

GAWoodturners

The Georgia Association of Woodturners



GAW Newsletter—March 2022

President's Message

The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW) is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), dedicated to providing education, information and organization to those interested in woodturning. GAW serves those in the metro-Atlanta area. Click [here](#) to follow us on Facebook.

When:

Third Thursday of each month at
6:30 PM-

Where: Currently Online: Look for
the link in your email!

Meetings are open to all!

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I hope everyone enjoyed our Saturday IRD by Chris Parker from the UK. This month's IRD will be Thursday March 17th with Rick Urban presenting "Piercing for Mere Mortals." I hope to see everyone at this month's meeting.

The club lathe is in town and will be ready for us to use when we find a place to do our in person meetings again. I want to thank everyone who donated money toward the purchase of the Club lathe. I also want to thank Wayne Johnson who has taken on the task of trying finding GAW a place to have our meetings in person again. He has been checking out a number locations and we will let you know when we find a place. COVID may have put us in this position of having Zoom IRD's over the last two years, and current gas prices maybe be a good reason for us to keep doing Zoom IRD's. I hope everyone has paid their membership dues for 2022. If you haven't paid membership dues for 2022, you can do so [HERE](#).

The Club is still looking for someone to help plan the 2023 Symposium, if you are interested or know of someone please let a board member know we need to get started on the planning.

Thank You,

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March Remote GAW Meeting—Looking Ahead

Our demonstrator for March will be Rick Urban who will be presenting *Piercing for Mere Mortals*.

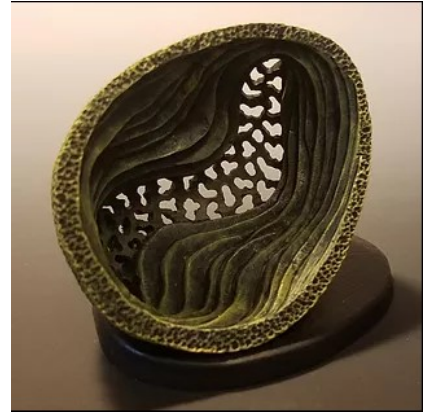
Rick's objective will be to help you get started with piercing, including techniques that begin on the lathe to create an appropriate canvas for your aesthetic expression. He will be talking about tools, guidelines, and techniques to get you started.

There is a handout for this meeting which can be found [HERE](#).

Rick in his own words:

“My name is Rick Urban, and I am a Shaper of Wood. I began doing that regularly with a wood lathe in 2003, experimenting with all manner of tools, techniques, styles, and designs for the next decade and a half. At some point I realized I was spending as much time off the lathe as on the lathe, so I became a wood shaper.”

Rick's Website: rickurbanwoodturner.com



February Remote GAW Meeting—Looking Back

Our February demonstrator was Chris Parker live from the UK! Chris is a full-time turner, artist, demonstrator & teacher, who enjoys being able to pass his knowledge on to others. His demonstration was *The Power of Texture*. More about Chris in his own words:



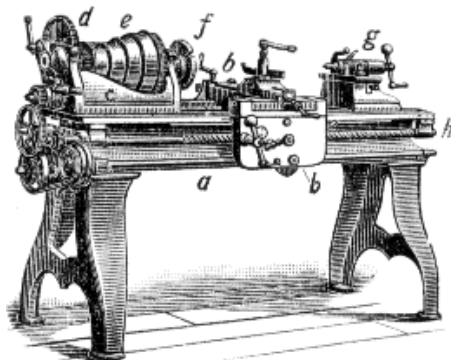


Reminder: Do NOT Use Fractal Burning!

Steve Pritchard came across an article from Australia that points out that another person was killed by using a Lichtenberg or Fractal Burning machine. This is a method of embellishment using high voltage electrical current burn “fractals” into wood.



While the process does create interesting etchings in wood, several people have been killed using these devices. Since there is such a high level of danger and risk with these devices the AAW has banned their use—work using this technique is excluded from AAW exhibits and articles dealing with this technique are also excluded from any AAW publications. You can see the AAW article entitled *Fractal burning has killed and could kill you* [here](#). The latest case, from Australia, can be read [here](#). The bottom line is that this technique should be avoided because of the extreme danger. There are so many other embellishment methods available to us—please use any of those instead!



Lathe, p. 1218.

