

we're hosting an event **STEELDAY2009**



Fabricator Tours: Megquier & Jones - South Portland, ME

Witness the heart of the structural steel supply chain by visiting a steel fabricator near you on SteelDay 2009.

Learn how off-site, controlled conditions coupled with BIM and advanced machinery ensure a consistently high-quality product and reduce or eliminate errors and fixes at the job site.

Megquier & Jones, a supplier and fabricator of structural steel, has been providing steel for the pulp & paper industry, bridges, parking garages and pedestrian walkways, etc, for over 100 years.

Beyond 'traditional' structural fabrication their services now also include pre-engineered, pre-manufactured light gauge steel roof trusses. These light-weight, non-combustible trusses have become an economical choice for residential and commercial building needs.

Attendees will experience tours of both structural steel fabrication and light gauge steel truss fabrication. Attire is casual and safety gear will be provided where possible (bring your own safety glasses if you have them).

More information and updates about this event can be found at www.MegJones.com

Date: September 18, 2009
Time: 11am -> (all day)
Event Type: Facility tours of both fabrication shops
Location: 1156 Broadway
South Portland, ME 04106
(see www.MegJones.com)
Of interest to: Architects, Engineers, Contractors, Developers

Attendees will learn about the processes steel fabricators go through from receiving the steel through to shipping steel to the job site. Participants are encouraged to ask questions throughout.



About Structural Steel Fabricators

Steel fabricators typically have the closest relationships with the design and contracting community. They receive the steel contract from the general contractor and then orchestrate the supply chain to fulfill the contract. There are around 2,500 fabricators in the U.S., serving every corner of the nation.

One of the major advantages of building with structural steel is the quality of the fabrication process. Off-site fabrication allows for a quality controlled environment unaffected by climate and weather changes, or by adverse site conditions. The nature of the material allows it to be fabricated to very close tolerances and at every stage of fabrication the steel is inspected to help guarantee a quality product and eliminate mistakes and costly site work.

Fabrication itself consists of tasks such as cutting, drilling, punching, shearing, welding, piece assembly and assembly of complex geometry and trusses. Fabricators have invested in advanced computer-controlled (CNC) machinery and material-handling equipment to perform the more common tasks such as cutting to length, drilling and shape burning. The CNC machines are extremely fast and efficient and are fed automatically from the BIM systems used by the detailers.

To register for this event: www.SteelDay.org

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