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7pm

The Long Time
5707 North Dunlap Rd
Austin, TX 78725

Making a Life

A BOOK PARTY & CONVERSATION



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Why do we
make things
by hand?
And why do
we make them
beautiful?

Featured Guests

MAURA AMBROSE of Bastrop, Texas, is a quilter and natural dye artist and the creative force behind Folk Fibers.

DAN DYER is a singer-songwriter who divides his time between touring, doing custom welding work, and building a home and restoring land on property outside of Austin.

MELANIE FALICK is an independent writer, editor, and creative director—and a lifelong maker. She is the author of *Making a Life*.

JACK SANDERS is the owner of the Long Time and Design Build Adventure, a working studio and collaborative design, architecture, art, yoga, welding, and baseball community.

About The Book

Melanie Falick went on a transformative journey through the world of contemporary makers, to meet quilters and potters, weavers and painters, welders and woodworkers. In the process, she uncovered truths that have been speaking to us for millennia yet feel urgently relevant today: We make in order to slow down. To connect with others. To express ideas and emotions, feel competent, create something tangible and long-lasting. And to feed the soul. With revealing stories and original photos, *Making a Life* captures the joy of making and attests to its vital role it in our modern lives.

Join us for an inspiring evening of conversation about the joy of making and the power it has to give our lives authenticity and meaning.

Celebrate the release of *Making a Life: Working by Hand and Discovering the Life You Are Meant to Live*.

The festivities begin at 7pm with a wandering happy hour around The Long Time ranch and the chance to cut metal in the workshop. Then we'll gather on the porch where *Making a Life* author Melanie Falick and local makers Jack Sanders, Dan Dyer, and Maura Ambrose will start the dialogue.

This event is free. Please join the conversation!

Books will be available for sale from BookPeople.