

Hand Tools for Embellishments with Roberto Ferrer

Roberto Ferrer was born and raised in Mexico, where he was surrounded by art and crafts from the early age.

While drawing and painting were part of his everyday life, the love for wood as a medium was born in his childhood when he used to visit his cousin's wood shop. But it was the colonial and baroque style architecture in his hometown that sparked the desire to one day be able to create sculptural work.

His natural curiosity of knowing how things are built and him to explore different jobs mechanics, body shop

In his mid twenties he started carving sculptural bowls and vessels using a limited number of handheld power tools. Although the results were somewhere satisfactory, it was hard on his body and time consuming as well. And this is what eventually led him to pursue woodturning as a way of removing wood in a more efficient manner and to lay the base for the sculptural work he currently creates.



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In July 2019 he received the POP Excellence Award, and his work was featured in the AAW journal in August 2019 as well as the October issue of the same year.



In 2020 Roberto was among the invited artists for the POP exhibition, where he presented a sculpture with his own interpretation of Quetzalcoatl.

In recent years he has been invited to demonstrate at local woodturning clubs, and to teach in wood working schools. Since 2018 he has participated in art shows throughout the Midwest as well as online juried exhibitions. He is humble to know that his work is now part of private collections across the USA and Europe.

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This month's meeting is Oct 26th at Kitsap Adventist School, 5088 NW Taylor Road, Bremerton.

In-person meeting.

Masks optional.

Attend virtually via Zoom.

Other activities include

Featured Demonstration,

BYO Refreshments,

Show and Tell,

See our website at

OPCAAW.COM

President's Corner

As the year winds down its time to elect a new board of directors. Several years ago the by laws were revised to have term limits for the board position. So this year my term as president is complete and Ray Ewing our treasurers term is complete. Larry Lemon being the past president has the task of presenting a proposed slate of new board members at this months meeting. Larry will also be asking the members if they want to add any names to the list. In November at our general meeting we will then vote for the proposed names for the positions that are open. This last year our director of membership, Cecilia Williams, moved to Georgia so we also need to fill that position.

The club runs smoothly solely on the efforts of volunteers. Volunteers are not just needed for board positions but for all of the activities the club promotes from setting up chairs at the meeting, running the video equipment to helping at the Kitsap fair. There are many other opportunities to volunteer on a monthly / yearly basis. The good news is that OPCA AW is at its greatest membership level in history with appx. 150 members and the club always benefits when we get new members ... so step up this next year and get to know your other club members ... thanks

Brad Stave, OPCA AW President

To renew your membership by going to the **OPCA AW.COM** website, please log in and then and click on

"Renew Membership."

The Oct 26th general meeting will in-person at the school and via Zoom and there will be a wood auction, show and tell.

Mask are optional for all attendees

If you don't feel well, please stay at home and ZOOM

OPCAAW is in process of scheduling classes at the 7th day Adventist school every last Sunday of the month. OPCA AW has contracted with the school to rent the space. So the price of the classes will be minimal so we can cover the cost of renting the school and each class will have a material fee and will be different for each class based on the material required.

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/>

Save the Dates!

2022 AAW Virtual Symposium



Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16, 2022

Whether you are woodturning as a hobby or plan to become a pro, the projects, techniques, and tips from this event will help you build foundational woodturning skills. Learn beginner and intermediate skills through projects by some of the best woodturning instructors from around the world: Helen Bailey, Ernie Conover, Keith Gotschall, Rudolph Lopez, Jim Rodgers, and Malcolm Tibbetts.



2023 AAW Symposium in Louisville, KY

Kentucky Exposition Center

June 1 - 4

More info coming soon!

“He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman. He who works with his hands and his head and his heart is an artist.” — St. Francis of Assisi



OREGON WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM

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**Is now planned for
 March 17-19, 2023 in
 Albany, Oregon**

Pre-Covid one of our most popular Wednesday night events was the 3 ring circus, by that we had 6 folks turning (Saw Dust Session), Members Tool Sale, and The Board Hoarder. At our November 30th Wednesday night general meeting these folks will be demonstrating / teaching the following projects. A Saw Dust sessions gives our members an opportunity to try some new techniques or just watch.

Larry Lemon – Alternative Ornaments

Tones Briggs – Christmas Ornaments

Tim Larson -Taming the Skew

Brad Powers – Pen Making

George Kromka – Sharpening your Bandsaw blades

Jimmie Allen – Box Making

Scott Overby – Using Ruth Nile Offset Jig

The members tools sale is an opportunity to pass along at a reasonable price tools and whatever to other club members . We will set up tables and members will be responsible for selling and collecting the money, the club will take no responsibility for handling the money, however the club would appreciate a 10% commission on your total sales to help defer club expenses.

The Board Hoarder , Steve Bartocci will be bringing a bunch of domestic and exotic hardwoods for sale, Steve is a member of the International Wood Collectors and travel the world collecting wood that he will be bringing. Steve is also one of the leading experts on wood here in the northwest .

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CONSIDER A MENTOR—The OP-CAAW **Mentors** are a select group of artisans and professionals who we have designated to promote, encourage, and guide novice and intermediate woodturners within our organization. Mentors provide counsel on subjects like shop setup, equipment purchase, safety, wood preparation and specialized skills. These are some friendly folks willing to give you a point in the right direction.

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.

OPCAAW 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)	360-913-8073
Brad Stave (Gig Harbor)	206-910-5459
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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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