



Learn the Craft of Dry-Laid Stone Masonry!
Spring 2016 Workshops & Event Schedule
April/May

Workshop Descriptions

Introductory Workshops are designed for drystone enthusiasts with little to no previous experience who would like to gain a basic understanding of drystone construction techniques. The pace will be comfortable and participants will learn the fundamental skills needed to build and repair a typical rock fence or retaining wall.

Certification Prep Workshops are designed for individuals who have already taken an introductory workshop, have mastered the basic skills involved and are ready to take on the challenge of more complicated work. The pace is a bit more rigorous than that of an introductory workshop.

Workshop Logistics

The Conservancy strives to maintain a ratio of one experienced instructor per six participants, thus assuring plenty of individual attention. A typical workshop includes from 6 to 12 participants, with no more than 18 permitted. Introductory and Certification Prep Workshops run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. both days, beginning with a brief introduction to dry stone masonry construction and safety, followed by two days of hands-on instruction while restoring or building a dry stone fence or retaining wall. The Conservancy will provide work gloves, safety glasses and rock or brick hammers for those who do not already own or plan to buy them in advance of the workshop.

Workshop Registration

The two-day workshop fee is \$350.00. The fee includes a copy of our training manual *Building and Repairing Dry Stone Fences & Retaining Walls* (other materials for the Stone Dressing Clinic) to be handed out on the first day of the workshop, plus online access prior to the workshop for viewing our training videos *Walls of Stone* and *Building and Repairing Rock Fences and Retaining Walls*. Lunches are also included; however, if you have any unusual dietary restrictions please plan to bring your own food. Additionally, upon successful completion of an introductory workshop, participants are then eligible to participate on the Conservancy's Volunteer Work Days at no cost! For more information about our Volunteer Work Days, please contact the office.

To register for a Spring 2016 Workshop or Stone Dressing Clinic, please mail the enclosed registration form along with a **\$200.00 deposit** for each workshop you plan to attend. We accept payment in the form of cash, check and money order. We will send an initial confirmation within a week of receipt as well as a final confirmation letter two weeks prior to the workshop with detailed instructions and directions to the workshop site.

You may fax your registration form to hold a spot; however we must receive your deposit within five days to guarantee it. We greatly appreciate knowing well in advance if you are unable to attend so we can offer your spot to another person on the waiting list. **Deposits are refundable (less a \$25 cancellation fee) only if we hear from you at least two weeks prior to the first day of your workshop. Deposits are otherwise nonrefundable.**

Please be aware the number of participants in each workshop is limited and **workshops are often fully booked several weeks in advance.** We strongly recommend you reply quickly in order to guarantee your spot!

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April 30th & May 1st (Sat & Sun) – “Shaker Village Rock Fence Workshop” (introductory) **Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill near Harrodsburg, Kentucky**

This introductory workshop will be held at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill near Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Workshop participants will rebuild sections of historic fences on this beautiful nature preserve which has more than 24 miles of historic rock fences. For on-site lodging and more information about Shaker Village, go to www.shakervillageky.org



May 13th & 14th (Fri & Sat) – “Hebron Cemetery Workshop” (introductory) **Lawrenceburg, Kentucky**

This introductory workshop is part of an ongoing effort to restore the historic rock fences surrounding this settlement-period cemetery in Anderson County, Kentucky. Previous workshop participants at this site have commented on the idyllic location for the workshop as well as the delicious homemade lunches prepared by the cemetery stewards!



May 21st & 22nd (Sat & Sun) — “Edge Fence Workshop” (introductory) **Holy Rosary Church, Manton, Kentucky**

This introductory workshop will introduce techniques of the edge fence style of building a dry stone rock fence. Participants will learn the reasoning behind building a fence using this particular method. The workshop will take place next to the historic Holy Rosary Church in Washington County, Kentucky.



May 25th & 26th (Wed & Thurs) – “Certification Prep Workshop” **(combined introductory & advanced)**

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, near Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

This workshop will prepare advanced participants for the freestanding fence specifications to be built during the Certification Exams to follow on May 27th & 28th. Participants will also gain the required experience on retaining walls as well as instruction on how to build wallheads.



May 27th & 28th (Fri & Sat) — “Spring 2016 Certification Exams” **Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, near Harrodsburg, Kentucky.**

Candidates may arrange to build their wallheads and other required special features on-site on Friday, May 27th. **Timed tests for all candidates, Saturday May 28th.**

Certification program requirements and registration forms are available on our website at www.drystone.org or by contacting the office @ 859-266-4807.



Spring 2016 Workshops Registration Form

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(Please **print** all information)

Name _____ Email _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone (____) _____ Cell phone (____) _____ Work phone (____) _____

The following information is requested for workshop coordination purposes:

List previous masonry, landscaping or construction experience: _____

Describe any health or physical limitations: _____

Indicate any dietary restrictions: _____

What do you hope to do with the skills learned in the workshop? _____

Please indicate your Spring 2016 schedule choice(s) on the next page.

Want to stay informed about upcoming events and news? Keeping in touch with us is easy!

- Please add me to the **future workshops** notification list.
- Please add me to the **E-News** mailing list sent via email.
- Please add me to the **volunteer day notification** list.



Volunteer Work Day in Central Kentucky

Please make your check or money order payable to:

Dry Stone Conservancy
1065 Dove Run Road, Suite 6
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Introductory Fence Workshop, before



Introductory Fence Workshop, after



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The two-day workshop fee is \$350.00. Please send a \$200.00 deposit for each workshop or clinic you would like to attend. **Please indicate your first and second preferences;** you will be contacted immediately if your first choice is no longer available. An initial confirmation letter will be sent upon receipt of your deposit, and a follow-up letter two weeks prior to the workshop with more details and directions to the workshop site.

For on-site lodging for Shaker Village events, go to www.shakervillageky.org

- _____ Sat & Sun April 30th & May 1st **“Kentucky Rock Fence Workshop”** (*introductory*)
Shaker Village near Harrodsburg, Kentucky
- _____ Fri & Sat May 13th & 14th **“Hebron Cemetery Rock Fence Workshop”** (*introductory*)
Lawrenceburg, Kentucky
- _____ Sat/Sun May 21th & 22nd **“Edge Fence Workshop”** (*introductory*)
Manton, Kentucky
- _____ Wed & Thu May 25th & 26th **“Certification Prep Workshop”** (*intermediate & advanced*)
Shaker Village near Harrodsburg, Kentucky
- _____ Fri-Sun May 27th & 28th **“Spring 2016 Certification Exams”** – Shaker Village, KY
*Please indicate your interest here, however fill out the separate
Spring 2016 Certification registration form on our website.*

Contribution Information

(Your tax-deductible gift is greatly appreciated but is not required for future workshop notification or E-news.)

I would like to support the work of the Dry Stone Conservancy.
Enclosed please find my voluntary tax-deductible contribution of \$_____.

A confirmation letter and receipt will be sent for your tax purposes.

Please mail forms to:
Dry Stone Conservancy
1065 Dove Run Road, Suite 6
Lexington, KY 40502

For more information about the Conservancy’s non-profit mission and programs, please visit our website at www.drystone.org or call the office at (859) 266-4807. Office hours are 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday.

“The mission of the Dry Stone Conservancy is to preserve existing drystone structures, and to revive and promote the ancient craft of dry-laid stone masonry.”