

Fort Standard

FURNITURE PRODUCTION AND FINISHING ASSISTANT

Introduction:

Fort Standard is a contemporary design studio producing heirloom quality products and furniture. Pairing high quality materials with an obsessive approach to craft, we believe in generating value through good design. We take great pride in all the work that we put into the world. We aim to hire others who take pride in their own work and can contribute to our small team.

Description:

We are seeking a full-time builder with both woodworking and finishing skills to work directly under our Lead Builder in our Greenpoint, Brooklyn woodshop. This position will be focused primarily on sanding and finishing but will assist in the production of additional designs as needed. As we are a small growing team, this position has the potential to grow as our needs continue to evolve.

The position requires physical labor and applicants must have 2+ years relevant hands-on building experience making hardwood furniture in a woodshop setting. Finishing experience is a plus. Specific training will be provided as needed.

Compensation is commensurate with experience. The position is 5 days/week from 9:00am –6:00pm.

We are a small team following COVID-19 safety protocols in a large workspace.

Skills & Requirements:

- Minimum 2+ years experience building furniture professionally
- Knowledge of general woodworking machinery and safety measures across the lathe, jointer, planer, table saw, band saw etc.
- Knowledge of various building materials, wood species and hardwood characteristics
- Experience sanding by hand and with power tools
- Experienced using a HVLP spray gun and applying hand rubbed oil finishes
- Comfortable working in a spray booth and wearing a respirator mask
- Familiar with reading shop drawings and able to read a ruler with basic math skills
- Ability to lift and carry significant weight such as large wood tabletops
- Ability to complete an 8 hour work day on your feet completing highly physical tasks
- Must be extremely detail oriented with a high level of craftsmanship
- Must be punctual and reliable with good communication skills
- Ability to work at a quick and intentional, safe pace
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Clean valid drivers license

Responsibilities:

- Follow COVID CDC safety guidelines both in and outside of work to create a safe space for the Fort Standard Team
- Assist Lead Builder to ensure the highest quality craftsmanship
- Production work includes: sanding, routing, planing and assembling furniture across wood and metal materials
- Managing inventory and organization of metal parts, including prepping metal parts prior to plating or powder coating
- Sand hardwood prior to finishing
- Spray and hand apply natural hardwood finishes
- Assist in furniture assembly and wrapping
- Assist with deliveries and pickups
- Assist with the other odd jobs when necessary. We all wear many hats
- Perform on-site touch ups and repairs when needed

Application:

*Applicants must include the following to be considered for the position:

1. Resume – Clearly list previous employers, positions held and length of time committed
2. Cover letter
3. Two References
4. Examples of past production and finishing work if possible

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