



Newsletter

January 2026

January Meeting

Date and Time: Monday, January 19, 7:00 PM

Location: Consumers Power Board Room
6990 W Hills Rd, Philomath, OR 97370
Pull around to the back of the building, park and come in

Topic: Board update – lots to report
Topic generation for 2026 meetings
42nd Annual Exhibition of Fine Woodworking planning

Raffle Yes! Bring your bills, win a prize, and support the club.

Upcoming Events

February Meeting

Finishing your project – details to come.

Annual Exhibition

April 23th-26th, 42nd Annual Exhibition of Fine Woodworking – see the attached form for entry details.

2026 Dues

If you have not already paid your membership dues of \$30.00 for 2026, please do so ASAP. You can mail a check to:

MWWG
PO Box 321
Corvallis, OR 97339

Treasurer Brian Egan will have a Square reader at the January meeting if you would like to pay by credit or debit card. Alternatively, bring your check to the meeting.

Remember, your dues must be paid in full if you intend to include your wonderful work at our annual exhibition.

December Meeting Recap

Ten brave members of our woodworking community ventured out on a cold, stormy night, drawn together by the simple pleasure of shared craft and good company. For more than two hours, stories, ideas, and laughter were exchanged around a striking slab table, sequoia perhaps, its broad grain a quiet reminder of why we gather in the first place.

The scene felt just right, about half the group in their customary plaid, an antique hand plane resting on the table as both conversation piece and symbol of our craft, and a glass of red wine close at hand. It was one of those evenings that proves woodworking is as much about fellowship as it is about wood, warmth found not in the weather, but in the people.



Activity at MWWG.groups.io

To join and view the online forum for MWWG, you only need to email MWWG@groups.io. Alternately, you can type in MWWG.groups.io on your browser and ask to subscribe. You don't need to supply content, other than maybe a hello comment, or "I'd like to join". Doug Ullmer is the moderator, so he approves the first post, and then you can review messages. You'll then be a "subscriber" and can log into mwwg.groups.io to see all the topics and edit your profile settings, including how you get new messages. The choices include getting a summary every day, or every 12 messages, or not at all.

If you are a paid member of MWWG you will also be able to post to the group.

Guild Membership

Member Benefits

- Can present work at MWWG exhibitions such as our annual show, our exhibit at Footwise in Corvallis and any other MWWG sponsored show.
- Discounted entry fee to special speakers or workshops.
- Can attend our August picnic and December holiday party
- Post to our groups.io discussion forum.
- Attend our mini-workshops
- Receive special notices of items for sale such as wood, tools.

Guild membership is for a calendar year. Membership needs to be renewed in January. Membership for 2024 is \$30 for adults and \$20 for students aged 16 to 21. MWWG now accepts electronic payment via Square. See Brian Egan at our meetings. Dues are payable by check to the MWWG at PO Box 321, Corvallis 97339. Or bring a check to our next meeting. Please be sure to include a [Membership/Renewal Form](#). Note that we require the form every year even if you are a current member.

MWWG Board 2024—2025

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| Michael Toivonen (elect) | President |
| Vacant | Vice-president |
| Brian Egan | Treasurer |
| Doug Ullmer | Member at large |
| Vacant | Webmaster and publicity |
| Stan Hall | Member at large |
| Kevin Biebrich | Secretary |

MWWG Members – Calendar Year 2025 (pay your dues for 2026!)

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| Brent Baker | Rob Hess | Nick Parr |
| Del Banners | Kristopher Holland | Gary Radice |
| Kevin Bieberich | Gary Irwin | Connie Rodman |
| Peter Burke | Steve Iverson | Scott Seeley |
| Stephanie Clark | Stewart Janes | Josh Smith |
| Nick Clark | Mark Jost | Robert Smith |
| Kiko Denzer | Lam Kok-Meng | Eugene Stemmann |
| Katherine Edmonds | Ed Kreusser | Sam Stern |
| Brian Egan | David Leyva | John Tasto |
| Tim Emery | Mariana Mace | Michael Toivonen |
| Eddie Frothingham | Patrick McKinley | Doug Ullmer |
| Jim Good | Kurt Mottweiler | Kurt Wiedenmann |
| Stan Hall | Chava Neuhaus | Denise Young |
| Bill Hays | Neal Otto | Dan Youngberg |

Local Resources

Wood

Patrick Lumber

541-929-4717

33415 Noon Rd., Philomath

Cedar has been their specialty but now adding hardwoods, even large slabs.

