

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

June 2021

The latest news and updates from
South Puget Sound Woodturners

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June's Remote Demo: Steve Sinner Part Two

This month, on the evening of June 17th, we will feature Steve Sinner's second installment of his 2-part interactive remote demonstration of his deep hollowing. This will be another Zoom presentation.

During our May meeting, Steve demonstrated his method of end-grain turning to produce a vase-like hollow form. This month, Steve will demonstrate how he prepares the now dry rough-turned vase with a second turning, surface prep, and preparation for finishing.

Steve will discuss how to use many different techniques and materials for embellishment and finishing. His presentation will cover gilding with silver foil, patinas, and application of color using many different materials and techniques. Last, he will address application of a finish to protect the work and make it stand out.

If you would like to view more of Steve's work than we can put in this newsletter, please go to his website, under the Gallery tab (advancedlathetools.com/). If you check his site, you will see examples of the many different techniques and materials he uses in his work.



Hollow Vessel by
Steve Sinner

Please join us for the second half of Steve's presentation. You may log in any time after 6:30, and the Zoom presentation will start at 7:00PM on June 17th. As usual, the meeting notice will be sent out on the preceding Saturday, and a reminder on the day before the meeting. See you there!

Please join us for Steve's presentations.

May Meeting Recording Available: If you were unable to attend Steve Sinner's first demo, or if you would like to review it, it is available for viewing under the members only tab on the website (spswoodturners.org).

President's letter continued P2



Vice President Volunteer Still Needed!

We still need someone to volunteer for the Vice President's position. Since Doug has taken over the programs part of it, the duties of the vice president are limited to being an active member of the Board, and stepping in when the president cannot or is not able to act. We could use your help and guidance to make the SPSW even more valuable to our members! You can call me at 263-370-5704 or email me at jhowardcdt@comcast.net if you have any questions or would like to talk about the position

On July 17th and 18th 2021, the AAW will be hosting their second annual Virtual Symposium. The in-person annual AAW Symposium



AAW VIRTUAL
WOODTURNING
SYMPOSIUM

was canceled in

February due to Covid issues. In its place, a virtual symposium will happen on July 17th and 18th.

This Virtual Symposium is a great deal. The cost of registration for the entire event is only \$45 for AAW members and \$60 for others. This allows you into 12 Zoom-based presentations.

That works out to \$3.75/demo! And if you are unable to watch it at that time, registered attendees will also have access to recorded replays of the featured demonstrations and panel discussions.

Like last year, there will be a series of well-known and very capable woodturners, each doing full demonstrations. This year's presenters include Dixie Biggs, Trent Bosch, Bruce Campbell, Nick Cook, Rebecca DeGroot, Mark Dreyer, Art Liestman, Al Miotke, and JoHannes Michaelson. AAW members, watch your e-mail for further notices and to reserve your spot.

President's letter continued...

Get in on wood cutting opportunities: If you would like to be notified when we are going out to cut wood so you can get a little for yourself, please let our wood-rat, Doug Reynolds, know. You don't necessarily need your own chain saw. There are many things that folks can do to help at these events. But you will see how to safely use a chain saw and also will see how to section the tree so you get the best and most interesting wood out of it. You will also have access to people who can help you get started on how to seal the wood to minimize checking, explain the advantages of green wood turning, rough turning, and coring processes. If that sounds interesting to you, please let Doug know, and he can put you on his list and you will be contacted by e-mail when he has wood we're going out to cut. You can e-mail Doug at dougr83@comcast.net.

Membership Renewals: Thank you to all of you that have already renewed your membership in the SPSW for 2021! So far, we already have 105 renewed 2021 memberships, which seems prenominal considering all the challenges we have faced for the past year and a half. Thank you to all who have continued to support the SPSW through this time. We all look forward to being able to meet in-person again soon.

If you still need to renew your membership for 2021, the easiest is to go online through the SPSW website <http://www.spswoodturners.org> (click on "for members"). Alternatively, if you prefer, you can fill out the last page of this newsletter and send it to the PO Box with a \$35 check.

Sawdust Sessions: Although we are also considering other alternatives, we are still hoping to find a shop where we can continue our very popular sawdust sessions. Nancy has hosted us for years in her shop, but is unable to continue to do so. We are hoping to find a space where we can trailer in a couple of extra lathes, and have room for 10 – 15 people. If you have such a space and would not mind hosting us about 10 times a year, please let me know. Ideally, this shop would be somewhere between Milton and South Tacoma, have street parking, and access to a bathroom. We would also need to access 220v current needed for the Powermatic lathe. We are all looking forward to getting back to seeing each other in person as soon as restrictions are lifted. These in-person meetings involve getting back to monthly meetings in Fife on the 3rd Thursday of the month, and also our very popular Sawdust Sessions that usually happen on the Saturday after the regular membership meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month.



