

Ed Pretty: Beyond "ABC"

This month's virtual **OPCAAW** meeting will feature a demonstration by **Ed Pretty**, whose subject is "Beyond Anchor, Bevel, Cut: How to Become a Better Turner."



Ed is a **Vancouver, B.C.** area turner. On his [website](#), he notes: "In the beginning I drew on my general knowledge and experience – sharpening, wood properties, general woodworking and machine tool theory – to help me understand woodturning techniques. Most recently I have been fortunate to learn directly from some of the best turners in the world. Because it has been a long, uncertain process to get where I am, I am very sensitive (sic) to the needs of new turners as well as experienced turners venturing into new territory. I am

myself always learning new techniques."

OPCAAW members can start signing on for our **Zoom** meeting as early as 5:30 to socialize. President **Brad Stave** will make club announcements starting at 6:15. A virtual **Show & Tell** presentation will start immediately thereafter, with the demonstration following.

All members in good standing will receive an email announcement with the link to enter the **Zoom** meeting prior to **July 29**.



Ed. — I'm certainly looking forward to this one and hope you can join us!

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Regular
meeting is
the last
Wednesday,
of the month
THIS MONTH
WE ARE
Meeting
VIRTUALLY

Members in good
standing
should watch
for the link
via email.

Other
activities
include

Featured
Demonstration,

BYO
Refreshments,

Show and Tell,

See our
website at

OPCAAW.COM

President's Corner

OPCAAW – As we enter the heat of the summer, we are still struggling with the Corona Virus. At our last board meeting we discussed that we may not have another physical meeting until after the new year. We hope to, but we will continue to monitor what the state agencies have to say. With that said we have a great demo this month with Ed Pretty ... especially for new turners and for all us old timers that have forgotten the basics ... should be a great one.

Just a couple of comments ... this last weekend was the virtual AAW symposium and close to 4000 folks participated via Zoom. Comments for those that attended were very positive and it was a nice way to stay in touch with fellow turners across the country / world.

All our members should have received an email announcing a special sale and free wood on August first. During one of our board meetings we became a bit concerned about all the glue we have sitting in storage and that there is a shelf life. So, we will have a glue and sand paper sale along with Ray Ewing having had to cut down 5 big leaf Maple trees and he needs some help getting rid of it. The event will be held at Ray's and if you are a paid member and did not receive the invite please contact Rob Parker at publicrelations@opcaaw.com.

Take care and stay healthy,

Brad Stave

OPCAAW President

Let's get you into the Show and Tell portion of the Zoom meeting!

It's time to submit photos of your recent work for the **OPCAAW** Virtual **Show & Tell** for **July**. All photos submitted by **5 p.m. on Monday, July 27** will be included in the **Show & Tell** presentation during our **Zoom** meeting **Wednesday, July 29**.

You can submit up to two photos each of two projects. Please place your items on a plain background and make sure to focus your camera on the part of the item you wish to emphasize.

Photos should be submitted in .jpg format and should be saved as a large .jpg file. File size should be at least 1 mgb. **Webmaster Jeff Brody** will contact you if there is a problem with your submission.

Send photos to:

webmaster@opcaaw.com

"In all object making, that aspect which relates to conceptual interpretation is Art, that which relates the object to an intended purpose is Design, and the quality of its execution is Craft."

(Hella Basu)

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Calendar of events, shows, classes and other things

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July 29th — Virtual Meeting. Ed Pretty — Beyond ABC (Anchor, Bevel, Cut)...Become a better turner.

August 1st — One day Glue, Sandpaper and wood sale at Ray Ewing's shop. If you made one of the wig stands for John and Jackie's cause, please bring it on that day so they can collect them.

August 26th — Virtual Meeting. Rudy Lopez — TBD; (He gave a great demo for the annual AAW Symposium!)

August 26-30 — Kitsap Fair; We have canceled our booth for this year.

September 30th — Regular Meeting (Only if we get to Phase 4). Tones Briggs; Christmas Ornament

October 3rd — Finial Making Workshop with Tones Briggs at Ray's shop (If we get to Phase 4).