We still need donations for the club lathe so that we can have in person demo's when we go back to in-person meetings. You can help [HERE](#).



Have you been joining us for our Interactive Remote Demonstrations (IRDs) monthly? As much as we miss getting together in person, social distancing restrictions mandate that we continue to meet remotely, so IRDs are here to stay for awhile. Here is a short Zoom tutorial from John Kelsey of the Lancaster (PA) Area Woodturners, compliments of the AAW.

Zoom for newbies

To participate in virtual meetings you'll need to download the FREE Zoom software.

Desktop and laptop computer users should go online to zoom.us, join as a free basic member by entering your email and a password, and look under the "resources" tab for the download. Smartphone users, go to your app store for "zoom cloud computing." There are many concise videos on line showing you how to install and start Zoom.

Joining the meeting. When you receive an invitation in your email, just look for the Zoom link to join meeting, and click it.

Full screen. In the meeting, look in the upper right corner of your screen and click "enter full screen," to see the biggest picture.

Views. Also in the upper left, you'll see either "Speaker View" or "Gallery View," click to switch. In Gallery View, you see Hollywood Squares. In Speaker View, the person talking fills your screen. You can switch back and forth.

Mute/Unmute. Look in the lower left corner of your screen for a wee microphone, here you can Mute your sound, and Unmute. Switch back and forth to see how it works; in many setups, the space bar acts as a "press to talk" switch.

Smartphones will show a bigger better picture if you turn them sideways.

More Zoom controls appear as icons on the bottom of the screen. You can experiment with them.

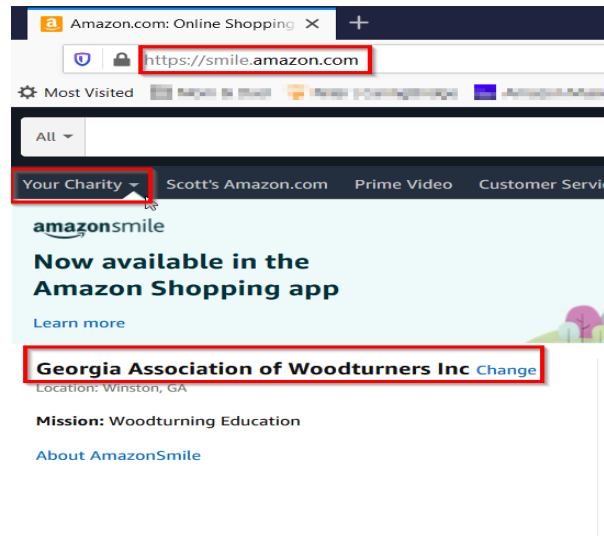
Exit. Click "Leave the Meeting," in red at lower right, to end the session.

See you at the virtual meeting!

Help the GAW When You SHOP!

A reminder to all that you can help the GAW when you shop on Amazon.com. Instead of Amazon.com, enter the URL Smile.Amazon.com. When you shop on Amazon Smile a percentage of you purchases is donated to charity. And, the GAW is registered as one of the Amazon Smile charities!

Once you log in there is a menu selection “My Charity” where you can select the GAW as your charity!



Tell your friends to sign up for AAW's FREE membership!

Did you know that your friends and chapter colleagues can sign up to get all the benefits of online AAW membership FREE? Once they sign up, they'll get full access to all digital content including AAW publications *American Woodturner* and *Woodturning FUNDamentals*. Plus, they'll get a digital membership card, weekly and bimonthly e-newsletters, and have access to Explore, Video Source, online learning portals, optional public profile as a Demonstrator and/or Maker with image availability, and more. All of this is **FREE** for up to 90 days.

Here's where to sign up:

[Affiliate Membership: For friends who are members of local chapters.](#)

[Guest Membership: For friends who are unaffiliated with a chapter.](#)

Request from AAW Board

AAW Board of Directors

Do you have business and interpersonal skills, along with a desire to help lead the AAW into the future? The AAW nominating committee is seeking candidates with a diversity of skills in areas such as finance, strategic planning, non-profit governance or legal matters. After interviewing all candidates, six will be selected to run for a three-year Board position, beginning January 2, 2023. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2022. Know someone who you think would make a good board member, please send me their contact information. If you would like more information please contact me at 678-642-1700 or lbritt@comcast.net.

