



# Atlanta Woodturners Guild

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## Atlanta Woodturners Guild

The Atlanta Woodturners Guild (AWG) was formed to provide support, ideas, and camaraderie to fellow woodturners in the metro Atlanta area. Atlanta Woodturners Guild is Chapter Club (#274) of the American Association of Woodturners. The Guild meets once a month and members are invited to display examples of their work at the Instant Gallery. New and established turners also have the opportunity to ask questions and solve problems with other members.

## Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter

Each month the Atlanta Woodturners Guild publishes an electronic newsletter. Articles on the previous month's meeting, Instant Gallery, and demonstrator presentation are included, along with news on related events, activities and items for sale.

## Atlanta Woodturners Guild Monthly Meeting

Atlanta Woodturners Guild meets the third Wednesday of each month, except November, when we meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in 2019. Our monthly meeting format continues with the Opening, Instant Gallery presentations, followed by our featured Presenter / Guest Demonstrator, raffle drawing and closing remarks. The Instant Gallery provides a means for sharing your work and is a great way for other members to get some ideas what their next project may be. As an added benefit, each month all entry participants into the Instant Gallery are included in a random drawing for a gift card prize.

Have a question on a project you're working on? Need some feedback on a technique you're trying out? How about some advice on a tool, a wood species, or finishing technique? Our club has lots of expertise and knowledge available, so stop by the "Expertise Corner" before the start of each meeting and present your question. There's no guarantee on the answer, but plenty of folks are willing to try and help you out. Bring in the item you are working on if you think it will help explain what the opportunity is.

Please feel free to join us for a social gathering or bite to eat before the meeting. You can try to beat traffic and get to know your fellow wood turners better if you do. We will be going as a group to a local restaurant within walking distance of Woodcraft. We will be leaving between 5:00-5:15 so come join us. You will be amazed how much more you will learn about woodturning and members of the club.

## A note from our Club Treasurer;

Well, here it is July again. Seems like 2019 is quickly passing by and another decade comes to a close. During the past couple of years the Atlanta Woodturners Guild has evolved in an attempt to keep pace with rapidly changing technologies, societal behaviors, communication, and recreation. And these are just the areas that come to mind in the relative world of wood turning! I'm thinking that we'll see more interesting developments in the future as artisans and craftspeople blend traditional skills and practices with new materials, tooling, technologies, and new viewpoints from those who join in on the woodturning realm to come.

As we enter the second half of 2019, take a few moments to consider how you see the woodturning space we're in evolving in the future. Perhaps you see an opportunity where you can gain or help influence development. You might even consider becoming more involved with the Club operations, perhaps even serving as a club officer. We will have some elections coming at the end of the year! Remember the future is what you make of it!

Mike

## Next Meeting; July 17, 2019

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild will be on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 6:45 PM (***Please note the start time***). Our meeting will take place at Woodcraft of Atlanta, 8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Suite 115, Alpharetta, GA 30022. Arrive early before the meeting to look around, talk with the store team, and maybe buy a few of those project or shop items you've been considering.

We also invite everyone to meet for dinner before the meeting at Hooligans at 5:15. This is a good chance to beat the traffic and get to know some of the other members of the club. It is an easy walk from Woodcraft or feel free to drive (there is a traffic light on Holcomb bridge so its easy access to get in and out.)

Hooligans  
8440 Holcomb Bridge Rd  
Alpharetta GA, 30022

Our July 2019 demonstrator is *Benoit Averly* and the topic is "*Boxes with a Skew*".

Take a few minutes and check out some of *Demonstrator's* work at <http://benoitaverly.com/home/>

or on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Benoitaverlysculpteur>

before the meeting. Join us, bring lots of questions, and welcome *Demonstrator* to our club meeting.