The Hardwood Centre

<https://thehardwoodcentre.com/>

(541) 766-5904,

29855 Hwy 34 Albany, OR 97321

Big supporters of MWWG and nice folks. Hardwoods, birch plywood, some veneers, and locally milled lumber. Also a pick up site for Bam Carbide tooling and sharpening. They are happy to order what they don't have.

Crosscut Hardwoods - Eugene (Portland, Seattle)

<http://www.crosscuteugene.com/>

2344 W 7th Place, Eugene OR 97402

541-349-0538

If the Hardwood Centre doesn't have it these folks have a larger selection and stock.

MWWG members get a discount at the Eugene store so let them know you are one of us!

Northwest Timber

<https://nwtimber.com/>

3229 Jefferson-Scio Drive, Jefferson, OR 97352

541.327.1000, sales@nwtimber.com

Owner Lewis Judy is a longtime supporter of MWWG. If you are looking for highly figured woods from the Pacific Northwest for a special project, try here first.

Tree Products Hardwoods - Eugene

<https://treeproductshardwood.com/>

150 Seneca Rd, Eugene, OR 97402

(541) 689-8515

A good source for hardwood, veneered plywood and more.

Mike's Corvallis Bargain Center

33993 Texas St SW, Albany, OR 97321-9487

(541) 497-6171

Discount lumber, some hardwoods, occasional treasures and deals.

Goby Walnut and Western Hardwoods

<https://gobywalnut.com/>

503.477.6744, Aaron@gobywalnut.com

25420 S. Hwy 99E. Aurora, OR 97002

They have Oregon Black Walnut (Claro Walnut), Big Leaf Maple (Pacific Maple), Oregon White Oak, Madrone, Myrtle. Limited runs of Elm, English Walnut, Tan Oak, and other NW hardwood species.

Spaeth Lumber – Corvallis

www.spaethlumber.com

1585 NW 9th St., Corvallis, OR 97330

541-752-1930

Construction lumber oriented. But if you need table saw or jointer/shaper blades sharpened they will send them to Snooks Saw Service in Salem for you with a short turn-around.

Sustainable Northwest Wood

<https://www.snwwood.com/>

2701 SE 14th Ave., Portland, OR 97202

503.239.9663, info@snwwood.com

In Portland. Recycled and FSC certified construction lumber, and PNW hardwoods including hard to find woods like tan oak, madrone, and myrtle. Their focus is on local and sustainable supply.

Tooling, Saw and Blade Sharpening

Snooks Saw Service

<https://www.snookssaw.com/>

1455 Oak St. SE, Salem, Oregon 97301

503-581-2570, sales@snooks-saw.com

You can drive to Salem, or you can drop off your tooling at Spaeth Lumber in Corvallis and Snooks will pick up and deliver it back to Spaeth.

D and M Saw and Manufacturing

3951 E Commercial Way SE, Albany, OR 97322

541-928-6463

Saw blade sharpening.

Bam Carbide

1345 Rural Ave. SE, Salem 97302

503-362-8587

Located in Salem but with pickup at The Hardwood Centre in Albany. Router bits, saw blades and other carbide woodworking tooling as well as authorized dealer for Whiteside & others (call Joe for monthly sale items) and full sharpening service.

Miscellaneous

Heritage Natural Finishes, and Summer Beam Books

<https://heritagenaturalfinishes.com>, <https://www.summerbeambooks.com>

1337 Main Street, Philomath

info@heritagenaturalfinishes.com, 541-844-8748, summerbeambooks@gmail.com,
877-272-1987

Natural wood finishes. And woodworking books! In one place! Non-toxic wood finishes, pigments, and oils and other wood finishing goodies. And an absolutely incredible offering of books about wood working, construction, and more.

Highland Woodshop

<https://www.highlandwoodshopcorvallis.com>

1930 NW McDougal Dr, Corvallis, OR 97330

highlandwoodshop@gmail.com, 541-315-4737

Woodworking maker space, woodworking classes and instruction. Don't have a shop set up? Looking to get started in woodworking? Need some friendly and encouraging instruction? Here is the place for you, right here in Corvallis.

