

Be a Demonstrator



Out Of The Woodwork

"We Are Such Stuff As Dreams Are Made On..."

Shakespeare, William. Tempest Act IV, Sc. 1

Out of the Woodwork (OOTW) Productions, producer of the Virginia Renaissance Faire (a historically based faire drawing its inspiration from Elizabethan England), is pleased to once again invite craftsmen and artisans from the community and local schools to demonstrate their skills and crafts during the Virginia Renaissance Faire. To maintain this historical integrity, we ask that craftsmen and artisans demonstrate skills and crafts in common usage during the 16th century wearing clothing appropriate to the period. Where possible, we encourage demonstrations that include hands on-interactions with guests.

- ❖ **Textiles** – Demonstration of a skill used to make and/or embellish cloth and clothing such as spinning, weaving, embroidery, lace making, etc.
- ❖ **Military** – In conjunction with the militia, discuss and demonstrate activities or skills associated with the militia or naval activities in the 16th century.
- ❖ **Occupations** – Discuss activities, skills, and education required to perform occupations common during the 16th century in Elizabethan England such as herbalist, midwife, barber surgeon, doctor, farmer, herder, etc.
- ❖ **Skills** – Demonstrate skills necessary to construct items necessary for life in Elizabethan England such as wood working, blacksmith, basket weaving, etc.
- ❖ **Arts** – Demonstrate artistic skills and techniques used up through the 16th century.
- ❖ **Other** – Demonstrate activities common during Elizabethan England or portray a persona from Elizabethan England. This persona must be approved and not currently portrayed by a member of the Virginia Renaissance Faire.

Groups and individuals are eligible to demonstrate at the Faire. Applications to be a demonstrator must be submitted by May 1, 2010.

For specific requirements or additional information to demonstrate at the Virginia Renaissance Faire, call (703) 508-5036, or email education@varf.org.