds and their families.

Girls Maker Club

2nd Sunday of the month; 1p-3p

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

Open to middle school aged girls. Girls will have the chance to be creative, solve problems, and get hands-on with 2-3 different maker projects.

Cosplay Club

2nd Friday of the month; 5p - 7p

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

An inclusive Youth Activities club, for ages 14-18, where young people can embrace their love for costuming and performing in a fun, safe, and supportive environment.

Youth Build Club

3rd Tuesday of the month; 5p-7p

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

YBN gives the opportunity for middle school aged students to bring in build projects from home. Participants will have access to certain makerspace tools, equipment and volunteers to assist in their projects. We will also have build projects available for those looking for a new creative challenge.

YOUTH IMPACT PROGRAMS

Youth Maker Workshop

For youth serving organizations

Our Youth Maker Workshop is a fun and educational program for kids that combines hands-on making with problem solving skills and 3-dimensional thinking. This workshop can be mobile as well as done at the Decatur Makers Makerspace. In this workshop, kids will have the opportunity to work with a variety of tools and equipment within the makerspace to bring their ideas to life. They will leave the workshop with newfound confidence and a sense of accomplishment, having created something unique and meaningful through their own efforts.

Makerspace Field Trip

For Youth and Youth Serving Educators

While visiting Decatur Makers, participants will have the opportunity to get a detailed tour of the makerspace and participate in a Design Thinking Challenge tailored to the group. Throughout the Design Thinking Challenge, participants will be encouraged to embrace a growth mindset, embrace failure as an opportunity to learn, and collaborate with others to arrive at creative solutions.

Make N' Take Table

For community and organizational events

Our Make N Take tables provide attendees with an interactive and engaging hands-on activity where they can take home the result of their efforts. The table is designed to be a low-stress, self-paced activity that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and skill levels.

YOUTH OUTREACH

We're not just about making, we're also about making a difference. Our outreach programs support both youth and teachers across Atlanta through innovative hands-on making experiences. By developing both the hard skills (how to use a soldering iron or create a digital design) as well as the soft skills (creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, problem solving, perseverance, risk-taking and adaptability), young makers build confidence and feel empowered to find their passions that can change their lives.

OUR YOUTH OUTREACH PARTNERS

Decatur Housing Authority

International Rescue Committee

Global Village Project

City of Decatur

Drew Charter School

Coding with Culture

DeKalb County Libraries

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