



Atlanta Woodturners Guild

June 2019

Chapter 274 of the American Association of Woodturners



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The Atlanta Woodturners Guild (AWG) was formed to provide support, ideas, and camaraderie to fellow woodturners in the metro Atlanta area. Atlanta Woodturners Guild is Chapter Club (#274) of the American Association of Woodturners. The Guild meets once a month and members are invited to display examples of their work at the Instant Gallery. New and established turners also have the opportunity to ask questions and solve problems with other members.

Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter

Each month the Atlanta Woodturners Guild publishes an electronic newsletter. Articles on the previous month's meeting, Instant Gallery, and demonstrator presentation are included, along with news on related events, activities and items for sale.

Atlanta Woodturners Guild Monthly Meeting

Atlanta Woodturners Guild meets the third Wednesday of each month, except November, when we meet the 2nd Wednesday in 2019. Our monthly meeting format continues with the Opening, Instant Gallery presentations, followed by our featured Presenter / Guest Demonstrator, raffle drawing and closing remarks. The Instant Gallery provides a means for sharing your work and is a great way for other members to get some ideas what their next project may be. As an added benefit, each month all entry participants into the Instant Gallery are included in a random drawing for a gift card prize. **We also auction articles each month that are donated by past guest demonstrators. Bring some money to make sure you get a chance to bid on one!**

Have a question on a project you're working on? Need some feedback on a technique you're trying out? How about some advice on a tool, a wood species, or finishing technique? Our club has lots of expertise and knowledge available, so stop by the "Expertise Corner" before the start of each meeting and present your question. There's no guarantee on the answer, but plenty of folks are willing to try and help you out. Bring in the item you are working on if you think it will help explain what the opportunity is.

Please feel free to join us for a social gathering or bite to eat before the meeting. You can try to beat traffic and get to know your fellow wood turners better if you do. We will be going as a group to a local restaurant within walking distance of Woodcraft. We will be leaving between 5:00-5:15 so come join us. You will be amazed how much more you will learn about woodturning and

A note from our Club President;

Hello turners,

Time for another meeting/demo. Hope you all can be there. I have enjoyed watching different turners on You Tube. Some of them give me new tips and ideas for future projects. But this one thing always gives me pleasure as I turn: there is something inside each chunk of wood we put on our lathes. To me, it's like opening a Christmas present. Or, perhaps Forrest Gump said it best, when he said "life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you get". That about sums up the turner's adventure each time a project is begun.

Keep on spinnin and grinnin...

Trevor

Next Meeting; June 19, 2019

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild will be on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 6:45 PM (***Please note the start time***). Our meeting will take place at Woodcraft of Atlanta, 8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Suite 115, Alpharetta, GA 30022. Arrive early before the meeting to look around, talk with the store team, and maybe buy a few of those project or shop items you've been considering.

We also invite everyone to meet for dinner before the meeting at Hooligans at 5:15. This is a good chance to beat the traffic and get to know some of the other members of the club. It is an easy walk from Woodcraft or feel free to drive (there is a traffic light on Holcomb bridge so its easy access to get in and out.)

Hooligans

8440 Holcomb Bridge Rd

Alpharetta GA, 30022

Our June 2019 demonstrator is *Rebecca DeGroot* and the demonstration topic is "*Walking Box*".

Take a few minutes and check out some of *Rebecca's* work at <http://rebeccadegroot.com/index.html>

before the meeting. Join us, bring lots of questions, and welcome *Rebecca* to our club meeting.

Guests are always welcome. The meeting location is:

Woodcraft of Atlanta

8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd

Suite 115

Alpharetta GA, 30022

(770) 587-3372

www.woodcraftatl.com



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/atlantawtg/>



May 2019 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

AWG hosts *Judy Ditmer* for *May 2019* meeting demonstration

The AWG was pleased to have Judy Ditmer present her techniques on creating the sculptural and winged shapes used in her jewelry and stacked sculpture artwork. Simplicity of form and thickness provide a pleasing focal point for establishing the beauty of her work.

A key to the success of Judy's work is the creation of the individual component pieces, each finished to the point of coloring, texture and surface treatment, before the final assembly takes place. Judy uses manufactured jewelry components to join pieces and provide fastening devices such as the earring posts, wires, clasps and clips.

Fabrication of the sculpted segments begins with turning thin walled bowl forms. Layered assemblies are developed by turning mating bowl sections that can be stacked together after they are finished. Once the turned sections are complete they are sculpted with a combination of scroll sawing and or sanding, depending on the desired profile the finished shape will have. Judy has fabricated several simple custom cutters and sanding drums that enable her to achieve the part consistency and finish she strives for in the work. You can see the results in the pictures below.

Judy likes to experiment with various finishing techniques. Marbled finishes, texture and color are some of the areas she experiments with. Judy has developed custom holding fixtures that allow her to apply the finish types to her work.