Guests are always welcome. The meeting location is:

**Woodcraft of Atlanta**  
8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd  
Suite 115  
Alpharetta GA, 30022  
(770) 587-3372  
[www.woodcraftatl.com](http://www.woodcraftatl.com)



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/atlantawtg/>



# JUNE 2019 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

## AWG hosts *Rebecca DeGroot* for *June 2019* meeting demonstration

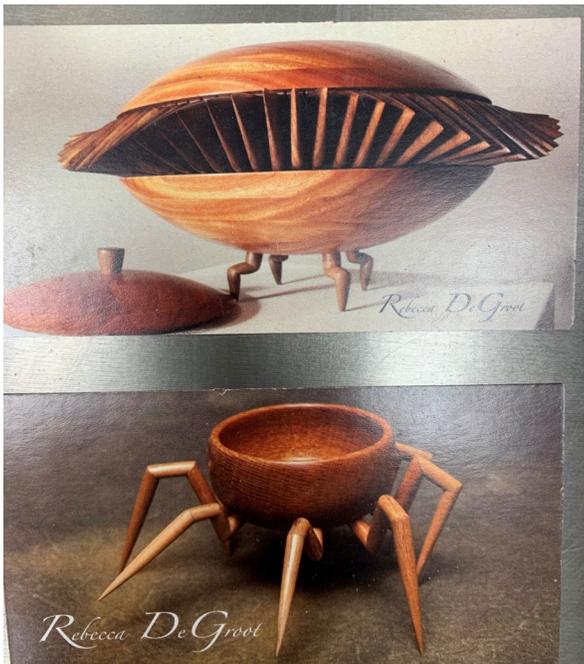
So— you think you know what a “walking box” is? Better yet, can you imagine what inspired its creation? Rebecca DeGroot provided the AWG audience a great synopsis of the story behind her creation, process of design development, and construction methods she used bring the Walking Box to reality. The audience enjoyed Rebecca’s demonstration of her artistic skill which was punctuated with key points about the design form, turning and finishing and fabrication of the leg members. There was even some humor added as Rebecca embellished on her experiences as a professional teacher.

What form will the body take on? Where will the lid separate from the body? What material is the body to be? What kind of grain and which direction is best if it is to be wood? Rebecca’s schooling in art and her skill in presenting the thought processes involved with creation and fabrication made answers to these types of questions seem apparently easy. At the end of the demonstration another Walking Box had joined the universe. Take a look the photos below to see some of the steps involved in Rebecca’s work.



to

Rebecca DeGroot



Some of Rebecca’s previous Walking Boxes.



Here Rebecca is explaining differences in leg types and shapes.

The whiteboard sketches behind Rebecca (above) show cross-sections of the body and leg attachment as well as the interior hollowed section. Note emphasis on wall thickness variation. Thickness varies to provide structural support to leg mounting



# JUNE 2019 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS *cont.-*

Rebecca DeGroot *Continued from page 3-*

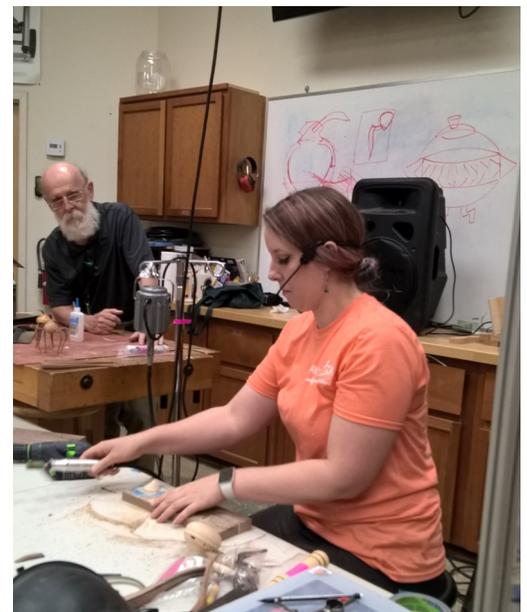


On the left you can see an example of the progression of work from blanks to component parts ready to be assembled into the Walking Box form. The top row shows the turned body section progressing from the blank on the left to finished carved section on right. The middle row shows the lid, parted from the body blank on the left and fitted and carved to fit the body on the right. Legs are shown in the bottom row, beginning with the blanks drawn on flat stock, blank sections cut, glued, splined and finally carved to finish shape on the right.

