

ARROWMONT

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Basketry

Instructor: April Stone

Dates: October 12-17, 2025

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Black ash, also known as “Baapaagimaak” to the Ojibwe people around the shores of Lake Superior, has been used for making very strong baskets since pre-contact and is still used today as a basket material of choice in those geographical ranges. In this workshop, students will develop a deeper understanding of what it takes to retrieve the raw material from a harvested tree. During this workshop, students will practice splitting, scraping, and cutting the material with simple tools. Having this knowledge will allow students to prep the material to create a most useful basket for every day needs. Open to all skill levels.

WHAT TO BRING

- If a student has a favorite pair of scissors for cutting wood splint or a favorite knife for beveling thick wood edges, please feel free to bring those items along. Otherwise, all tools will be provided by the instructor.
- Flash drive (to protect and save data to and from Library computers)

Planning to purchase materials from the Supply Store for your workshop? Keep in mind that the Supply Store carries a limited selection and cannot guarantee that all materials listed by your instructor will be in stock. Please call **865-436-5860 Ext. 25** or email Celeste Rudd at **crudd@arrowmont.org** to reserve your selection prior to arrival.

MATERIALS FEES | **\$160.00-\$180.00**

Fees are assessed on an individual class basis and may vary from class to class depending on the amount of materials used and the number of students in the class, this keeps your out-of-pocket costs lower than a typical flat fee. Fees include all provided studio materials as assigned by the Instructor. Material fees are to be paid in the Supply Store no later than midday on the last day of workshop instruction.

Please be advised that the above course description and materials list has been written and approved by the instructor.

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