Judy Ditmer, at the lathe, pauses to explain the process she follows when creating the sculpted pieces used in her jewelry and sculptural shapes.



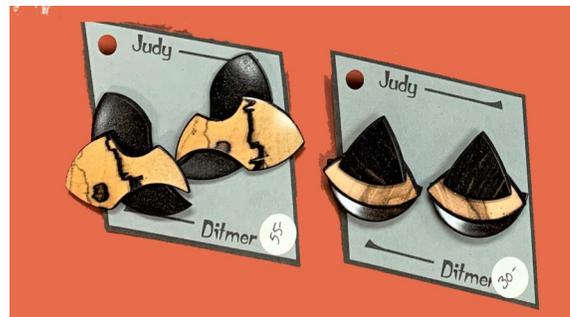
Judy presents one of her sanding drum assemblies she built



Pendants



Marble finish experiment



Examples of shapes that create earrings



May 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Seven Members bring 22 creative works for *May 2019* Instant Gallery presentation

At our *May 2019* club meeting we were enjoyed 22 pieces presented by 7 members. 12 items were classified as bowls, 1 as a hollow vessel, 1 lidded bowl, with the remaining 4 as turned specialty items. *Kim Muthersbough* was the random Instant Gallery winner of a \$20 Woodcraft gift card.

Here are the *May 2019* Instant Gallery Entries and *Member Name* creators

Dan Douthart; Turned Hanging Holiday Ornaments, polymer clay inserts



Harvey Meyer; Pottery Illusion





May 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Harvey Meyer; Lidded Stemmed Bowl



Jeff Barnes; Bowl with Tall Rim



Jeff Barnes; Decorative Tint Bowl





May 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

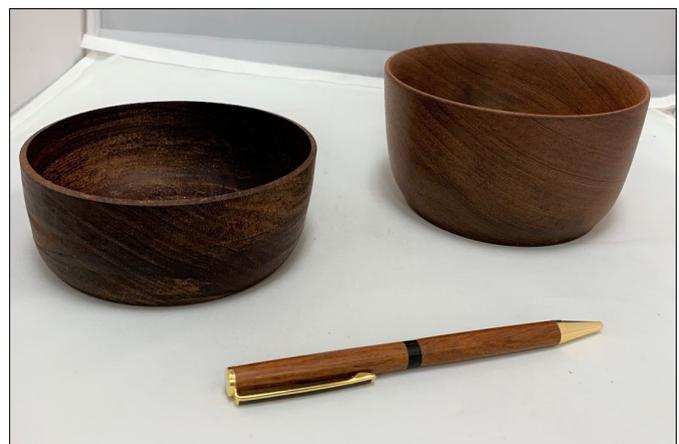
Jeff Barnes; Decorative Tint Bowl #2



Jeff Barnes; High Definition Grain Bowl



Kenny Peterson; Pen and Two Bowls





May 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Kenny Peterson; Light and Dark Bowls



Kim Muthersbough; Marbled Bowl; Lacquer topcoat



Phil Sain; Poplar Bowl; Walnut oil; Beall polishing





May 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Phil Sain; Ambrosia Maple Bowl; Walnut oil; Beall polishing



Reese Haren; Natural Edge Winged Bowl



Reese Haren; Tap Handles





AWG 2019 HOT Lineup Announced!

Fellow Woodturners,

We have our line-up for our new Hands on Turning program for 2019 and it is HOT so get your calendars out and block the second Wednesday of each month as “busy!”

We kicked off the program with Dan Douthart and bottle stoppers in May. Sorry you missed it! If you think you know everything there is to know about turning bottle stoppers, you have not been to a Dan Douthart demo and hands on. Dan is a skilled Woodturner who demonstrates at many local Clubs. Dan will be one of the local demonstrators for Turning Southern Style in September. To learn more about Dan, search for [Dan Douthart Woodturner](#) on YouTube.

The June 12th Hands On Turning Facilitator will be Michael Gibson, who will be teaching “form.” Michael is a professional Woodturner, instructor and artist. His teapots were the reason I attended my first woodturning demo. Michael demonstrates nationally as well as internationally. Michael’s work is displayed in galleries and in private collections throughout the world. You can see more of Michael’s work at [michaelgibsonwoodturner.com](#).

July 10th we will have Hans Meier facilitating spinning tops and yoyos. Hans is quite possibly one of the best scroll saw artists in the Southeast and is now applying his artistry, drive and determination to woodturning. Don’t be surprised if Hans doesn’t try to work a tiny bit of scrolling into our July Hands On Turning. You can learn more about Hans at [hanspuzzles.com/](#).

August 14th, Harvey Meyer will be our Facilitator. Harvey will be teaching us basic bowl turning. Harvey is a professional Woodturner, instructor and artist who demonstrates nationally and internationally. Harvey’s work is displayed in galleries as well as private collections worldwide. His intricate and stunning basket illusion is his signature. Get more information about Harvey and see his gallery at [harveymeyer.com](#).

