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Sam Angelo, The Wyoming Wood Turner
Sept. 8, 2018, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM



On September 8, 2018, Sam will show us his technique for turning a rough-turned bowl to completion, showing us a PowerPoint explaining finishes and wet sanding, thread chasing, a mallet with off-center handle, and finish with a box with matching lid and base.

I have always admired Sam's Artist Statement and I want to share it with you before he meets with us. His statement rings true to me;

"The most important point in the creation of my work is the moment just before a project begins. Whatever skill, experience, and design capabilities I have, now come into play as I take the first step toward making a piece. Once the direction is set, I move forward with my initial intentions and make changes when necessary.

A particular painting may not be beautiful to everyone. But that same painting will elicit a reaction: an emotion, an opinion or criticism, or an idea that will be a seed for more art. As artists, we are influenced by the creativity of others. I am careful not to allow this same influence to restrict or set limits on my work.

My current interests include hand chasing threads and coloring wood. I often combine these two disciplines while making a hollow form with a threaded lid and finial. My focus continues to move away from untouched natural wood and toward adding color, applying a sprayed and buffed, lacquered finish or applying a secondary wood as an accent."

This should be a fun meeting, come and help me welcome the Wyoming Woodturner to The Bay Area Woodturners Association. You may want to join us in the lunchroom at lunchtime to ask Sam questions as we all sit around in a relaxed atmosphere eating our lunch.

See you on Saturday, Sept. 8. 2018.





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Club Meetings

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month unless otherwise noted.

8:30 doors open for setup, use store and library, swap ideas, view displays

9:00—12:30 meeting and demo

Meetings will be held at the PHEC Woodturning Center, 1 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, CA.

See bayareawoodturners.org/ for directions and club information.

BAWA Officers Meeting -

Officer meetings are open to all members. Contact John Cobb at: president@bayareawoodturners.org if you would like to be on the agenda.

2018 Event Schedule

Sept 8th	Sam Angelo 8:30-4:00
Oct 13th	Bob Nolan A Bowl Within a Bowl 8:30-12:30
Nov 10th	John Cobb Hollow Form From Log 8:30-12:30
Dec	Holiday Party
Jan 12th 2019	Jim Rodgers 8:30-12:30
Feb 9th	Mike Mahoney A Remote Demo 8:30-12:30

The Bay Area Woodturners Association is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The Association usually meets the second Saturday of each month. The Association periodically sponsors exhibitions and demonstrations by local and internationally known turners.

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Bob Nolan

October 13, 2018
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Our guest presenter for October is Bob Nolan. Many of you know him as a teacher, coach and woodturner who can turn everything from miniature bowls, hollow forms, natural edge, segmented pieces to some of the most extraordinary basket illusions I have ever seen.



Bob has been working with wood since he was a young man. He started his career as a union carpenter moving into the ranks of a construction superintendent. One weekend he attended a craft fair and came across a woodturning demonstration. He was hooked on what he saw and about what he could create. He quickly bought a large wood lathe and began his woodturning career creating wood art.

Some of his most recognized pieces are basket illusions. He learned about basket illusions after seeing them in the Smithsonian collection. A spark set a fire in Bob and he began researching basket illusion techniques and studied basket illusion experts like Lincoln Seitzman as well as other artists that incorporated designs of predominately South West Indians.

Bob has been an instructor at the Mt. Diablo Woodturning Center from its beginning. As an instructor and coach he has mentored many of us. His works can also be seen at the Gallery M in Half Moon Bay and at Valley Art Gallery in Walnut Creek.

He has also won national recognition in our industry as an exceptional woodturner as well as numerous awards at the Alameda County Fair and the California State Fair. He was also selected to exhibit at the California Contours in San Luis Obispo, a juried exhibition of lathe turned work sponsored by the 15 California Chapters of the American Association of Woodturners..

In October Bob will be demonstrating an offset bowl. Please come and join me for an interesting October meeting with one of our own.



President's Chatter

September 2018



Summer is coming to an end with kids back in school, traffic returning to commutes and we hope Indian summer bringing a little heat back to our afternoons. Vacations and family gatherings are now on past calendar pages so hopefully this opens the door for a little more shop time and the opportunity to get inspired to create.

Recently I was asked why I turn wood - and I gave the standard “finding diamonds in the rough” answer but later on I thought about it a little more. It's a very personal question, you can dive deep and it becomes a therapy session or simply poke at the surface. To me turning is about creating, starting with raw materials and tools, establish a plan then watching chips fly as they reveal something beautiful. A great cut with a bowl gouge and seeing how grain and figure appear is part the process I probably enjoy more than the finished piece. Why do you turn?