~~Linda Britt AAW Board VP



Virtual Instant Gallery

VIRTUAL INSTANT GALLERY

While we are meeting virtually, our instant gallery must be virtual as well. Our monthly virtual meeting will contain a slide show of all work submitted up to **TWO days prior to the meeting date.**

If you have a piece that you want to show at the next meeting, please:

- Take a photograph of your work
- Write a description of the work
- Send each picture to editor@gawoodturner.org
- Include a description of the piece as you would at a meeting.
- They will be included in the next newsletter's "Virtual" Instant Gallery and shown at the next remote meeting.

Instant Gallery Woods and “Other Materials”

Woods

1. Acacia	28. Butternut	57. Iroko	86. Movingui	117. Rosewood, Brazilian
2. African Blackwood	29. Buttonwood	58. Ironwood	87. Mulberry	118. Rosewood, Yucatan
3. Albizia (Flat Crown)	30. Camellia	59. Ironwood, Southern	88. Nara	119. Royal Palm
4. Albizia Lebbeck	31. Camphor	60. Jatoba	89. Norfolk Island Pine	120. Sapele
5. Angelique	32. Canarywood	61. Juniper	90. Oak	121. Satinwood, Nigerian
6. Apple	33. Cape Beech	62. Katalox	91. Oak, English Brown	122. Sea Grape
7. Ash	34. Catalpa	63. Kingwood	92. Oak, Live	123. Shedua
8. Ash, White	35. Cedar	64. Koa	93. Oak, Post	124. Sourwood
9. Aspen	36. Chakte Viga	65. Larch/Tamarack	94. Oak, Red	125. Sweet Gum
10. Australian Brown Mallee	37. Cherry	66. Leopardwood	95. Oak, Water	126. Sycamore
11. Australian Pine	38. Cherry, Yashino	67. Lignum Vitae	96. Oak, White	127. Sycamore, English
12. Australian Red Morrell	39. Chinese Chestnut	68. Locust	97. Orange Agate	128. Tali
13. Australian Yellow Box	40. Chinese Privet	69. Longan, Dimocarpus	98. Osage Orange	129. Tasmanian Rose Myrtle
14. Australian White Top Burl	41. Cedar, Spanish	70. Madrone	99. Padauk	130. Teak
15. Autumn Olive	42. Chinaberry	71. Magnolia	100. Paulownia	131. Tulip Poplar
16. Balsa	43. Cocobolo	72. Mahogany	101. Pear	132. Tulipwood
17. Beech	44. Coolibah (Eucalyptus Coolibah)	73. Mahogany, Cuban	102. Pear, Bradford	133. Walnut
18. Birch, Masur	45. Costello	74. Makore	103. Pear, Bartlett	134. Walnut, Brazilian
19. Birch, River	46. Crepe Myrtle	75. Maple, (Ambrosia)	104. Pecan	135. Walnut, Claro
20. Birch, Sweet	47. Cryptomeria	76. Maple, (Birdseye)	105. Persimmon	136. Wenge
21. Blackwood	48. Dogwood	77. Maple, Big Leaf	106. Pine	137. Yellowheart
22. Blackwood, African	49. Ebony	78. Maple, Red	107. Pine, Eastern White	138. Zebrawood
23. Bloodwood	50. Elm	79. Maple, Hard	108. Pine, Norfolk Island	
24. Blue Mahoe	51. Eucalyptus	80. Maple, Silver	109. Pink Ivory	
25. Box Elder	52. Ginkgo	81. Maple, Soft	110. Plum	
26. Buckeye	53. Hickory	82. Mesquite	111. Poplar	
27. Bulbinga	54. Holly	83. Mimosa	112. Privet	
	55. Hop-hornbeam	84. Mora	113. Purpleheart	
	56. Ipe	85. Monkeypod	114. Redbud	
			115. Red Tip Photina	
			116. Rosewood	

Other Materials

1. Black Rice
2. Dymalux
3. Rose Bush Stem
4. Tagua Nut



Wood Safety

Following is a link to a Fine Woodworking chart (with information drawn from several professional organizations) that lists woods that are known to cause respiratory problems and/or allergic reactions:

<http://www.finewoodworking.com/1977/12/01/toxic-woods>

AAW also has information on wood toxicity: <http://www.woodturner.org/default.asp?page=toxicity>

Another list of Wood Allergies and Toxicity: <https://www.wood-database.com/wood-articles/wood-allergies-and-toxicity/>

Always protect yourself from wood dust, especially when sanding—just because a wood doesn't appear on the list doesn't mean its dust should be breathed!

