

How Do You DO That?



Stephen Hatcher is a woodturner and sculptor who incorporates mineral crystals into his designs. This unique style of artwork has earned him many awards including recognition by **Southwest Art** magazine as the most innovative wood artist in 2007. He has also been featured in many other books and magazines, including most recently "100 Northwest Artists," "CAST," and "Audacious." **Stephen's** work is found in numerous private, corporate, and institution collections around the world. Trained in **electrical engineering** and **mathematics**, **Stephen** was an entrepreneur in the Seattle, WA area for 25 years designing cutting-edge satellite communications equipment. Retiring from the field in 2002, he pursued his love of art which draws in-

spiration from the natural beauty and cultural aspects of the Pacific Rim.

Stephen has developed many methods of combining the inlay of minerals shell, and others, with woodturning and flat-wood art. In 2013 and 2014 respectively **Stephen** was an **Artist-in-Residence** at **Denali National Park, Alaska** and **Gates of the Arctic National Park, Alaska**.

Stephen has taught design, inlay, and finishing techniques repeatedly at six renowned U.S. schools as well as demonstrating or lecturing at clubs and symposiums across the country and internationally.



He resides on **Oyster Bay** in western Washington State with his wife **Brenda**, several pets, and a 1000 sq. ft. shop/studio. **Stephen** strives to conceive and create pieces that reach out and connect with others - works to stir the viewer's memory, imagination, and evoke a moment in time.

May
2019

Regular
meeting is
the last
Wednesday,
of the month

Meet & Greet at
6 PM followed by
announcements
at 6:30.

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Other
activities
include

Featured
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Refreshments,
Show and Tell,
Wood Auction,
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President's Corner

Greetings for May

Spring is well upon us. I for one have been caught up in outside spring chores. Unfortunately turning has taken a back seat. There are lots of things to do and wood is plentiful from all the spring clean-up of the winter weather. For those that attended the Sawdust session this month there was a wide variety of tricks and techniques demonstrated. The new to the club **Powermatic 3520B** was used for the first time! Those who participated in the **Stephen Hatcher** workshop at his studio learned a lot of things besides drooling on his work displayed in his home. At this writing we are looking forward to the second session at Ray Ewing's shop to complete the projects started. We each poured four different projects with resin and various additives.

The **Kitsap Fair** is coming in **August 22-25**, and this year in recognition of *50 years of Fairs* the admission to the Fair will be **Free**. We are planning to again have a spot and demonstrate our craft with the public. As always spin tops will be demonstrated and given out as well as many other items that can be turned in a relatively short time. There is a new **fair director** and he is open to the idea of us doing **live teaching** to the public next year. There would be a number of things to work prior to being able to do it.

The **annual picnic** is also on the horizon. **August 10, 2019 at my home**. Families are encouraged to attend. There will be various things available for the active. Ping-Pong, Foos-Ball, Swings, sand box, slide, Trampoline, Croquet, as well as just good food and

comradery. Parking may be an issue so carpooling is encouraged.

There is also discussion of creating a **club shirt** with our logo embroidered on it. More information will be coming.

The Challenge this month is Pens or Eggs. This includes items other than pens that are turned on a mandrel.

Enjoy the good weather and get some time at the lathe as well!

See you at the meeting,

Larry Lemon — President

President's Challenges – 2019

May – Pens or Eggs

June – Laminate and Turn must be from glued stock

July – **Tops for Fair (always needed! Make some at the sawdust session too, and consider volunteering to work the booth at the Kitsap Fair if you haven't before. It's a lot of fun!)**

August – Collaboration of 2 or more members

September – Long stemmed Goblet – Warbler??

October – Napkin Rings

November – Christmas Ornament/ Decoration

December – **Merry Christmas** – attend Christmas Party – no challenge

CHATTERMARKS

There is no "cheating" in woodturning... just "creativity" and different ways to do things.



Calendar of events, shows, classes and other things

CHATTERMARKS

May 29 — Regular Meeting. Stephen Hatcher. "Demo — How Do You Do That?" See his site at: <http://stephenhatcher.com/>

June 26 — Regular Meeting. Demo — Coring Systems: Ray Ewing; Michael Block; Scott Overby

July 31 — Regular Meeting. Art Lietsman. Demo "Beyond Round: Thermoforming"

August 28 — Regular Meeting. Demo TBD

September 25 — Regular Meeting and Sawdust Session with the Board Hoarder; Steve Bartucci will also be onsite selling wood and will be a stop on the sawdust session. This meeting will also feature a tool sale! Stay tuned for news...

October 30 — Regular Meeting. Brad Stave "How to hold most everything"

November 19—Regular Meeting. Demo TBD

More to follow and you can **keep up to date at our club website** [calendar](http://opcaaw.com/my-calendar/):
<http://opcaaw.com/my-calendar/>

We have "so much opportunity to put a bad finish on our work"

Mike Mahoney

"Spheres of Influence"

WIT (Women In Turning, an organization within **AAW**) is asking for spheres as a fundraiser that will be displayed at the **Western Region Collaboration** in **August** at the **Waco** symposium and then auctioned. The proceeds will go to their youth scholarships. Here is the "ask."

- **Spheres from all club members**
- **Any size up to 3 inches**
- **Interesting wood, embellished, painted, carved, etc.**
- **Spheres will be collected at the June meeting**

Please consider adding this challenge for a good cause to your shop time in the next month.

Questions? Please see [Sandi Swayze](#), WIT Liaison

360-434-0816; sandi.swayze@yahoo.com

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Looking to make room in your shop by clearing out that special thing you couldn't do that project without? Do you have something wood turning related for sale that you want our other members to know about? Let us know and we'll see if we can advertise it here in our newsletter.

A **nominations committee** has been charged with presenting a slate of candidates to serve as officers and board members of **OPCAAW** next year. If you are interested in becoming an officer or a member of the board at large, please see or contact [Jeff Brody](#), who is chair of the committee. The committee's recommendations will be presented to the membership for consideration by **Oct. 1**. Elections for officers and board members generally are held during the **November** meeting..

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May 5th Sawdust Session



On Sunday May 5th OPCAOW had another Sawdust session for its members and guests. It was a lot fun .. We got a chance to interact with other club members, pick up a few



new tips and practice techniques and even got some coring done. We have rescheduled the June session to the fall.



Stephen Hatcher Workshop Day One



We had seven members at day one of the workshop at Stephen's shop on the shores of Puget Sound in Olympia. It was a very enjoyable day

and very well organized to take maximum advantage of the time to do hands on work for four inlay projects.



- For those who might be interested, the English magazine "Woodturning" is available by subscription from the following U. S. news agent.
- (Thanks to Jackie Le Doux for this tidbit)
- Lightning Publications
- 5009 W. Rio Vista Ave.
- Tampa, FL 33634
- [1-866-699-6779](tel:1-866-699-6779)

From the [STRAIT TURNERS](#)

Join us for our next meeting May 28th, 12:00 PM at the Gardiner Community Center.

Russell Neyman will present at the the "Nifty Fifty" shop tips. Please come join us. New turners welcome. \$5 door fee for non-members.

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The Mentoring Program

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While not actually a formal training program, meetings with mentors often become just that. In some cases, ad-

vanced formal instruction is available at an hourly rate.

OPCA AW Mentoring is **available only to members**. Please bring your current badge with you to the first session.

The current Mentors are:

George Kromka (Bremerton) 360-373-1028

Jim Leary (Kingston) 360-297-5872

Brad Stave (Gig Harbor) 206-910-5459

Go to this [link](#) on our [website](#) for an updated article on the Mentor Program — what it takes to be a good mentor!

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