

GAWoodturners

The Georgia Association of Woodturners



GAW Newsletter— May 2023

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: [TFAC](#)

1856 Columbia Dr, Decatur, GA

Meetings are open to all!

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I hope to see everyone at the meeting on Thursday. Tim will be presenting natural edge bowls. I hope everyone has been turning. Please bring some of your turnings for Show and Tell. Also we are still looking for members to help on the board if you are willing to help please let a board member know.

Thank you,

Hans

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May GAW Meeting—Looking Ahead

For the May GAW Members Meeting the evening of 5/18, Tim Robertson, one of our members, will demonstrate turning a Natural Edge Bowl. The picture below is an unfinished flame boxelder heart shaped bowl from a crotch piece of timber. It is an example of the piece Tim plans to turn.

Tim comments on his woodturning journey:

I was introduced to woodturning in 1971 by a boy scout leader. I enjoyed turning and started by building my first homemade wood lathe. My first two lathes were homemade and as the years passed, I owned most of the Craftsman lathe models. About 20 years ago I became serious about woodturning. To learn more about the craft, I experimented with different techniques and materials, attended workshops, seminars and watched videos to learn more techniques. I also read books and magazines to keep up with woodturning trends. I have been fortunate to receive training from David Ellsworth, Glenn Lucas, Stuart Batty, and Mark Sillay to mention a few. I have started making natural edge bowls from many wood species and now really enjoy working with different shapes and wood species. I find that natural edge bowls are exciting projects, as each piece of wood has its own unique shape and character. Creating something beautiful out of wood is one of my favorite things to do.



Over the last few years I have demonstrated for turning clubs the turning of natural edge and traditional bowls, platters, pepper mills, lidded boxes, threading techniques and tool sharpening. I've operated treadle lathes, spring pole lathes, and most of the name brands. I am now blessed to have a well equipped shop with three wood lathes and lots of turning tools.

April GAW Meeting— Looking Back



The demonstrator for April was our own Dan Douthart. Dan demonstrated an “**Offset Box**”. These offset boxes are patterned after the Commissionaire’s Box on page 130 of Chris Stott’s book titled “**Turned Boxes 50 Designs**”. (Now out of print and hard to find.)

A shop made eccentric chuck was used to perform the off center turning portion, which produces the unique shape.





TOOL EXCHANGE and WOOD SALE

Sponsored by Atlanta Woodturners' Guild

Saturday, MAY 20, 2023 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

At WOODCRAFT OF ATLANTA's Outside Parking Lot

8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd., #115

Alpharetta, GA 30022

Area Clubs will gather together while promoting Woodturning celebrating our return to in-person demonstrations.

GAW will have reserved a space that you are welcome to use part of. Bring all those tools you do not use and would like to sell to someone who will. Bring any kind of tools (no, they do not have to be woodturning tools), finished pieces, wood products, raw wood.

There will be woodturning demos by Mark Sillay and Harvey Meyer on the sidewalk outside the store. Ken Rizza from Woodturners Wonders will be there with his woodturning products and Woodcraft of Atlanta has all manner of wood-working/turning tools to choose from. Used tools! New tools! Demos!

Admission for the general public is free. See you there!



Instant Gallery

We will be back in-person this month, so I hope to see lots of work at the instant gallery. For those who can't make it or wish to attend by Zoom, you can submit entries to:

editor@gawoodturner.org

Let's return to the days when most of the newsletter was taken up with Instant Gallery entries!

Remember to include

- ◆ Your name
- ◆ Wood species (as many as are included in your turning)
- ◆ Finishes

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
Apr 20, 2023	Dan Douthart	Offset Box	Monthly Meeting	TFAC/Zoom
May 18, 2023	Tim Robertson	Natural Edge Bowl	Monthly Meeting	TFAC/Zoom
Jun 1-4 2023	AAW International Symposium			Louisville, KY
Jun 15, 2023	Mike Peace	Adding Pizazz with Texture and Spiraling	Monthly Meeting	TFAC/Zoom
July 20, 2023	TBD	TBD	Monthly Meeting	
Aug 17, 2023	TBD	TBD	Monthly Meeting	
Sep 21, 2023	Harvey Meyer	Hollow Globe Ornament	Monthly Meeting	TFAC/Zoom

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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

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

The opinions expressed in this monthly newsletter of the Georgia Association of Woodturners, do not necessarily reflect those of the Editor, Officers, or the GAW. Woodturning Schools and Instructors listed in this Newsletter are not recommended or endorsed by the GAW, but are made available to the GAW members and others as a convenience only. Your GAW questions, comments and suggestions are always welcome.

Date: _____

GAW Instant Gallery



Turner's Name: _____

Piece Name: _____

Wood Species: _____

Finish: _____

Any notes of interest, e.g. where you got the wood, any lesson learned in doing the project, etc.:

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