Live edge bowl
Terry Broberg

Newsletter photos: Our newsletter editor, Suzette Edwards, is always looking for more photographs of members work to spice up the newsletter. Many members enjoy seeing their work, and other members love to see what you have been doing. It is sort of a show-and-tell! Please take a few pictures showing your recent work and Suzette will do her best to get it in the next newsletter. Just e-mail your photos to winginsue@gmail.com.

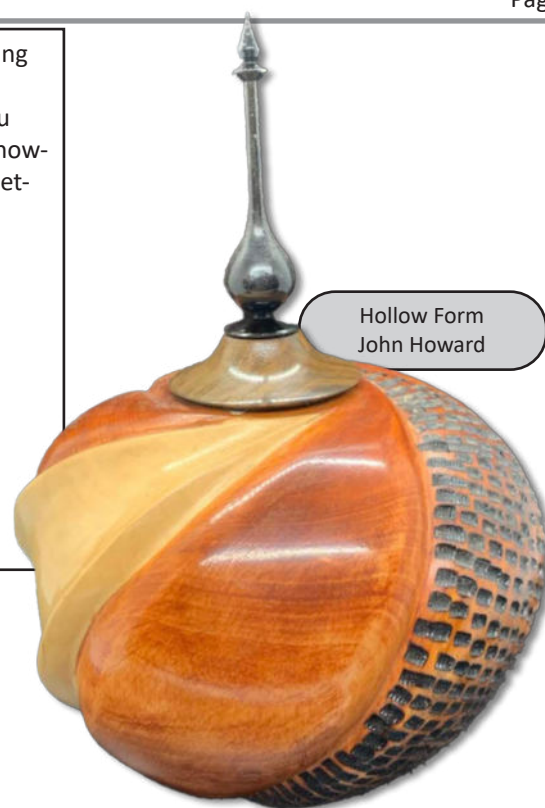
Be healthy, be safe, and keep making shavings!



John Howard



Hollow form
Terry Broberg



Hollow Form
John Howard

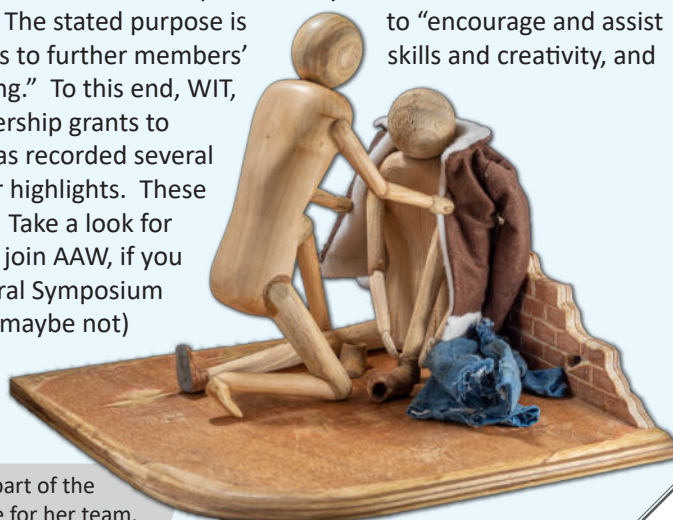
A Word from Kent Horton, the AAW liason

Hello again fellow SPSW members. I recently received an email from Suzette asking if I knew anything about the AAW (American Association of Woodturners) WIT (Women in Turning) program. I had read a couple of short articles, but knew very little of their program. Suzette spoke to the Virtual eXchange program that is currently taking place, whereby women turners from all over the world register and are put into teams consisting of experienced (professional) turners with those of limited or even no turning experience and, as a team, are directed to make something representing a couple of words drawn from a bag. (Talk about collaborative creativity!) Each team member creates their part of the project independently and sends it on to others on their team to be assembled as a final project. Again, this year this is all being done remotely. In June, one person from each team will develop and share a short presentation of their project and discuss the collaboration involved in its completion. Past works have been amazing and I am looking forward to seeing what these teams come up with this year.

The eXchange program is but one example of the various programs and events sponsored by the WIT committee of the AAW. After Suzette's email I decided to learn more about WIT. The stated purpose is women in their pursuit of turning, to share ideas and processes to further members' to increasing participation of women in the field of woodturning." To this end, WIT, in conjunction with AAW, provides a limited number of membership grants to both new and renewing female members. Additionally, WIT has recorded several profiles of well-known women turners and their turning career highlights. These have been most enjoyable to watch – such amazing creativity! Take a look for yourself. Once again, I would encourage all SPSW members to join AAW, if you have not done so already, and register early for the 2021 Virtual Symposium on July 17-18. See you there! (well, since it will all be online, maybe not)

Kent Horton,
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WIT  **EXCHANGE**
VIRTUAL 2021



Suzette Edwards part of the
WIT eXchange piece for her team.



