Help Make a Makerspace in Lowell



















A Makerspace...in Lowell!





Makerspace What is it?

Community workshop - 501(c)3

Traditional shop tools and machines
Electronics design and build
3-D printing and 3-D CAD
Welding? Cooking?

Community education center
Anyone can teach, everyone can learn

Creative space with physicality



Laser cutting? Hydropronics?



Sewing? Weaving? Fiber Arts?



Brewing? Winemaking? Cheesemaking? Distilling?



Maker Space? Hacker Space? WHAT?

The future of innovation?
The future of Manufacturing?
A place to learn new skills
Start a business
Develop a new product
Fix your bike
Or just hang out and let the ideas fly

Really its just a......



Open Access Workshop

Do you want to...
Fix something?
Build something?
Change something?
Cut some metal, wood or plastic?
Construct a musical instrument?
Upgrade your computer?
Make a robot?

Then this is the place for you!



Who ARE WE?

Kamal Jain - Internet guru Operations management Part-time organic farmer Builds Arduino cat toys....



Eric Sack - video/electronics LTC director technologistics Beer Aficionado Wants to Weld



John Noto - Astronomer Automates observatories Builds satellite optics Really wants a 3D printer





The Vision

Following the path blazed by Artisians Asylum, Makelt Labs and others....





Lowell Makes!

A community of Makers (40-60 folks)
4000 sq-ft, self managed (to start)
Dedicated floor space and benches (\$\$)
Community benches & bins
Bring your own tools (small, hand)
Larger tools would be available
Educational workshops
Paid subscription memberships



Barely finished space



Heating and cooling Water - bathrooms, slop sink, eye wash Would build out ourselves









So what's it gonna cost?

Rent \$36,000/year Utilities \$6,000/year Insurance \$4,000/year Total \$46,000/year ~\$3800/month

This is how much we need on a continuous basis...

No subsidies, grants or big fat check from the government.

IUST US



The Makership

- Individual membership fee ~\$90/month
 - 24/7 keycard access
 - Access to all benches, tools and equipment first come first served
 - Discounts for workshops
- Dedicated floor space available
 - \$1/Sq-ft/month
 - U-divide: no walls but panels or "Les Nessman" style
- · Dedicated bins & benches available
 - \$TBD but less than floor space ~\$15-\$50/month
- Professional/small business/group
 - \$150/month
 - Dedicated/reserved time
 - Higher volume
- Day Pass for non-members \$25/day



Or maybe...

- Individual membership fee ~\$100/month
 - Money for Lowell Makes to buy and fix things
 - Money to offset reduced rates offered
- Reduced rate -\$30-70/month based on need
 - · Marginal costs per member are fairly low
- Family ~\$150/month
 - Parent/Guardian must accompany minors
- Business/group ~\$200/month
- Institution ~\$300/month
- Weekly \$100
 - 24x7 access for 7 consecutive days
 - limited space rental options
- · Weekend \$50
 - · daytime access only
 - · no space rental



Some quick math

Total costs \$46,000/year ~\$3800/month - let's say \$4k

At \$100/member/month, 40 members cover operating costs

There will be other costs and other sources of revenue

Let's line-up about 12 months of funds available at signing

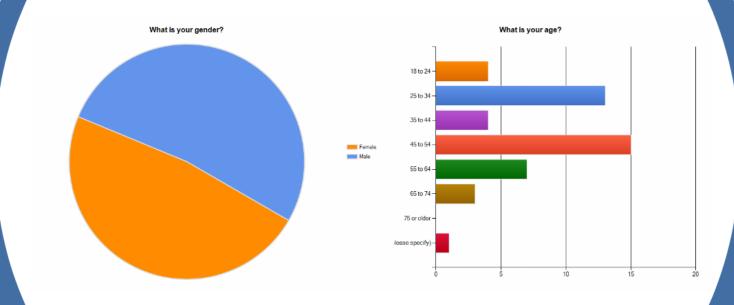


Additional Revenue

Workshops-15-25% of total revenue! Local Fundraising-usual suspects Banks Lawyers Bake sale? 3-D printed candy? Governments? CrowdSourcing-KickStarter or IndieGoGo Fundraising for equipment Small and large corporations Donate used equipment Discounts on software/hardware Commercial sales/spin-offs/short run mfg. Future possibilities are endless......

