



High Desert Turning

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Newsletter Special Edition: *Expo New Mexico 2007*

This edition of the newsletter will be devoted primarily to the New Mexico State Fair, which officially begins September 7, 2007. See below for more information about fair dates, entries of work for judging and other information.

Next Regular NMWT Meeting: October 6, 2007

Due to the activities related to the State Fair, New Mexico Wood Turners does not hold a regular monthly meeting in September. The next regular club meeting will be on Saturday, October 6, 2007. The program for that meeting will be announced in the next edition of the *High Desert Turning*.

Board Member Openings:

Due to he and his wife's pending relocation to Washington state, Tom Doering has resigned as editor of the newsletter. We want to thank Tom for all his efforts this past year, and wish him well in his relocation.

This month, temporarily, other Board members are producing the abbreviated edition. We have an **IMMEDIATE** need for a new Newsletter Editor, who also becomes a regular member of the Board. While it takes several hours monthly to produce the *High Desert Turning*, it is one of the most valued services the club provides. Please contact any Board member if you can help with the Newsletter.

Events

Expo New Mexico 2007

This year's State Fair opens on Friday, September 7, and runs through Sunday, September 23. During the Fair, NMWT, Albuquerque Woodworkers Association, and the Rio Grande Carvers all have exhibit booths in the Creative Arts Building. All three associations sponsor judging of entries in the categories of Woodturning, Woodworking, and Woodcarving, respectively.

Full information for exhibits and rules are listed in the related Premium Book sections at the State Fair's website:

<http://exponm.com/fair/>

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For your convenience and update, some of the critical information regarding entries and rules have been reproduced below:

Entry Dates: Entries will be accepted on Thursday, August 30, Friday, August 31, and Saturday, September 1, from 8:00 AM until 6:00 PM (5:00 PM on September 1). Enter the front door of the Creative Arts Building and register with a receptionist, then proceed to the various Wood exhibition areas for actual entry of pieces.

Judging will take place on September 4 & 5, prior to the opening of the Fair on September 7. All pieces entered must remain on display until pick-up day on Monday, September 24.

Sections: The Sections have changed from last year, adding an Intermediate Section for the first time. The Sections for 2007 are:

Section 377 Youth:

17 years & under who have not won a Youth Best of Show award in previous years

Section 378 Novice:

One with less than two years experience in wood turning and have not won a Best of Show as a Novice in a previous year

Section 379 Intermediate:

One who has more than two years and less than five years experience or considers their skill to be above Novice.

Section 380 Advanced:

One who has more than five years experience or consider their skill to be above Intermediate and who have not won Best of Show as an Advanced in a previous year.

Section 381 Professional

One who during the past three years: sell their wood turnings on a regular basis; or, are or have been paid instructor or demonstrator. And, amateurs who consider themselves to have advanced skills.

Classes: Pieces will be accepted in the following eleven Classes, which have also changed a bit from previous years:

1. Open-form Bowls - classic, contemporary or artistic designs with largest diameter at the rim.
2. Closed-form Bowls – classic, contemporary or artistic designs with largest diameter below or outside of the bowl's rim.
3. Other Bowls – include burl cap bowls, plates, platters and other contemporary forms not included above.
4. Vases – solid or hollowed forms that may be functional or decorative and typically higher than wide
5. Segmented Forms – Pieces that are substantially constructed from multiple pieces of wood in a staved or laminated pattern
6. Segmented Forms – Pieces that are substantially constructed from multiple pieces of wood in an open or closed ring.
7. Decorative Forms – Turned pieces with decorative treatment, carving or inlaid material where the decorative treatment represents at least 25% of the overall effort.
8. Boxes and Lidded Vessels – any turned vessel fitted with a lid.
9. Miniatures, ornaments and goblets – pieces less than 4 inches each in width and height
10. Pens, stoppers and toys – small pieces turned on a lathe that fit these functional classifications
11. Miscellaneous – Not listed above

Pieces that are minimally (not substantially) constructed from multiple pieces of wood in staved or laminated patterns, or open or closed rings, shall be classified in a class other than #5 or #6

Some of the General and Special Rules to be aware of: (See the Premium Book for complete lists of rules):

- Only one entry per Class per exhibitor.
- Exhibitors may enter multiple Classes, but all must be in the same Section.
- Multiple items may be entered as one piece if they are a set (Pair of matched earrings, for example.)
- All entries must have been made since the previous New Mexico State Fair.

This is only a partial list of rules that apply.

Special Exhibitions

Special Notice: Exhibition Opportunities – Update

At the July Club meeting, and in the last edition of *High Desert Turning*, several options for public exhibitions were discussed. As you might recall, our goals for the year as a club include additional public showings of woodturning, similar to the very successful display at the Albuquerque International Sunport last November through January.

Looking for other places to have similar exhibits, contacts were made with the **Albuquerque Public Library**, the **Convention Center**, and the **Albuquerque Arts Alliance**, an organization that serves the entire community of arts in our community.

We are pleased to announce some very positive results so far:

First, the Public Library is VERY enthusiastic about having us exhibit in the main Library, and probably in some of the Branch Libraries as well. They have requested that we exhibit our work this year during the months of November and December at the Mail Library. They are interested in having a one-to-two month exhibit EVERY YEAR!

Second, the Arts Alliance Gallery, located adjacent to their office at the corner of Lomas and San Mateo NE in The Courtyard shopping center, has invited us to exhibit works for sale during the month of March, 2008. The Arts Alliance Gallery schedules monthly exhibits of arts groups, by advanced application, and encourages the sales of items exhibited. While there is a minimal exhibition fee, which the club will pay, and a 15% service charge for collecting purchaser payments on actual sales, the Board believe this will be a terrific opportunity for club member to not only show their work, but to generate sales as well.