On Saturday we have a full day meeting with Sam Angelo who is a great teacher and presenter. Sam will turn a number of projects (bowl, box and mallet) and will spend time discussing finishing which is a topic many of us struggle with. Sam has gained significant recognition through his youtube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRZxyT3UUS8spkIZDAsaFnA> this is a chance to see him in person.

This meeting also marks the return of show-and-tell along with the wood raffle! So bring a piece to show and a hunk of wood to throw in the raffle. I look forward to seeing everyone on Saturday.

Keep turning

John Cobb

Membership News

By Hugh Bevan-Thomas

We have one new member this month bringing our total to 147

We are not doing as well as last year when we reached 170 by the end of the year

Remember, if you have a friend who might want to try membership for half a year, the semiannual fee is only \$30.00 after July 1st

The more members we have helps keep the costs down



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BAWA members receive a 10% discount when purchasing directly at the Concord Rockler Store at:

<http://www.rockler.com/retail/stores/ca/concord-store>.

Mention your BAWA membership when checking out, to receive your discount. Rockler also donates part of the proceeds back to the club which help support our Holiday Party raffle.



Annual Picnic “Tops” Them All!

The August BAWA Picnic & Tool Swap was a resounding success this year. Once again we convened at the Pleasant Hill Community Park for a great BBQ lunch, fantastic potluck side dishes, perfect weather and plenty of tools and wood to changed hands. An esteemed crew of volunteers manned the BBQ grill, cooking up burgers and brats which fed everyone.



A few members brought spinning tops for the Presidents’ challenge which was fun to watch. The record for a finger snapped top approached two minutes. Dave Plemons brought a top which could only be described as Robo Top. Reportedly it can spin for over 10 minutes with a pull cord - a testament to finely turned and balanced craftsmanship. If you search youtube, you will find an amazing universe of impressive top videos.

A resounding thank you to Kim Wolfe for coordinating the event as well as all the able assistants who helped setup, cook and clean up. The event does not happen without your time and commitment to the club - we do appreciate the team effort.





by Cindy Navarro

Cindy will return next month

BAWA Classified Ads



We want members and others with items to sell or trade, services to render or if you're just looking to find a specific item from fellow BAWA members. Please send ads to Louie Silva at: newslettereditor@bayareawoodturners.org

You can't beat the price...FREE!!

DON'T FORGET!

Bring some of that wood you have taking up space in your shop to share in our monthly raffle.



AAW TIP OF THE WEEK

"I like Abralon pads [a foam-backed abrasive made by Mirka] because their abrasive stays bonded to the pad, even if it is left in the finish indefinitely. All air must be squeezed from the pad before leaving it in the finish. If any air is left in the pad, the finish will harden around the pad in the container, destroying the pad and shortening the shelf life of the finish. This finishing recipe, if stored in a well-sealed container, has a long shelf life." ~ Tom Wirsing



AAW VIDEO SOURCE: FLICK OF THE WEEK

In this video, Paul Lockwood demonstrates how to finish several rough turned boxes - simply and beautifully.



Click: [Finishing Boxes, Paul Lockwood \(TRT 11:18\)000](#)

Paste: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fy6rVtu_i9Y&feature=em-subsub_digest

Anchorseal 2

Is here!!

The club bought 55 gallons of Anchorseal 2, which is the gold standard for green wood sealers. This protects freshly cut logs from splitting and is used to coat green turned bowls for slow uniform drying.

The club is selling 1 gallon containers at a 50+% discount to retail and at the same time will make a little profit that will be reinvested into next year's budget. In addition we will have an additional 10%+ discount at the September meeting (cash only).

	Sept Sale		Store
	\$/gal	Total	Price
1 gal	\$18	\$18	\$20
3 gal	\$16	\$48	\$55

- Woodcraft sells 1 quart for \$15.29 plus tax
- Amazon sells 1 gallon for \$35.90 plus shipping

10 gallons is already gone, when the supply runs out that's it.

CRAFT SUPPLIES 10% DISCOUNT ORDER

The 10% discount applies to any published price (including sale items, close-outs, etc.) on almost all items. Craft Supplies has a new catalog that includes new items with a different item numbering system. There have been some price increases as well so don't use old catalogs. If you don't have the latest catalog please look on-line to pick your loot and check prices and item numbers.

Orders are placed by filling out an electronic order form which is available on the BAWA website.
E-mail the form to Dean Adkins (adkd@chevron.com) with all the requested information:

Member name, phone number and e-mail address
Catalog item number
Catalog page number
Item description
Quantity ordered
List / sale price (before 10% discount)



You can call Dean (925-998-4111) to place an order, but must follow up with an e-mail to confirm all the required information.

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