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## **Generator Maker Space Opens With Launch Event on March 29th**

Burlington, VT: (March 18, 2014) Generator, Burlington's new Maker Space, is pleased to announce that it will open to the public on Saturday March 29th with a launch party from 4-8pm. Generator is located at 250 Main Street in Burlington's Memorial Auditorium Annex. The launch party will feature tours, equipment demonstrations, music and cash bar (from 6-8pm) a grilled cheese and tomato soup bar and more. This is a family friendly event that is free and open to the public.

Generator, Burlington's new Maker Space, is a combination of artist studio, classroom, and business incubator focused on the act of making things. Generator exists at the intersection of art, science and technology and as such creates a community of collaboration between artists, engineers, entrepreneurs, and artisans. Makers of all kinds, novice or professional, can sign-up for membership, rent a studio space, or take a class. Generator's objective is to foster a hybrid hive of activity that creates a fertile environment for innovation, creativity and idea fulfillment.

Generator tools for member and class use include advanced rapid prototyping capability (Stratasys uPrint 3D printer, Epilog Fusion 32" laser cutter, Roland CNC milling machine), a 24" Blackcat Cougar Vinyl Cutter, Mac and PC workstations with software for data visualization, 3D modeling and app development, electronic test equipment, circuit assembly, Arduino and electronic fabrication supplies, six soldering stations, gigabit Internet access (some of the fastest in New England) and the hardware required for next generation high speed Internet application development jewelry design and production, as

well as a variety of hand and power tools and more to be added.

Generator partners include Champlain College, Burlington City Arts, Burlington Parks & Recreation, The University of Vermont, CEDO, Smith Buckley Architects, Burlington Telecom, Vermont Makers, Logic Supply, Champlain Maker Faire, Lab B, Gravel and Shea, Vermont Woodworking School, Burlington College, Surdna Foundation, Peter Swift and Diana McCargo, Metz Family, Mary & Tom Evslin.

The Launch Party is an important part of Generator, Burlington's new maker space. Generator is a combination of artist studio, classroom, and business incubator focused on the act of making things. Generator exists at the intersection of art, science and technology and as such creates a community of collaboration between artists, engineers, entrepreneurs, and artisans. For more information about studio space, membership, events, classes and workshops, please visit generatorvt.com.

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