Frank Bowers will be our Facilitator on September 11th. Frank is a professional Woodturner, demonstrator and instructor who has taught woodturning to most of the turners in the South, just ask them. Frank has won awards at the Georgia State Fair and has been a demonstrator for the Turning Southern Style symposium. Frank will be showing us how to turn his signature live edge bowl. You can learn more about Frank by searching for [Frank Bowers Woodturner](#) on YouTube.

Mike Riley will be our Facilitator for October 9th. Mike turns for fun and family. Do not underestimate him. Mike will be showing us all the tricks and tips of pen turning. Everyone uses pens, no, literally, everyone, so why not learn to make them and sell them?

Steve Mellot will be facilitating our Hands On Turning for November 13th and will be showing how to make solid body Christmas ornaments – just in time for the Holidays. Steve has conducted demos at many local clubs and will have just finished demonstrating at the Turning Southern Style Symposium. He has won awards at the Georgia National Fair and has been published in American Woodturner magazine. You can learn more about Steve by going to YouTube and typing [Steve Mellot Woodturner](#).

I will be the Facilitator for the December 11th Hands On Turning. I will be showing you how to turn a jewelry box. I turn for the love of it and I truly hope you can come and join us every time. Our Hands on Turning is fun, affordable and a great way to learn.

-Katie

HOT Date	Facilitator	Topic
June 12, 2019	Michael Gibson	“Form”
July 10, 2019	Hans Meier	spinning tops and yoyos
August 14, 2019	Harvey Meyer	basic bowl turning
September 11, 2019	Frank Bowers	signature live edge bowl

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October 9, 2019	Mike Riley	Pens
November 13, 2019	Steve Mellot	solid body Christmas ornaments
December 11, 2019	Katie Navarro	turn a jewelry box



News & Information

2019 Atlanta Woodturning Guild Activities

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Hands On Turning (HOT) 10AM – 4:00PM, June 12, 2019, Woodcraft of Atlanta

Our Club's 2nd Hands on Turning (HOT) day is on the second Wednesday of the month (June 12th) at Woodcraft of Atlanta. The June 12th Hands On Turning Facilitator will be Michael Gibson, who will be teaching "form." Those turners who want to participate, bring \$10 cash for the HOT and \$10 cash for materials this month (two pieces will be provided). There is no advance registration. Just come if you can and leave when you have to. Bring a bag lunch and a drink, your turning tools (roughing, bowl and spindle gouges and a parting tool, if you have them), a face mask, dust protection and sandpaper. There are only 10 lathes available so get there early to make sure you have a lathe. Thanks! -Katie

Volunteers for Monthly Turning Demonstrations at Woodcraft

We're looking for volunteers to provide a 1 hour demonstration on woodturning on the third Saturday of each month between 1-2PM at Woodcraft Atlanta. Simple & basic skills based presentations work best. Please contact Katie Navarro or Mike Riley if you're interested in presenting a demonstration.

2019 Woodturning Events

2019 AAW Symposium July 11-14, 2019 Raleigh Convention Center, Raleigh, NC

<https://www.woodturner.org/page/2019RaleighMain>

2019 Turning Southern Style Symposium

September 20-22, 2019 Dalton Convention Center, Dalton, GA www.gawoodturner.org/symposium

Swap Shop/For Sale

Two Tree Boyz Wood sells locally harvested wood in end grain-sealed blank and log form. We sell from our Buford location by appointment, at local turning clubs, and online through our website. Visit us for best price, best selection, and custom cutting. We have the potential to get new wood daily from my husband's tree service, so let me know if you are looking for something special. Elisabeth Ross --- 678.887.0896 --- twotreeboyz@yahoo.com ---

Tormek T4 For Sale \$250 Four years old but with 3 years or less of use. Includes some jigs.

Contact Katie Navarro at 404-557-4799 for more information.

2019 AWG Club Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date	Guest Presenter
January 16, 2019	Peg Schmid
February 20, 2019	Jeff Hornung
March 20, 2019	Keith Gotschall
April 17, 2019	Walt Wager
May 15, 2019	Judy Ditmer
June 19, 2019	Rebecca DeGroot

Meeting Date	Guest Presenter
July 17, 2019	Benoit Averly
August 21, 2019	Kevin Wood
September 18, 2019	Hans Weisflog
October 16, 2019	Robert Lyon
November 13, 2019	Dennis Paullus
December 18, 2019	Holiday Event

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At each monthly meeting a demonstration is conducted by professional turners from all over the world. It is a great opportunity to see a professional in action, ask questions and learn techniques. The AWG has a comprehensive library stocked with woodturning DVD's, and books. These items are available to the membership for a small rental fee. Members are kept informed about upcoming events and activities through this, their web site.

All interested in learning about woodturning are welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

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