SPSW is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Many of our members are just members of the chapter but not the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). **The AAW offers an introductory free 3-month trial membership to chapter members.** The free membership allows access to all online publications like The American Woodturner, Woodturning FUNDamentals magazine, and AAW e-newsletters .

Visit the website www.woodturner.org (or click the link if you are an email newsletter subscriber) and look under Membership then Join Today. Scroll to the bottom of the page. The above hyperlink will also take you there. For those who prefer to do it by phone, call 877-595-9094 M-F 8:30 to 4:30 Central time.



Walnut vases
JoAnn Amberg



In-person Demo with Seri "Dr. Spalt" Robinson: Next month, the Seattle Woodturners chapter will host Dr. Seri Robinson for an all-day demonstration. Seri is an artist, woodturner, and is also a professor at Oregon State University. Her work involves coloring wood using mold fungi. The coloration that is left on wood after attack by mold is often referred to as "spalting".

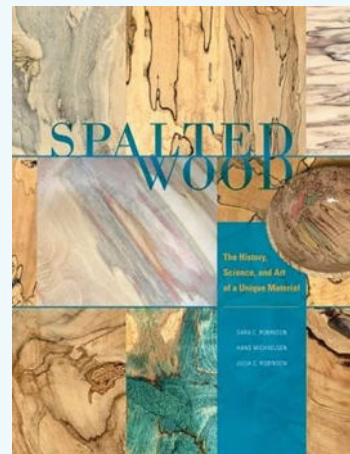
During her morning session Seri will demonstrate tips and tricks for turning spalted wood, and specifically, how to handle wood that has become "punky" during the spalting process. The afternoon session will cover the use of Dichloromethane (DCM AKA Methylene Chloride) and other topics.

This clinic will run on Saturday, July 10th, 2021 from 9:00AM until 5:00PM. It will be held at the Wood Technology Center located at 2310 S. Lane St., in Seattle (98144). The cost is \$35 for Seattle Woodturners members and \$40 for non-members.



Dr. Robinson is also a well-known wood turner. In the morning she will demonstrate how to turn spalted woods in a way that minimizes tear-out. In the afternoon, she will demonstrate how to use fungal materials to color wood.

If you would like to attend this event, you can get more information about directions, parking, lunch, safety issues and register at seattlewoodturners.org/seri-robinson-all-day-demo/.





Zoom Meeting If you haven't been on Zoom before, just follow the steps below. **(If you have been in a Zoom meeting before, just start at step 3.)**

1. **The Zoom meeting invitation is only sent to active members.** So, if you have not paid your dues since October 2019, you will need to go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](https://spswoodturners.org) (spswoodturners.org) and renew your membership. Please note that it would normally cost more for just one of these demonstrations than your SPSW dues for the entire year.
 - a. Those of you who get the newsletter by snail-mail will need to get us an e-mail address where we can send your meeting invitation. Please send it to (membership@spswoodturners.org)
2. Before the scheduled meeting, you need to go to zoom.com and download the free "Zoom Meetings" app. The Zoom download is quick, easy, and free!
3. **Information and Invitation Delivery Schedule:**
 - a. **Saturday, June 12th** – The Zoom Meeting Invitation will go out to our active member's distribution list.
 - i. This invitation contains a link that appears in blue letters. Just click it to join the remote demo on Thursday.
 - ii. Please save this where you can find it.
 1. If you don't see the invitation(s) in your inbox, then please check your "junk" or "spam" folder. If you get our newsletters, the meeting invitation should come right into your inbox.
 - b. **Wednesday, June 16th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday, June 17** - Log into the meeting between 6:30 and 7:00pm
 - i. Steve's demo will start promptly at 7:00pm.
 - ii. When you click on the link, you will be asked if you want to join with video and audio. Answer "yes" to both, then you will enter a virtual waiting room. Wait just a few seconds and one of the co-hosts will admit you into the actual meeting.
 - iii. **Note:** If you have previously downloaded the app, you may see an update is available. If you see it, please update your app. Zoom is making frequent changes to the program to strengthen security.
 - iv. Devices used to view the demo can be smartphones, tablet computers, laptops, etc. To fully participate, the device needs to have audio and a camera.

For Zoom Security, Please Rename If Needed: We have a number of people that participate in the Zoom demos. When you join the session, you will be able to see yourself and the other participants in thumbnail photos with the name of each person under their picture. If your name appears as "John's iPad", or "iPhone 189567", then we don't really know who you are, which is a security issue. If that happens when you join the meeting, please just click on your name, and then click "rename" and change it to your full name. It will help Ramon and me as we co-host the meeting. Thanks!