Calendar of Events				
Date	Name	Topic	Event	Location
Feb 26, 2022	Chris Parker	The Power of Texture	Monthly Meeting	Remote
March 17, 2022	Eric Urban	Piercing for Mere Mortals	Monthly Meeting	Remote
April 21, 2022	Alan Stratton	Introduction to Segmented Turning	Monthly Meeting	Remote
Jun 23-26 2022	AAW Symposium		Chattanooga, TN	

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The following GAW club members give private woodturning instruction in their own shops. Contact them for more information.			
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Woodturning Schools in the Southeast

The following schools in the Southeast offer classes in woodturning, as well as other arts and crafts. Check out their websites to see the scheduled course offerings.

[John C. Campbell Folk School](#)

[Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts](#)

[Highland Woodworking](#)

[Appalachian Center for Craft](#)

[Woodcraft of Atlanta](#)

DVD and Video Tape Library

The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW) has instructional VHS and DVD videos available for rental before each GAW meeting. A partial listing of the videos is on the GAW website here. Only members may rent tapes and DVDs. Rentals are \$2.00 per month. Rentals are limited to 2 tapes or DVDs and the items must be re-



turned the following month. Late fees of \$2.00 per month will be assessed for each item not returned on time.

Editor's Note

Newsletter Content - Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions for the Newsletter. Each month I look for some little additional content for the newsletter I welcome your shop notes, safety tips, links to interesting woodturning websites, items for sale or exchange, etc. And if you see something humorous that has a woodturning or woodworking connection, pass it along. You can reach me via email (editor@gawoodturner.org, at the monthly meetings, or by phone (770-872-0910).

Woodturning Resources

American Association of Woodturners Woodturning Association	Woodturning tools and more	Woodworking and Hardware	Figured and Exotic woods
Tools and Supplies	JT Turning Tools Woodturning tools & accessories	Woodturners Wonders Lathe lamps & CBN wheels	Big Monk Lumber Exotic woods
Bear Tooth Woods Specialty pen kits	Lyle Jamieson Tools Hollowing tools	Woodturningz Pen kits and woodturning supplies	Century Tree Turnings Woodturning blanks
Best Wood Tools Specialized woodturning tools	OneWay Manufacturing Lathes and accessories	Magazines	Got Wood? Source of Wood turning blanks from Piedmont area of South Carolina
Craft Supply Woodturning Supplies	Packard Woodturning Supplies	More Woodturning Woodturning magazine	Hardwoods Incorporated Specialty Hardwoods
Craft ID Signature medallions	Peachtree Woodworking Supply Turning and carving tools, supplies	Woodturning The British woodturning magazine	North Woods Figured Wood from Northwest Oregon
Earth's Watch Wooden jewelry and watches	Penn State Woodturning tools, supplies	Wood magazine Forum www.woodmagazine.com Q & A on Woodturning	Two Tree Boyz Wood Selling locally harvested green wood Contact Elizabeth Ross at twotreeboyz@yahoo.com
Franck Johannesen Woodturning	Rockler Woodworking and Hardware	Websites	
Geiger's Solutions Robust Lathes and accessories	Ron Brown's Best Woodturning tools and videos	AAW Video Library AAW's growing collection of instructional videos	
Klingspor Abrasives and woodturning supplies	Sanding Glove Abrasives and sanding equipment	Woodturning Videos Excellent woodturning videos	
Hartville Tool Woodworking Tools	SS Niles Bottle Stoppers Stainless steel bottle stoppers	Mike Peace's Woodturning YouTube Channel Mike adds new woodturning videos each week	
Highland Woodworking Woodworking tools, supplies	Thompson Lathe Tools High quality steel woodturning tools	Wood Sources	
Hunter Tool Systems Carbide woodturning tools	Vinces WoodNWonders Sanding products	AustralianBurls Burls from Australia	
Hut Products Woodturning tools, supplies	Woodcraft of Atlanta	Bell Forest	
John Jordan Woodturning			

GAW Club members can get 15% discount on website wood purchases from North Woods. Use coupon code "WOODTURNERS" at checkout.



Closing

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