October 28th — Meeting format TBD. Demonstration TBD

November 19th — THURSDAY regular meeting; Demonstration TBD

More to follow and you can **keep up to date at our club website** [calendar](#).

"...craft is about making things well...art is about manipulating and arranging materials to visually articulate an idea." (from Studio Craft as Career by Paul Stankard)

From the STRAIT TURNERS

Due to a limitation imposed by the demonstrator this month, **Strait Turners** will not be able to invite **OPCAAW** members. Stay tuned for future meetings where we can join them again. *This is not a change in their policy or preference.*

Future Invitation details will be sent to **OPCAAW** members in good standing before the event; **please make sure we have your current email address**. Send any updates to webmaster@opcaaw.com



It's never too late to pay your dues. Looking for an easy way to update your annual dues?? You can do that on our website (links have been repaired)!! If you update your dues via **PayPal**, you will get an email confirmation. **Keep yourself current** and our club solvent! Dues were about half our budget before we went to virtual meetings and now represent a **much** greater percentage of our budget.

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AGENDA for 29 July Meeting on Zoom (login details by separate email):

5:30 PM — meeting starts; **Zoom** meeting “opened” by **Ed Pretty** (our presenter); quick social time for members signing on to **Zoom** Only members can login until 6:00.

6:15 PM — Announcements from **Brad Stave** our current *President*

About 6:30 PM — Commence **Show and Tell** (virtual, using photos submitted to **webmaster**), led by our *webmaster*, **Jeff Brody**. (NOTE: we have canceled the president’s challenge part of the program until further notice). **SUBMIT IN-FOCUS PHOTOS WITH A SIMPLE BACKGROUND of up to 2 pieces (up to 2 photos of each piece) TO webmaster@OPCAAW.com no later than 5 PM on Monday 27 July.**

About 7:00 PM — Commence roughly **2 hour demonstration**; **all microphones will be muted** for the demonstration to allow uninterrupted presentation, and Ed will give us instructions on asking questions as he goes (he may take a while to see the ones posted in chat). You will be able to unmute to ask questions or use the “*raise hand*” feature on the **Zoom** app.

BYOC: Bring Your Own Cookies

Did you know that your friends and chapter colleagues can sign up to get all the benefits of online AAW membership FREE? Once they sign up, they’ll get full access to all digital content including AAW publications ***American Woodturner*** and ***Woodturning FUNDamentals***. Plus, they’ll get a digital membership card, weekly and bimonthly e-newsletters, and have access to Explore, Video Source, online learning portals, optional public profile as a Demonstrator and/or Maker with image availability, and more. All of this is **FREE** for up to 90 days.

Here’s where to sign up:

[Affiliate Membership: For friends who are members of local chapters.](#)

[Guest Membership: For friends who are unaffiliated with a chapter.](#)

For help, please contact us by phone Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (CST) at 877-595-9094 (toll free U.S.) or 651-484-9094 or email us at memberservices@woodturner.org.

“The impatient desire to make masterpieces can prove to be a stumbling block to progress because it is perseverance with simple work, until every tool movement becomes confident, that gives the ability to tackle complex things.” (Bill Jones, *Further Notes from the Turning Shop*)

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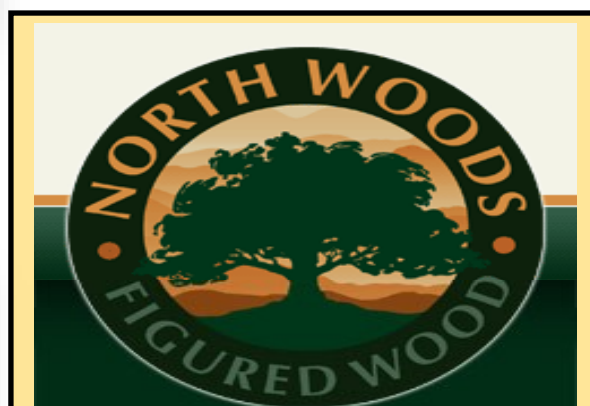


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While not actually a formal training program, meetings with mentors often become just that. In some cases, ad-

vanced formal instruction is available at an hourly rate.

OPCAOW 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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