Looking for some inspiration while you are staying home? Check out the [SPSW YouTube Channel](#)

WIT EXCHANGE

VIRTUAL 2021

Presentation of Projects

June 19th at 3 pm EDT



Come Celebrate the Process of Creativity!

Eighty-eight women from 7 countries became 27 collaborative teams. Their collective efforts will be showcased during this event.

Please join us as we enjoy the creativity and diverse experiences shared and used by these makers for this collaboration.

The 2021 Virtual WIT EXCHANGE presentation of projects on June 19th at 3pm EDT is a virtual art show that includes a rare look behind the scenes at the creative process. Each team documented, then, condensed their journey into lively, thought provoking, creative, sometimes humorous, and always entertaining 5 minute presentations introducing their project and summarizing their creative process. It is our hope you will find inspiration in these projects to enhance of your own creative process.

ALL WIT Presents events are FREE and open to EVERYONE. However, you must register to attend. Registration for this event is now open on the AAW website, please use and share this link: <http://tiny.cc/WITExchange21Presentation> with everyone you know. Once registered, you will receive an email with a link to access the event.

If you miss the live event, as a registered attendee, you will be able to view the recorded event in the archive.

2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
June 17th	Steve Sinner Part II	✓	Embellishment
July 15th	Tom Willing	✓	Turning an egg
Saturday July 17 th 2021 11:00AM	North Lake Community Improvement Center		Wood Auction/Pot-Luck
August 19, 2021	Kirk DeHeer	✓	Tips and Tricks
September 16th	Eric Loftstrom		Square Rimmed Bowl
October 21st	Cindy Drozda	✓	Sea Urchin Ornament
November 18th	Jimmy Allen	✓	Beaded Box
December 16th	Holiday dinner/wood giveaway		
January 20th, 2022	Doug Reynolds		Stabilization
February 17th, 2022	Ken Light		Resin Casting for pens

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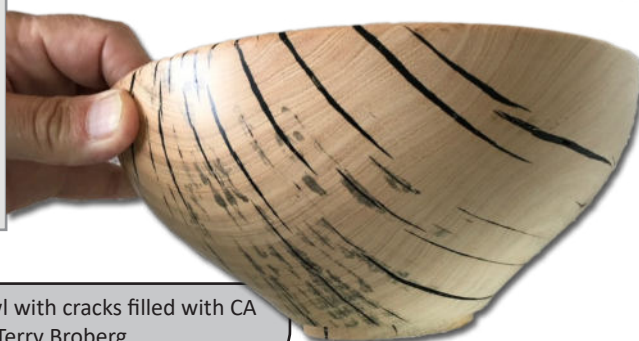
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Segmented cup
John Howard



Madrone bowl with cracks filled with CA
Terry Broberg

We are collecting 2021 dues. Dues for individuals or for the whole family are \$35/year. We accept cash, check, Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card.

This is still one of the best deals around. For just \$35 you get a monthly meeting featuring top notch presenters, an avenue to display your talents, and a forum to seek advice and ask questions. You have access to a group of mentors who can help you improve your skills.

Also, there is a monthly "open turning session" (our Sawdust Sessions) on the Saturday following the meeting. Use the membership application below and pay at the meeting or mail it to the address on membership form.

We now also have the option for you to join, renew, or just donate. We are a registered 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. You can pay at the meeting, or online! Just go to our website (www.spswoodturners.org), fill out the form, and pay with PayPal.

AAW membership is separate from membership in the SPSW Chapter. Now is also a good time to sign up for the [American Association of Wood turners \(AAW\)](#). Annual memberships in the AAW operate on an yearly anniversary cycle, whereby your membership will start with your join date and continue until the same date the following year.

If your level of AAW membership includes a printed copy of the American Woodturners journal, you will receive six issues starting with the issue published after you join or renew.

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South Puget Sound Woodturners (SPSW) Membership Application

Name: _____ Membership: ☐ New
☐ Renewal

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

How would you like to receive the newsletter? Email: ☐ US Mail: ☐

How long have you been turning? _____ AAW Member?: _____

Interest: Spindle Turning ☐ Bowls ☐ Vases ☐ Segmented turning ☐ Tool making ☐

Tool Sharpening ☐ Pen Making ☐ Other ☐

Membership dues for South Puget Sound Woodturners are \$35.00 annually. IF paying by mail, make the check payable to South Puget Sound Woodturners (or SPSW) and mail this form to:

South Puget Sound Woodturners

PO Box 1792

Milton WA 98354

If paying online, [visit our website](#), fill out the online form and pay with Paypal