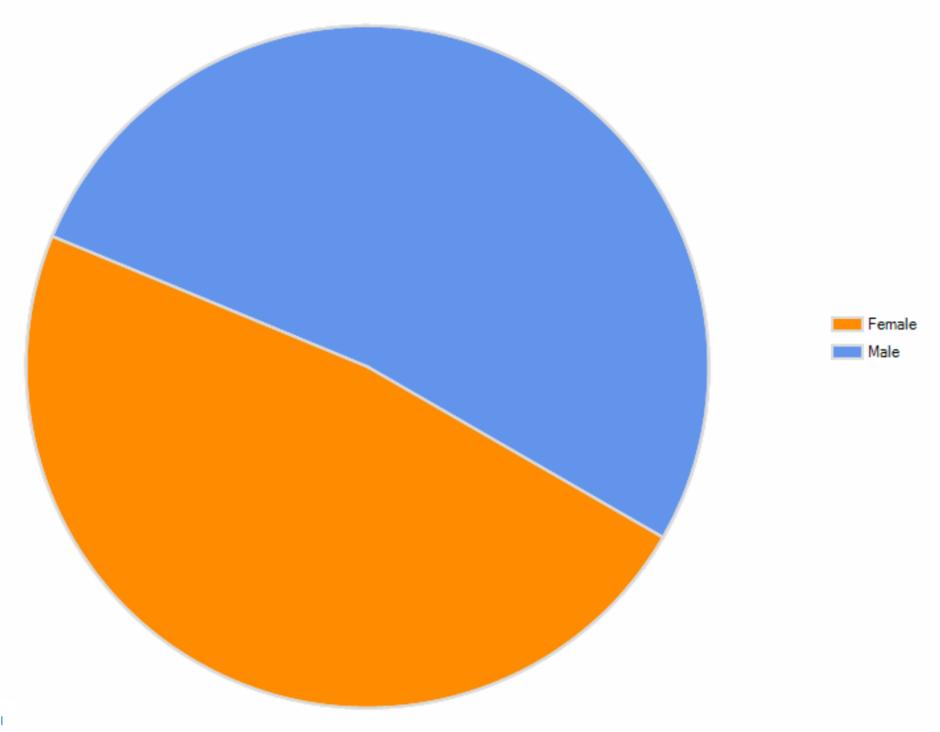


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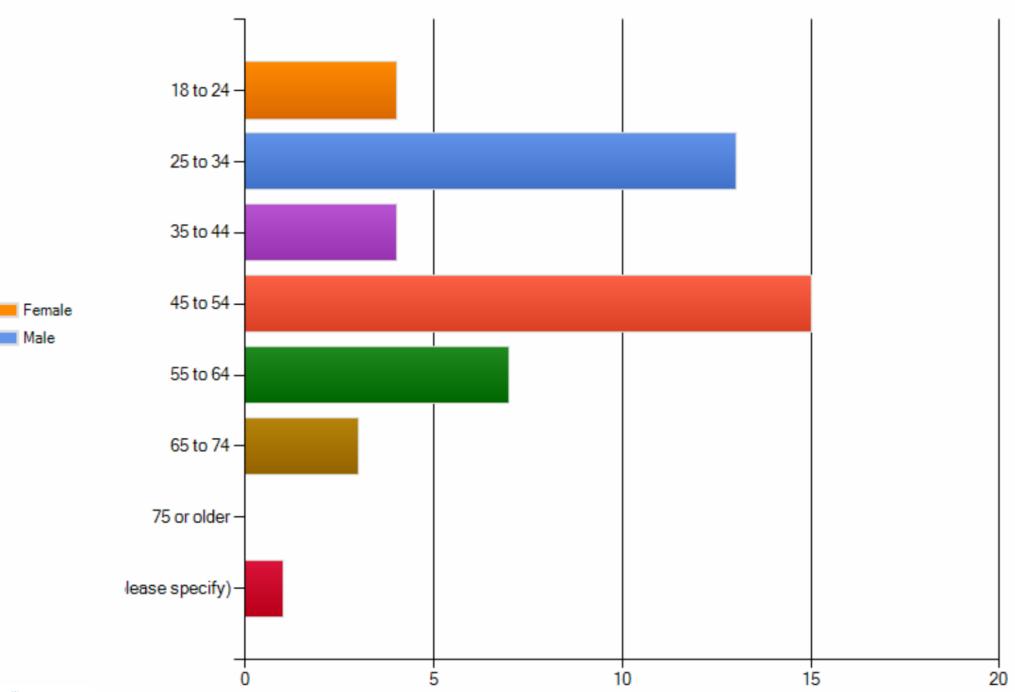


