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# NEW TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

## FEBRUARY 2021

**RIBA continues the Contractor Training Program in February and the expansion of its educational offerings for Members & Employees! Also, for the month of February, all RI Residential Contractors are eligible to take the classes noted below for FREE subject to enrollment in the Contractor Development Program.\***

### **February 1 | 8am-10am**

#### **Understanding QuickBooks Online**

**2 credit hours – taught by Theresa Martin**

This course will help the construction company to better understand QuickBooks Online and good bookkeeping practices.

### **February 2 | 8am-10am**

#### **7 Secrets to Set You Apart When Selling Your Projects**

**No credit hours for this class – taught by Allan Langer**

Join best-selling author and industry expert, Allan Langer, as he breaks down a simple selling system that will help you stand out and win more jobs.

### **February 3 | 8am-10:30am**

#### **Windows and Doors**

**2½ credit hours – taught by Don Hamel**

The course will teach the basic design of residential window and door installations.

### **February 5 | 8am-1pm**

#### **Residential Blueprint Reading**

**5 credit hours – taught by Carlos Lora**

An introduction to the area of residential blueprint reading, construction documents/calculations, and project specifications. Learn to read the legend, details, specifications, effectively use a scale ruler and find the different trade sections of blueprints/ drawings.

### **February 8 | 8am-10:00am**

#### **Hardwood Flooring**

**2 credit hours – taught by Mike Sarah**

This class will discuss the different materials used for flooring and which are best used in situations, traditional raw wood installation versus prefinished hardwood, how to finish raw wood, best practices for refinishing hardwood floors and how to design a hardwood flooring layout for one or more spaces.

### **February 10 | 8am-10:30am**

#### **Accounting and Cash Flow**

**2½ credit hours – taught by David Lucier**

This course will help a contractor understand the basics of accounting and how to manage cash flow.

### **February 11 | 8:30am-11:30am**

#### **Healthy Homes: Indoor Air Quality**

**2 credit hours – taught by Jeremy Dagold**

Learn what contributes to poor indoor air quality and what can be done to improve the air in new and existing homes to better assist your customer/client.

### **February 12 | 8am-11am**

#### **Kitchen Design and Installation**

**3 credit hours – taught by Jason Oliveira**

The basics of designing a well-planned kitchen and how to install the cabinetry. It will cover the design process: material choices for cabinets and counters, utility and appliance placement, traffic flow and storage. Installation tips and tricks will also be covered.

### **February 16 | 8am-12pm**

#### **Lead RRP Refresher**

**4 credit hours – taught by Scott Asprey**

This 4-hour class is a refresher course for contractors who have their lead renovator/remodeler certification, and it is coming up for renewal. We will be reviewing lead hazard controls and updating attendees with any changes to regulations.

### **February 17 | 8am-10:30am**

#### **Legal and insurance issues for the contractor**

**No credit hours – taught by Merrill Friedemann, Esq., George Lough, Esq., and Chuck Lowe**

Do you have questions on: Your corporate structure; your insurance (what is needed, what is covered, what is NOT covered); or Workers Compensation?

### **February 19 | 8am-1pm**

#### **Residential Estimating**

**5 credit hours – taught by Carlos Lora**

This covers basic construction math and how it is used to estimate the labor and material costs of a residential construction project. Knowledge of blueprint reading is advised.

### **February 22 | 9am-10am**

#### **Construction Safety Protocols for COVID-19**

**1 credit hour- taught by John Marcantonio, Executive Officer, RIBA**

Worker personal responsibilities. Social distancing. General jobsite and office practices. Personal protective equipment (PPE). Sanitation and cleanliness. Jobsite visitors. Workers entering occupied buildings.

### **February 24 & 25 | 8am-3pm (both days)**

#### **OSHA 10 Training**

**No RI credit hours but OSHA 10 card is issued- taught by Scott Asprey**

Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Outreach Training Program's safety course covers general safety and health hazards for entry-level workers.

### **February 26 | 8am-12pm**

#### **Critical Roof Details & Water Mgt for Walls**

**4 credit hours – taught by Mike Guertin**

Topics Include: Roof underlayment options and installation, ice barrier installation requirements, sealed roof deck system and flashing details. Water-resistive barrier materials and installation, wall flashing codes, and rainscreen installation.

**ALL February classes will be  
taught via ZOOM teleconference.**



\* The Contractor Development Program is sponsored by Real Jobs, DLT and the Residential Workforce Partnership.

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**All classes are approved by the RICRLB for continuing education credits, unless otherwise indicated.**

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