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#### Makelt Fest 2025 - It's back!

A Celebration of Innovation, Creativity, + Community –
We want YOU: The makers, the DIYers, the crafters, the tinkerers + thinkers,
the aspiring mad scientists!

**WHO + WHAT:** Makelt Labs to hold its signature free outdoor event – its first since 2019!

WHERE: Makelt Labs, 25 Crown St, Nashua, N.H. WHEN: Sat. May 31, 2025, from Noon to 5:00 p.m.

WHY: Makelt Fest will be a day of discovery, inspiration, and hands-on fun! Join us as an exhibitor, a

vendor, or a sponsor!

#### **ABOUT THE EVENT:**

This outdoor festival is free and open to the public. MakeIt Fest will bring together local makers, artists, craftsmen, and makerspaces for a vibrant showcase of creativity and innovation. Attendees will have the opportunity to explore unique projects, engage with hands-on demonstrations, and discover the wide range of resources that makerspaces provide. Several area makerspaces will be in attendance, making it an excellent chance to learn more about these collaborative spaces and the opportunities they offer.

## MakeIt Fest highlights will include:

- Live, hands-on Demonstrations & Exhibits: Including the "MakeIt A Thing" Contest!
- Interactive Activities: scheduled workshops, hands-on classes, and guided tours all day
- Caddy Couch: a cozy-cruising-creation, travel in comfort and style! Built at Makelt Labs, it features battery-powered electric motors
- Experience worldwide radio communications with the Makelt Labs Ham Radio Club
- Sumo Robot Competition: miniature robots battle it out in an exhilarating contest. If you don't have your own robot, program one of ours. Do feel free to bring your own robot!
- Raffle and Vendor Sales: enter to win fun prizes! Early-bird tickets at makeitfest.com include a free raffle ticket.

#### Join our exhibitors who are participating so far!

- Boo's Creations
- Don't Drive Like This
- Granite State Productions, LLC
- Immersive Slot Racing
- Lowell Kinetic Sculpture Race
- Lush Industrial
- Manchester Makerspace
- Oddball Engraving
- Spark Academy
- Tricia's Treasures
- Windy Ridge Makers
- Makelt Labs Members and Departments including: ceramics, 3D printing, art, sumo robots, textiles, HAM
  radio and more to come!

## To participate as an exhibitor and/or vendor:

Register here: https://makeitfest.com/call-for-particpants/

Deadline to register is May 15, 2025

## To be a sponsor:

Consider sponsoring almost any aspect of our celebration that speaks to you: from gift certificates to raffle items for the creative in your life including gizmos, gadgets, art supplies and crafting tools, to photography services. We will thank and mention you in our marketing materials, on our website, social media and in press releases and are happy to have info/signage about your organization/business on display at the event.

Register here to become a sponsor: <a href="https://makeitfest.com/become-a-sponsor/">https://makeitfest.com/become-a-sponsor/</a>

#### WHAT IS A MAKERSPACE?

A makerspace is a collaborative community workspace that provides access to tools, equipment, and educational resources for people interested in learning, building, and creating. Makelt Labs offers a wide range of tools, including 3D printers, laser cutters, CNC machines, woodworking and metalworking equipment, sewing machines, pottery wheels, and more. Makerspaces foster a supportive community of skilled individuals eager to share their expertise.

## **ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION:**

MakeIt Labs is a non-profit corporation registered in the State of New Hampshire and is a 501(c)(3) public charity. Our mission, since our founding in 2010 in Nashua, N.H., is to create a thriving open-access technology workshop where our community of passionate volunteers share their knowledge of science, technology, and the arts with each other and the larger community through peer-to-peer learning, supported by the tools and other resources available at our unique facility.

Members have access to our 20,000 sq. ft. facility divided into many distinct areas including the electronics and computer lab, wood shop, machine shop, welding/fabrication shop, automotive garage bay, rapid prototyping areas, classrooms, meeting spaces, lounge, kitchen and more. Socialize with like minds while relaxing in the lounge, or collaborate on a project at one of our workstations. The members of Makelt Labs are our greatest asset: a 100% volunteer organization, run by people passionate about helping others learn and create. Come be a part of our community of students, hobbyists, engineers, artists and more.

#### For more information:

Website: makeitfest.com Email: info@makeitfest.com

On Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/@makeitlabs

On Instagram: @makeitlabs

On X: @makeitlabs

On YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@MakeItLabs

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## MAKEITLABS\_MAKEITFEST-2025\_03

Photo Courtesy of Makelt Labs. From the inaugural Makelt Fest held in 2019 at the organization's Crown Street headquarters in Nashua, N.H. Demonstrating a handmade M & M color separator during the event.

## MAKEITLABS\_MAKEITFEST-2025\_04

Photo Courtesy of Makelt Labs. From the inaugural Makelt Fest held in 2019 at the organization's Crown Street headquarters in Nashua, N.H. Moni Cook at right, a Makelt Labs member, works on crafts with participants.

## **MAKEITLABS MAKEITFEST-2025 05**

Photo Courtesy of Makelt Labs. From the inaugural Makelt Fest held in 2019 at the organization's Crown Street headquarters in Nashua, N.H. Makelt Labs president Bill Schongar at upper right, discusses the finer points of 3D printing with visitors.

## MAKEITLABS\_MAKEITFEST-2025\_06

Photo Courtesy of Makelt Labs. From the inaugural Makelt Fest held in 2019 at the organization's Crown Street headquarters in Nashua, N.H. Artists such as Peter Ward are welcome to exhibit their works for sale during the event.

## MAKEITLABS\_MAKEITFEST-2025\_09

Photo Courtesy of Makelt Labs. From the inaugural Makelt Fest held in 2019 at the organization's Crown Street headquarters in Nashua, N.H. FIRST Robotics team, Tough Techs 151 of Nashua (a combined team from Nashua North and South), demonstrated a variety of robotics with different abilities during the event.