Progression of work from blank to parts

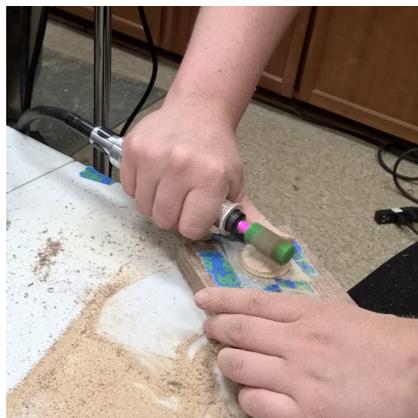


Once the body sections are turned and hollowed, the off center contours are added. Here Rebecca shows the method she uses to power carve the contours on the top section.



Hans is watching Rebecca get ready to carve one of the body sections.

Rebecca uses a Saburrtooth Power Carving bit to shape the body section contours. The bit is also used to profile the leg shapes from a flat cross-section to tapered and round profiles.





# JUNE 2019 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS *cont.-*

Rebecca DeGroot *Continued from page 4-*



Leg blanks drawn on flat stock ready for cutting



Leg that has been assembled from sections to enable the complex shape to be achieved



Above, Rebecca answers questions from the audience



On the right you see the final result from the demonstration. Rebecca brings another Walking Box into the universe!



# JUNE 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

## 4 Members bring 10 creative works for *June* Instant Gallery presentation

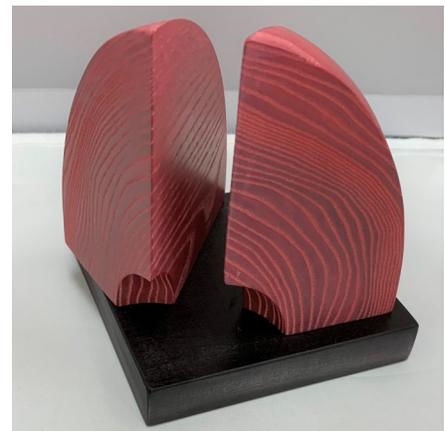
At our *June* 2019 club meeting we were enjoyed 10 pieces presented by 4 members. 3 items were classified as bowls, and 1 as a turned and carved figure, with the remaining 6 as specialty items. *Michael Gibson* was the random Instant Gallery winner of a \$20 Woodcraft gift card.

Here are the *June* 2019 Instant Gallery Entries listed by *Member Name* creators

Dan Douthart—Blue Wedgie; Ash, Chroma Craft



Dan Douthart—Red Widget; Ash, Chroma Craft





# JUNE 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Dan Douthart—Wall Art; Maple, Chroma Craft



Hans Meier—Bowl from a Board; Poplar, Mylands finish



Hans Meier –Bowl from a Board; Poplar, Mylands finish





# JUNE 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Hans Meier– Bowl from a Board; Poplar, Mylands finish



Katie Navarro– Bottle Stopper; Sycamore, no finish



Katie Navarro– Bottle Stoppers, Spectra Ply, cyanoacrylate finish





# JUNE 2019 INSTANT GALLERY

Michael Gibson—"Ready for the Carpet"; Pear, pyrography





# 2019 AWG HOT Sessions

## *Turn it on, Turn it up, Turn me loose!*

Our June 2019 Hands on Turning session was deemed successful!

Michael Gibson shared his knowledge on form and function associated with turning. Understand and execution of fundamentals lead to enjoyment of the turning processes and satisfaction in creation of the finished articles. Those who had the opportunity to participate in the June 2019 AWG HOT Session made it a success!

