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Summer is the time for solar!



April 4th Design and Installation Workshop

A new slate of workshops...



Well it's been a while since you all last heard from us but we're still

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here and we're thrilled to bring you a

series of new classes (as well as the old) for the summer. With our offerings we're trying to strike a balance between the DIY crowd and those of the career seeking mindset.

We're hoping to persuade some of the apparently-soon-to-be-released federal investment money in clean energy to find its way to us so we can start re-training the workforce in earnest. But in the meantime, we've put together a solid curriculum based on real world applications and let the hands-on workshops speak for themselves. Our biggest improvements always stem from student feedback so please be forthcoming with any you have to share. In addition, our more advanced workshops require a small student to teacher ratio so we must keep class sizes small. If you find the class you want is full, let us know and we'll schedule more as we find they are warranted. For your convenience, each class below is linked to a further class description and a registration page.

- **April 18th: Biodiesel Workshop.** Taught by Chis Continanza. A hands-on introduction to making your own biodiesel.
- **April 26/27: PV 102: Intro to Battery Backup.** Taught by Brandon Mathis, this 2 day workshop will have students design and assemble a stand alone system.
- **May 2: PV 101: Intro to Solar.** Taught by Maverick Brown, this discussion based class will discuss theory of photovoltaics and electricity, the history of the solar industry, and applications for solar today.

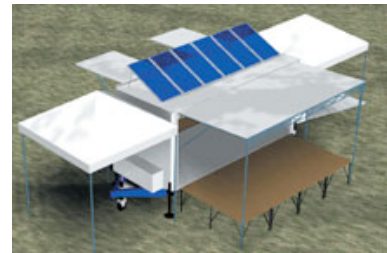
Solar Tuesdays & Events



A student learns how to make site evaluations using a solar pathfinder tool.

Sustainable Waves

Sustainable Waves is our parent company. They custom build solar stages that power events for the live entertainment industry.



• **May 30: PV 167: Inverter Training.** Taught by Roy Dyngen of Outback Power Systems, this class will teach students about inverter technology.

• **EV 101: Electric Vehicle Basics.** Taught by Revolt, this class will discuss different types of EV's, compare costs, components, and environmental impacts of each. Date: TBA



Students learn to mount panels on a mock roof.

Partner Highlight: Maverick Solar



Hubbert's Peak is proud to partner

with Maverick Solar to bring our students the best equipment in the industry. A family owned and operated solar supply company, Maverick Solar is the one stop shop for both do-it-yourselfer's and professional installers. The school makes use of both their products and expertise. Owner and solar expert, Maverick Brown, instructs for Hubbert's Peak and will be teaching several upcoming workshops. Please share in our excitement and register for one.

Solar Tuesdays Live Music

Hubbert's Peak and the Texas Green Network will be hosting a dual event on Tuesday April 28th.

From 4pm to 7pm: **Texas Green Network** monthly meeting with guest speakers, food, refreshments, vendor booths for your company, and of course opportunities to rub shoulders with the best and brightest of Austin's green business community.

From 7pm to 10pm:

Solar Tuesdays is back! After the TGN meeting, take a load off and enjoy some pollution-free live entertainment on a solar powered stage. Food and refreshments will be provided, please BYOB. A \$5 donation to Hubbert's Peak is very much appreciated.



A student tests battery bank voltage.

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Involvement Opportunities

We're often asked if we offer financial assistance for our classes. Starting in January we'll begin a worktrade program at Hubbert's Peak. Students will be able to volunteer their time for workshop credit. Based on availability, 2 workdays at the solar campus will afford students a one day workshop pass.

We are also looking to fill a part-time internship position. The job requires experience in web and graphic design and is available immediately. For inquiries into either of these please contact classes@hubbertspeak.org.

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"We seek to be a demonstration laboratory that provides a venue for the alternative energy industry to demonstrate new technologies as they develop. Our philosophy values the balance of theory and application as a meaningful learning tool. Recognizing the role of energy in our global community, the school will foster the ideals of sustainable growth, public service, and global understanding."

Kenny Grigar speaks to a group about wiring solar panels in series.



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