

## Washington Historical Gunmaker's Guild Presents:

## **Annual Gunmakers Workshop**

## August 26th Through the 29th, 2021

Our featured event this year is A 2 day, Hands-on Class in hand engraving

Presented by noted rifle builder and custom engraver Mitch Yates from Hampton Bays New York

### "<u>Early</u>" registration is strongly encouraged to reserve a seat in this class. Help us make this event <u>Special</u> for everyone!

Early arrival and set up available Wednesday afternoon August 19th. Set up your camp on the grounds or your cot for inside camping.

Meeting, awards, raffle and auction after dinner on Saturday evening.

Socialize, share ideas and learn new skills.

Display your projects (new or old, completed or not).

Make new friends and just have FUN!

Great facility with good tent camping, parking for self-contained RV's, trailers and cars.

Bring your cot and sleeping bag for indoor camping.

## For further information or pre-registration contact:

Registrar:	<b>Event Location:</b>	<b>General Information:</b>
Steve Baima	Capitol City Rifle & Pistol	Steve Baima (425) 865 8965
13025 SE Newport Way	Club	Rich Downs (425) 823 9323
Bellevue, WA. 98006	14318 Little Rock Road SW	Steve Skillman (360) 704-0149
Percman48@comcast.net	Rochester, WA 98579	David Rase (360) 479 1888
425-865-8965	(I-5 Exit 95 drive West to	Scott Morrison (503) 510-0853
	Little Rock, WA)	

Food Service Meals are included with your registration. Steve Skillman, and Bo Brown put

together a good bill-o-fare. It might not be gourmet but you won't go hungry.

Breakfast 07:30 - 08:00 Each morning a breakfast will be served, consisting of biscuit and gravy,

hot or cold cereal, sweet roll, toast, fruit, juice and coffee. Note Individual Meal

Charges: \$5.00 Breakfast, \$5.00 Lunch, \$10.00 Dinner

Lunch 12:00 - 1:00 P.M. Menu to be announced

Wednesday. August 25<sup>th</sup> Early arrival, set up and late registration can be done any time after 3:00 P.M.

#### Thursday, August 26th: **Pre-registration is required!**

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Welcome, sign-in and opening comments. Formal structured class with guest instructor Mitch Yates. This is a 2 day class. The focus of this class will behand engraving with single-point engraver with chasing hammer. Mitch will teach proper sharpening techniques using the Steve Lindsay sharpening system, engraving boarders and engraving your name on the top flat of a rifle barrel. Registration Class Size: 8 students.

Note: This class will fill to capacity very quickly. A number of prospective students have already conveyed their intent to sign up. To be assured of a space in the class I must receive your completed registration form with fees.

Friday. August 27th

**08:00 AM – 5:00 P.M.** Continuation of Friday's class with guest artisan – instructor Mitch Yates.

#### Saturday, August 28th

**08:00 - 12:**00 Multiple station, hands-on instruction in constructing tenons and staples, Installing tenons and staples, cutting dove-tails, installing sights, drilling barrel and installing touch-hole liners, muzzle crowning, correcting and concealing mistakes (repairing), and making ram-rod tips. These round-robin stations will be taught by senior guild member-builders.

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Continuation of round-robin station instruction.

3:30 – 5:00 P.M. Gunmakers (luck) Shoot & (skill) Blanket Shoot. Blanket shoot is voluntary. Bring your hand made item to go toward the blanket prizes, if you plan to participate in the blanket shoot.

Presentation of awards? Fund raising raffle and auction. The guild is requesting donations for our auction and raffle. All money raised will enhance our treasury specific to the West Coast Horn and Accoutrement Fair. This money is used to hire our guest instructors and continue our tradition of replicating accoutrements of the 17th & 18 centuries. Our guest instructor usually makes a demonstration piece during his/her class. Donation Items are being sought for our raffle and fund-raising auction.

#### Sun. August 29th

8:00 to 12:00 Continuation of round-robin station instruction from Saturday

12:00 -Closing Remarks, Lunch and Clean up. Feed-back session.

## Mail pre-registration with fee payment to the "Registrar" Make checks payable to "Washington Historical Gunmaker's Guild".

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Please <u>PRINT</u> Your Name:	Please <u>PRINT</u> your Address:
e-mail:	Phone #:
Note: If you would like any additional information please call the appropriate person listed above. A detailed map and confirmation letter will be sent to you upon pre-registration.	Note: Any special medical or emergency information we should know about for your safety at this event? Please contact the Registrar prior to event registration. Thank you.  Your Safety is important to us!
Event Pre-registration: Thurs thru Sun events: \$80.00* * Plus class fee if applicable	Late Registration: After August 1st \$20.00
Note: Required registration fee covers all meals. Pre-register must be received before August 1, st ufficient groceries are on hand. This significant overages or shortages is our class materials and	so instructors can order materials and ensure that tly helps in planning this event to avoid any
Please check those that apply:	
Registration (Thurs – Sun)	\$80.00
(Friday night – Sun)	\$50.00
Day Hand Engraving class by Mitch Yates Note: class fee is in addition to registration	\$250.00
Late Registration (after August 1st	\$20.00
V	our check for \$ is enclosed

## **About Mitch Yates**

# Longrifles and Accoutrements Fashioned in the Best and Neatest Manner.

My interest in long rifles began at a very early age. Hanging in my grandfather's house in Lancaster, Pennsylvania were two long rifles that had descended through the family. Their long barrels, full-length maple stocks and the fact that they weren't to be handled kindled a lifelong fascination with long rifles and their history.

An invitation to hunt elk in Colorado prompted me to build my first rifle. Making and hunting with this rifle turned my interest into my passion. For several years I attended the NMLRA Gun builder's school in Kentucky studying under such Masters as Wallace Gusler, Gary Brumfield, Hershal House and Jim Chambers. These classes furthered my education by providing me the opportunity to study some of the finest original rifles in the country down to the last detail while studying traditional gun building techniques. After building rifles part time for many years and winning multiple ribbons at Dixon's Gunmakers Fair, I closed my furniture/cabinet shop to build longrifles full-time.

I build all my rifles from a plank using traditional tools and methods including forging my own iron mounts. I carefully study originals, hand select every piece of wood and use only the finest materials available to craft your rifle "in the best and neatest manner."

I look forward to working with you to make your own family heirloom.

Regards,

#### **Mitch Yates**

Proud member of Contemporary Long Rifle Association Honorable Company of Horners National Muzzle loading Association National Rifle Association