

GAWoodturners

The Georgia Association of Woodturners



GAW Newsletter— May 2024

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-9:00

Where: **Spruill Art Center**
5339 Chamblee Dunwoody Road
Dunwoody, GA 30338

Click [HERE](#) for a map.

Meetings are open to all!

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I hope everyone had a chance to see the aurora display over the weekend. There were some spectacular photos shared on social media.

As most of you know, GAW had its first meeting in its new home last month. While one always hopes for a larger turnout, I was pleased with the turnout we had. This month's meeting is an in-person demonstration and will be the first time we have made shavings in the new space. So hopefully the turnout will be even better this month. If you are attending for the first time in the new location, you can find maps and instructions [here](#).

On Thursday we are hosting our first hands-on class in several years. Alan Leland is an accomplished teacher and woodturner and I am sure those attending will get a lot out of the class. Thanks to all who signed up for taking advantage of this opportunity. We plan to hold more hands-on classes in the future as we begin to build back the GAW community.

Remember, the heart of GAW is its people. I strongly encourage you to attend this demonstration in person to share the joy of woodturning, and help rebuild our community. Let's make this the turning point (pun intended) for GAW.

I hope to see you at the meeting!

Steve

April GAW Meeting—Looking Back

At our April meeting Emma Cook inaugurated our new facility! Emma demonstrated how to embellish turned items with Chameleon flakes and powders.



If you're interested in these enhancement techniques or just want to listen to Emma's accent, you can follow up [here](#).

March GAW Meeting—Looking Ahead

At our May GAW meeting Alan Leland will provide the first live demonstration at our new facility! For this meeting Alan will demonstrate cutting spirals with the Sorby Spiraling Tool. He will also demonstrate creating spirals by hand.

Alan Leland is an internationally recognized woodturning instructor and demonstrator. He has won accolades from his students and his fellow woodturners for his exceptional handouts, his ability to teach and explain the various skills and techniques required to truly enjoy woodturning and most importantly his patient and thorough teaching style.

His work is primarily functional in nature due to his furniture background, but with an artistic flair due to his keen eye for shape and form. He has demonstrated at many national and regional woodturning symposia and done demonstrations and workshops for many woodturning clubs across the U.S. and Canada.





This month we will have our first live demonstration at our new facility!

Please join us at the Spruill Center for Arts in Dunwoody. If you've missed the links elsewhere in the newsletter, the address is:

5339 Chamblee Dunwoody Road
Dunwoody, GA 30338

We will gather, starting at 6 PM and kicking off the meeting at 6:30.

After surviving COVID and losing our place at Georgia Tech we are looking forward to landing at a new "home" for the GAW. If you can make it, we look forward to seeing you and reestablishing the GAW as a place where woodturners can gather for friendship and encouragement in turning!



Instant Gallery

We will be LIVE this month, so bring those projects to the meeting at our new facility!!!

If you can't make the live meeting, instant gallery entries should be submitted to:

editor@gawoodturner.org

Remember to include

- ◆ Your name
- ◆ Wood species (as many as are included in your turning)
- ◆ Finishes
- ◆ Any other details you wish to include

All entries must be submitted by the end of day Sunday prior to the 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 species doesn’t appear on the list doesn’t mean its dust should be breathed!

Calendar of Events				
Date	Name	Topic	Event	Location
May 16, 2024	Alan Leland	SOLD OUT	Hands-on Class	Roswell Woodcraft
May 16, 2024	Alan Leland	Spiraling	Monthly Meeting	Hybrid: Spruill Arts Center & Zoom
May 23-26, 2024	AAW's 38th International Woodturning Symposium			Portland, OR
June 20, 2024	TBD	TBD	Monthly Meeting	Hybrid: Spruill Arts Center & Zoom
July 18, 2024	TBD	TBD	Monthly Meeting	Hybrid:
August 15, 2024	Dan Douthart	Lighted Sea Urchin Ornament	Monthly Meeting	Hybrid
Sept 19, 2024	Pat Carroll	Hands-on: Turquoise Box	Hands-On Class	Roswell Woodcraft
Sept 19, 2024	Pat Carroll	Piercing and Texture	Monthly Meeting	Hybrid

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Woodturning Instruction

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



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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