We offer year-round instruction for girls to bring their audacious ideas to life.

With three after-school sessions (Fall, Winter, Spring), 6 weeks of summer programs, and weekend workshops, girls can begin or continue along multiple pathways at Girls Garage. From woodworking and carpentry to MIG welding and screenprinting, our programs challenge girls to combine technical and creative skills with individual voice and community impact. All of our teen programming is offered at no cost, and full and partial scholarships are always available for paid programming for girls ages 9-13.
After-school classes

Our after-school sessions are offered in Fall, Winter, and Spring. Each class offers focused instruction in one skill area through a variety of creative building projects. Classes are taught by our all-female staff who have decades of experience as builders and educators.

**AFTER-SCHOOL SCHEDULE:**
- Fall session (8 weeks): Mid September – Mid November, Registration opens August 1
- Winter session (8 weeks): Late January – Mid March, Registration opens December 1
- Spring session (6 weeks): Mid April – Late May, Registration opens March 1

**Mondays, 4:30-6:30PM**
**ADVANCED DESIGN/BUILD**
**9TH-12TH GRADE**
Girls work together on full-scale design/build projects for community clients. Previous projects have included a greenhouse, an escape room, a parklet, and more!

**Tuesdays, 4:30-6:00PM**
**WELDING AND METAL PROJECTS**
**AGES 10-13**
In this course, girls work on small-scale metal projects using MIG welding, filing, grinding, and cutting techniques.

**Wednesdays, 4:30-6:00PM**
**PROTEST + PRINT**
**9TH-12TH GRADE**
Using printmaking and activist art techniques, girls work on graphic projects in response to pressing social, political, and personal issues. Projects have included protest poster collections and large-scale wheat paste wall installations.

**Thursdays, 5:00-6:30PM**
**CARPENTRY AND WOOD PROJECTS**
**AGES 9-13**
Our series of wood classes begin with hand tools, and work up to power tools and more complex woodworking through fun projects like gumball machines, toolboxes, furniture, and wooden spoons.
Our week-long summer sessions are a deep dive into the world of design and building! Every day from 9-4pm, girls use their creative voices and power tools to build real-world projects with a community impact. We also integrate activities and discussions about female leadership, confidence, STEM careers, fear, bravery, and how to support each other as girls and women.

REGISTRATION AND APPLICATIONS FOR ALL SUMMER PROGRAMS OPEN FEBRUARY 1.

YOUNG WOMEN’S DESIGN AND BUILDING INSTITUTE
3 WEEKS, MID-JUNE TO MID-JULY
9TH-12 GRADE
In a full week of design, building, creative problem-solving, and making in multiple media, girls ages 13-17 will design and build real-world projects for a community client. Previous projects have included furniture and a playhouse for a local women’s shelter, sandboxes and wind sculptures for nearby preschools, and a fruitstand for a refugee family-serving organization. Activities will integrate creative design exercises, technical skill-building, collaboration, and service-based design/build. The work is complemented by discussions and readings related to feminism, making, and community. This program is by application only, at no cost to participants if accepted, and limited to cohorts of 12 girls each.

DESIGN. BUILD. TRANSFORM
3 WEEKS, MID-JULY TO EARLY AUGUST
9-13 YEAR OLDS
Over a week-long “bootcamp for builders” experience, girls will design and build personal projects (their own toolbox!) as well as a larger collective project for a community client. Led by talented female educators and builders, girls will learn skills in carpentry, digital design, metalwork, and more to design a meaningful project for their community. Enrollment is capped at 24, with a maximum instructor:student ratio of 5:1.
For aspiring builders and makers of all ages, genders, and experience levels, we host weekend workshops for “quickfire” creative experiences. Ranging from screenprinting and blockprinting to Mother Daughter Builder/Bootcamp, these programs are a great way to get a taste of the Girls Garage builder spirit. Workshops are offered during Fall, Winter, and Spring.

CORPORATE AND EDUCATOR WORKSHOPS

Building is bonding, whether you’re 9 years old or 59 years old. We love welcoming corporate groups and teams of educators for a day of professional development or team-building (and real building!). Our previous workshops have included project-based learning and design thinking training for educators, a community planter box build with a team of female contractors, and DIY T-shirt screenprinting for companies.