At the July meeting, there was a very positive reception to the opportunities that these exhibitions and sales setting can offer. We asked the following two questions, and had a strong positive show of hands on both:

1. Would you be willing to place one to three pieces in a “rotating” exhibit that would be shown at the Libraries and similar venues? Your pieces would be kept for a period of time, perhaps a year, and then exchanged for new pieces for the following year(s). Full credit and descriptions would be part of the exhibits.

2. Would you be interested in showing some of your pieces, for sale or not, in a month-long exhibit at the Arts Alliance Gallery. The club would pay the basic exhibition fee, but members who wish to sell their work would have to pay the 15% "commission" to the Arts Alliance, and possibly a small percentage to the club for our overhead and related costs.

In the next edition of *High Desert Turning*, and at the regular October monthly meeting we will provide more information on these two exhibitions and how we will involve members who wish to participate

Classes

Woodcraft

www.woodcraft.com

Provides classes in turning and carving among other things. A partial list can be found at their web site or contact the store at 342-9663 for more information.

Santa Fe Community College

www.sfccnm.edu

Santa Fe Community College offers both credit and noncredit courses taught by some of the most prominent artisans in the woodworking field. Classes are offered in Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions. For more information on SFCC classes contact club member Al Mirman, one of the Woodturning instructors, at 771-0490. Information can also be found at SFCC's web site.

Coming up Next

October...presenter to be determined. If you'd like to do a demonstration, please talk to Rich McCartney.

Discounts & Rebates

Woodworker's Meeting Day Sale

www.woodworker.com

Wood Worker's Supply provides NMWT members with special discounts on a variety of items each meeting day. Look for an additional 10% off the 3 MEETING DAY SALE ITEMS announced at every meeting.

Woodcraft – September- Wood of the Month – Please call the Albuquerque store at 342-9663 for details.

As always, we look forward to seeing you at Woodcraft.

Polli Goen-Carlberg
Manager
Woodcraft

CLUB CREDIT FOR NMWT MEMBERS

Woodcraft donates a portion of every sale to NMWT member to the club each year. It's not automatic, however. YOU MUST tell the cashier to "Credit this sale to the NMWT Store Donation" when you pay for your items.

Crafts Supply

www.woodturnerscatalog.com

Offers a discount to members on large orders. Craft Supply has implemented a new club support program visit their web site or phone Kathy Lawrence at...

1-800-551-8876

For Sale!

⇒ You can also run an ad to FIND something, or perhaps TRADE?

Future Meetings

2007

Meeting Schedule for 2007

October 6
November 3
December 1

Note: no meeting in September because of the State Fair

Gallery Of Turnings

Gallery will return in next month's issue.

NMWT Mentor List

Members are always welcome to contact the people on the following list for guidance to better turning ideas, and techniques -- Free to members so give a Mentor a call!

Name	Phone	Description
Bill Zerby	891-9188	Basic spindle turning & tool sharpening
Bob Clancy	281-4469	Basic turning & Bowl Turning
Dan Shipman	296-9754	Basic turning, hollowing & segmented construction
Irling Smith	865-9230	Segmented turning & design
Jim Ferguson	877-1125	Segmented (open) Computer Design
John Ellis	771-1773	Basic turning, plates, tools & handles

Name	Phone	Description
Red Hollenbach	823-2260	Basic turning & small items
Ron Phillips	867-0612	Special Tools (rests & steadies)

Raffle

You will receive one free ticket for bringing a gallery item(s) to the meeting, and three free tickets for bringing a raffle item(s). Check your wood supply, old or new unused tools, books etc for raffle items.

Video & Resource Library

The New Mexico Wood Turners has a modest collection of magazines which have been donated to our library and which I have at my house. A list of the magazines and issues follows:

American Woodworker	Nos. 13-82 1990-1998
American Woodturner	1988-2004 (AAW Publication)
Fine Woodworking	Nos.54-120 1985-1996
The Wood Turner	Nos. 1-8 (UK Publication)
Wood	Nos. 5-129 1985-2000
Woodturning	Nos.1-96 1990-2001 (UK Publication)
Woodwork	Nos. 2-37 1989-1996

Tom Cour - Librarian

Videos

Note the new \$1/item/month contribution.

AAW Symposia Videos

The Resource Library includes tapes from past AAW Symposia (1998 – 2001) which may also be checked out. The tapes feature some of the excellent technical demonstration given during the symposium as well as items from the huge instant galleries each year. They are well worth checking out. Starting later this year we will have DVD's of all the tapes for checkout.

Lathes

NMWT owns several lathes, which may be checked out. New members who have yet to purchase their own lathe are encouraged to take advantage of this club benefit. If you meet or hear of someone who might benefit from this resource, please pass their name on to Rich.

Magazines

An index of issues and topics is in the making and will be posted on the upcoming website. If you have a collection of prior issues of any woodworking or turning magazines, please consider donating them to the

Resource Library for other members to use.

WEB Sites

Found a good WEB site? Want to share it with other club members? Then send the info to me at: Tom@doering.us

www.nmwoodturners.org

Questions or suggestions are welcome. Please contact the club Webmaster Dave Stein at: dave@seriouslight.com

www.cleanturn.net

www.pennstateind.com

www.tufftooth.com

www.woodmagazine.com,

www.penturners.org

www.woodturnerscatalog.com

www.WoodTurningz.com

www.woodturningvideosplus.com

www.woodweb.com

www.woodworkersjournal.com

For those of you who have equipment or material for sale, you can have it posted here in our newsletter, but another resource is:

www.albuquerque.craigslist.org

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