What is your gender?



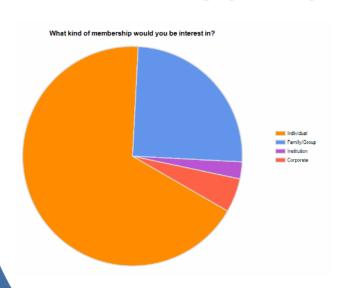


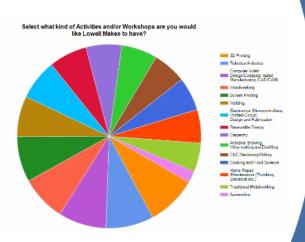
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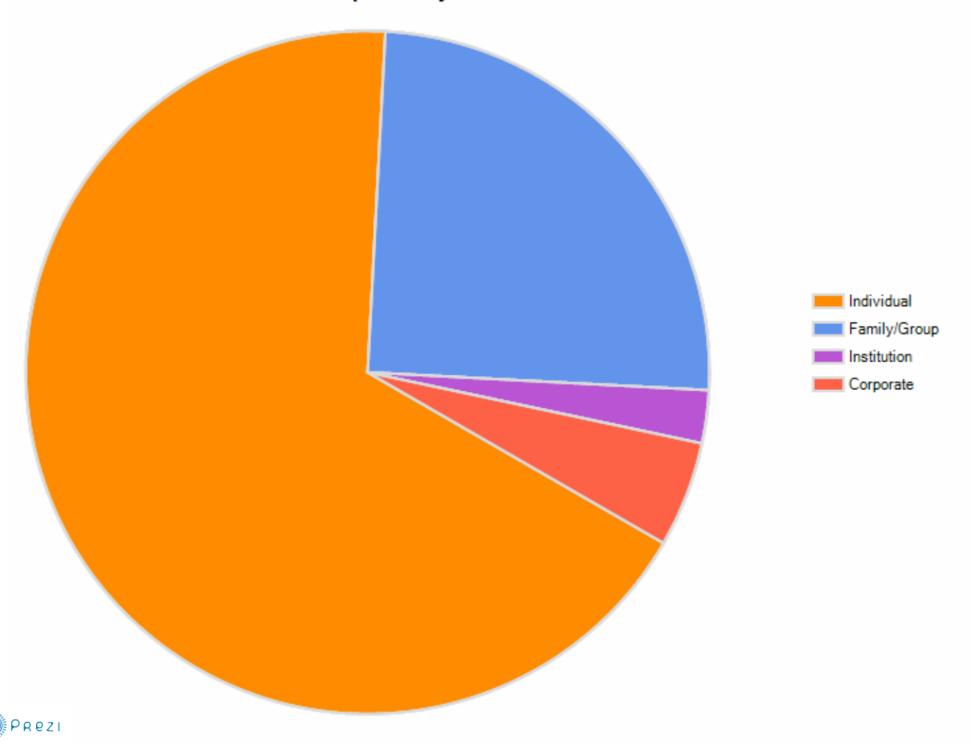
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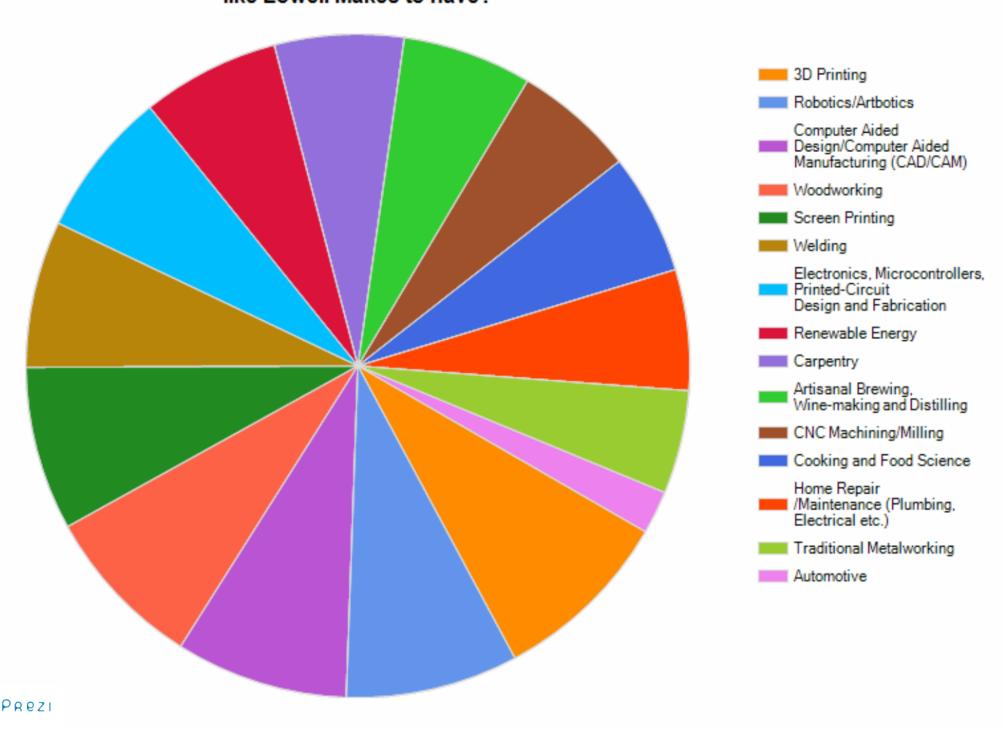




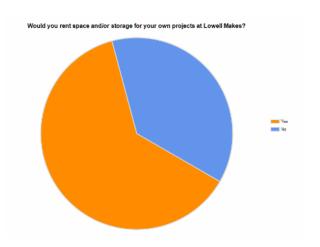
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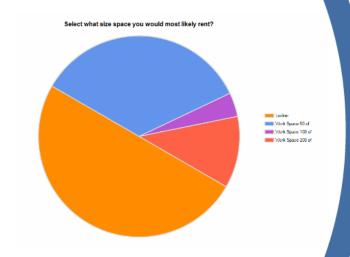


Select what kind of Activities and/or Workshops are you would like Lowell Makes to have?



