

MAKER SPACE BOOT CAMP



2 1/2 DAY TRAINING TO LEARN HOW TO CREATE A MAKER SPACE





The Maker Space Boot Camp, presented by the Independence Community College (ICC) Fab Lab, is a 2 1/2 day training for communities that want to learn how to build a maker space to catalyze entrepreneurial growth. In Maker Space Boot Camp: How to Start a Maker Space or Fab Lab from Ground Zero, learn from others' experience building from scratch the Independence phenomenon that is Fab Lab ICC, the only maker space in the world combining the hands-on creative experience with the entrepreneurial mindset philosophy using the revolutionary Ice House Entrepreneurship Program. It's a powerful combination for sparking innovation in a community.

Fab Lab ICC experts share their process for establishing a maker space, demonstrate impact on the community, and showcase the magic of making. Participants take home a collection of plans, processes, and tips and receive two post-camp phone consultations with Fab Lab ICC founder, Jim Correll. Since February 1, 2022, 46 community representatives from 24 E-Communities have participated in the eight boot camps, with many taking action to hold maker camps, launch maker events, and even begin building their own community maker spaces. The program is partially underwritten by NetWork Kansas on a competitive basis.



PARTICIPANTS WILL LEARN TO:

- Build relationships to support fundraising and marketing efforts
- · Recognize and use essential tools and equipment
- Promote the entrepreneurial mindset locally
- Foresee and overcome common maker space challenges



PROGRAM DETAILS

- 2.5 day in-person course in Independence, Kansas for no more than 16 participants per session
- Observe how an entrepreneurial mindset is cultivated at a community level
- Examples who how the Fab Lab has helped Independence
- Hands-on experience learning necessary maker space machines and equipment
- Network with people form similar communities who share the same goals
- Learn how to start small with maker events and minimal resource commitments
- Brainstorm how a maker space could work in your E-community
- Plan for incremental growth with real-life examples
- Two post-camp consultations with Jim Correll, Fab Lab ICC founder
- The total cost of this program is approximately \$2,500 + travel per person, with discounts available for E-Community participants





"Great class! The virtual worked perfectly. We appreciate having that option and look forward to touring soon. Tim and Jim are a great resource to answer questions and get excited about a makers space. We will definitely be getting with partners and hopefully bringing one to Hays / Ellis County!"

ERNEE SLY, HAYS, KS

"Jim and Tim did an excellent job covering all aspects of a Maker Space. I left with more knowledge and very inspired."

MOLLEA WAINSCOTT, DODGE CITY, KS

"It was an incredibly valuable resource for learning and networking."

KIERSTEN ALLEN, LOUISBURG, KS

CONTACT INFORMATION

To learn more or to discuss if the Maker Space Boot Camp is right for your community, please contact your NetWork Kansas E-Community regional representative or e-mail boardcertified@networkkansas.com.