We have a few T-Shirts available; We have five left, one Triple-X, two XX's, and 2 LG's. They are available at the next meeting.

Don't miss the next HOT Session on August 7, 2019 where Harvey Meyer will help us turn some bowls!



### 2019 AWG HOT (Hands On Turning) Schedule

HOT Date	Facilitator	Topic
June 12, 2019	Michael Gibson	"Form"
July 10, 2019	Hans Meier	spinning tops and yoyos
August 7, 2019	Harvey Meyer	basic bowl turning
September 11, 2019	Frank Bowers	signature live edge bowl

HOT Date	Facilitator	Topic
October 9, 2019	Mike Riley	Pens
November 13, 2019	Steve Mellot	solid body Christmas ornaments
December 11, 2019	Katie Navarro	turn a jewelry box



# News & Information

## Swap Shop/For Sale

Two Tree Boyz Wood sells **locally harvested wood in end grain-sealed blank and log form**. We sell from our Buford location by appointment, at local turning clubs, and online through our website. Visit us for best price, best selection, and custom cutting. We have the potential to get new wood daily from my husband's tree service, so let me know if you are looking for something special. Elisabeth Ross --- 678.887.0896 --- [twotreeboyz@yahoo.com](mailto:twotreeboyz@yahoo.com)

**Tormek T4 For Sale** \$200 (price reduced) Four years old but with 3 years or less of use. Includes bowl gouge, spindle gouge, multi-tool sharpening jigs, and a dressing tool. Contact Katie Navarro at 404-557-4799 for more information

New, has not been used, **Craftsman lathe for sale**. Craftsman Model # 351.217150 Variable Speed Wood Lathe 15" x 38" Slightly used **Planer: Craftsman Model No. 351.217580 12-1/2" Thickness Planer**

Contact Mike Riley at [mjrwrr@hotmail.com](mailto:mjrwrr@hotmail.com) or 404-680-2132 if you're interested and he will put you in touch with owner.

## Upcoming 2019 Woodturning Events

### 2019 Turning Southern Style Symposium

September 20-22, 2019 Dalton Convention Center, Dalton, GA [www.gawoodturner.org/symposium](http://www.gawoodturner.org/symposium)

### July 2019 Newsletter Contest\*

This month we're making a trial run of a special newsletter based contest. We've got one \$10 Woodcraft gift card that will be offered in a special "newsletter raffle" to members or guests present who are one of the first five respondents to send an email to Mike Riley at [mjrwrr@hotmail.com](mailto:mjrwrr@hotmail.com) containing the answer to this question; "What does it say on the 2019 AWG HOT T-Shirt?"

*\*Emails must be sent prior to 4:00PM July 17, 2019. Recipient must be present at raffle during July 17, 2019 AWG Meeting.*

## 2019 AWG Club Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date	Guest Presenter
January 16, 2019	Peg Schmid
February 20, 2019	Jeff Hornung
March 20, 2019	Keith Gotschall
April 17, 2019	Walt Wager
May 15, 2019	Judy Ditmer
June 19, 2019	Rebecca DeGroot
July 17, 2019	Benoit Averly
August 21, 2019	TBD
September 18, 2019	Hans Weisflog
October 16, 2019	Robert Lyon
November 13, 2019	Dennis Paullus
December 18, 2019	Holiday Event

## July 2019 Meeting Auction Item

Take a look at the July 2019 AWG Meeting Auction item below. Don't forget to bring plenty of cash for bidding on this fantastic piece!



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At each monthly meeting a demonstration is conducted by professional turners from all over the world. It is a great opportunity to see a professional in action, ask questions and learn techniques. The AWG has a comprehensive library stocked with woodturning DVD's, and books. These items are available to the membership for a small rental fee. Members are kept informed about upcoming events and activities through this, their web site.

All interested in learning about woodturning are welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

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### Officers

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