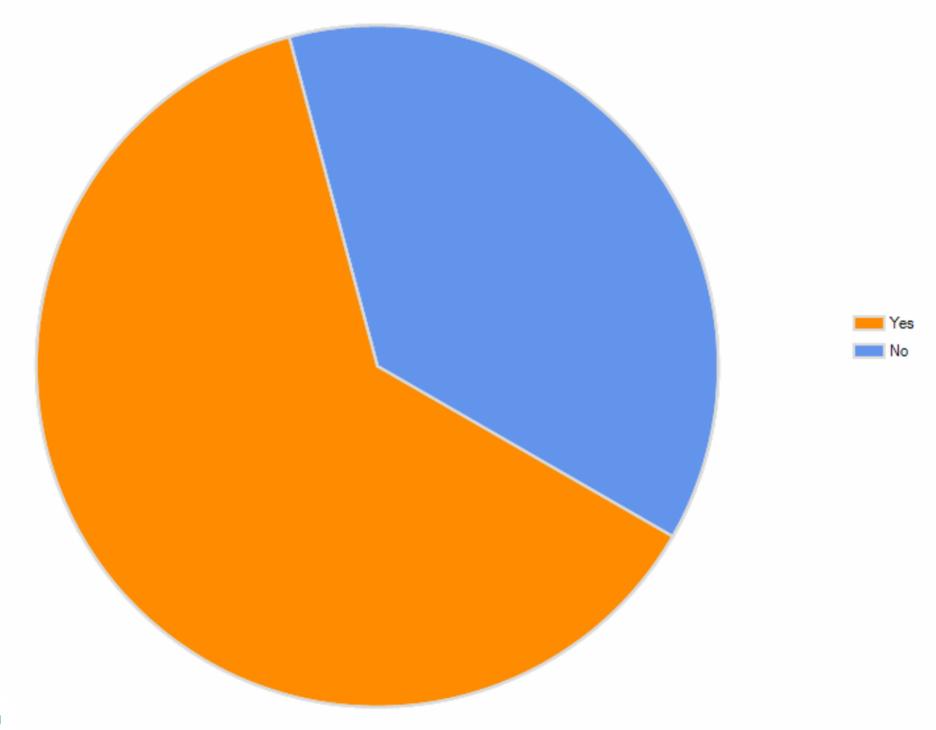
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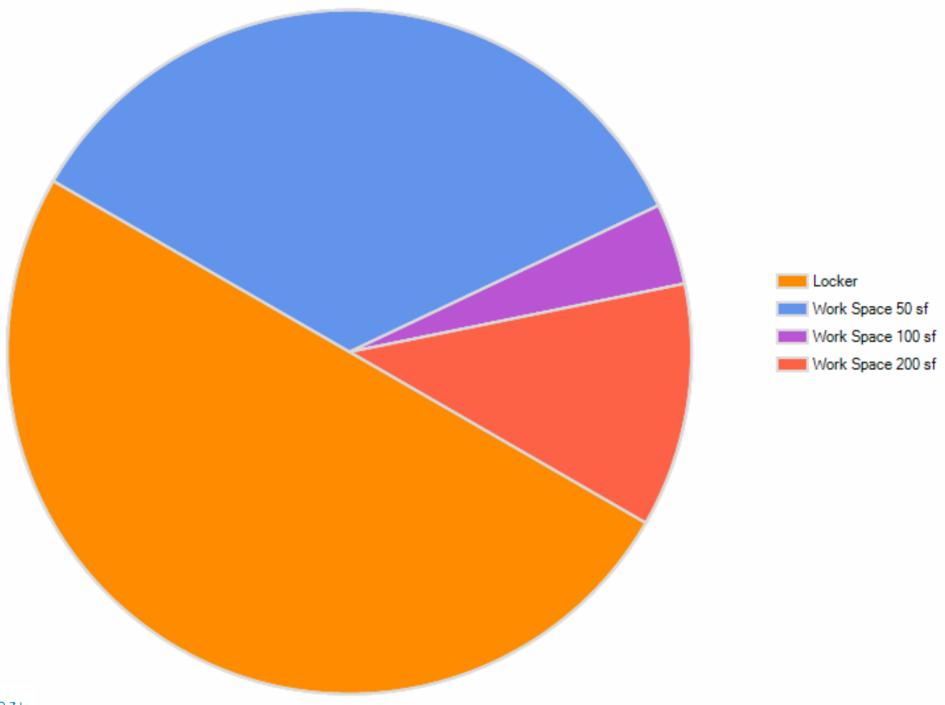




Would you rent space and/or storage for your own projects at Lowell Makes?



Select what size space you would most likely rent?





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