Previous Meetings and Events

2025

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| January 20 | Meeting planning and Kurt's tips on crafting wood and metal together |
| February 22 | Visit to Scott Seelye's shop, Outdoor Ukeleles. |
| March 17 | Mortises at Stan Hall's shop |
| April 27 | Annual Exhibition at the Corvallis Benton County Public Library |
| May 18 | Tour of Bamboo Valley |
| June 7 | Clark's workshop for a tour and presentation |
| July 21 | Tools, jigs, and techniques – Member show and tell |
| August | Moxon type vice using a thread box and tap |
| September | Nick Clark on his journey through the craft of woodworking |
| October | Woodturning with Gary, Sam, and Michael |
| November | New projects, tools, and jig roundtable |
| December | Annual Holiday Party – Biere Library |

2024

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| January 22 | New member welcome |
| February 19 | Tanya Laird. Do changes in moisture content degrade mass timber constructions? |
| March 25 | Book Night at Summer Beam Books in Philomath |
| April 24 | Annual Exhibition at the Corvallis Benton County Public Library |
| May 21 | Visit to the carving studio at the Albany Carousel and Museum |
| June 14 | Bring a work in progress to discuss, Consumers Power community room. |
| July 14 | Green woodworking and a pizza party with Kiko Denzer |
| August 17 | Visit to Michael Toivonen's shop |
| September 30 | Kurt Mottweiler: shop made wood eyeglass frames |
| October 18 | Kevin Biebrich: staining white oak for an antique finish |
| November 18 | Member Show and Tell |
| December 8 | Happy Hour at Biére Library, Corvallis |

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| January 16 | Japanese saws with Michael Toivonen and Gary Radice; carving with Kurt Mottweiler. |
| February 20 | Coloring wood with Brian Egan, Doug Ullmer, and Stan Hall. |

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| March 20 | Tour of Crescent Valley High School Shop, led by Adam Kirsch |
| April 17 | Marquetry with Katherine Edmonds, veneer flattening with Del Banners |
| May 20 | Japanese timber frame joinery and shop tour with Gary Radice |
| June 19 | Visit and tour of Thormahlen Harps, Corvallis |
| July 17 | Sharpening hand tools. Stan Hall's shop |
| August 26 | Vintage Western and Japanese hand tools with Michael Toivonen |
| September 18 | Tour of Patrick Lumber, Philomath OR. |
| October 19 | Building a Ming table with Gary Radice. |
| November 10-11 | Presentation and workshop with Yuri Kobayashi |
| December | No meeting |

2022

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| January 17, 2022 | Zoom: Birdhouse Project; Stan Hall's Shop by Brian Egan and Stan Hall |
| February 21 | Zoom: Maloof-Style Rocker-Curves by Ed Kreusser |
| March 21 | Zoom: Planning for Post-Pandemic |
| April 18 | Zoom: Woodworking Photography by Jon Meyers |
| May 25 | Highland Woodshop by Ashley Merback |
| June 20 | Wood Castle Tour by Ron Loe |
| August 15 | Picnic at the Walnut Barn at MLK Park |
| September 19 | Oliver Pijoan, luthier, hosted by Highland Woodshop |
| October 14-16 | Exhibition of Fine Woodworking at Corvallis Library |
| November 7 | Tour of Emmerson Lab at OSU |
| December 20 | Holiday party at Corvallis Arts Center (Cancelled) |

2021

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| January 18, 2021 | Zoom: Brian Egan, Microshelters; Gary Radice, Drawer Slips |
| February 15 | Zoom: Rocking Chairs by Kevin Bieberich and Doug Ullmer |
| March 15 | Zoom: Heritage Natural Finishes and Timber Framing by Autumn Peterson |
| April 19 | Zoom: Bleaching and Ebonizing Wood by Kevin Bieberich |
| May 17 | Zoom: Inset Drawers by Gary Radice |
| June | No meeting, COVID scheduling difficulties |
| July | Zena Forest Products Tour, arranged by Gary Radice |
| August | No-host happy hour and dinner at Common Fields, arranged by Kevin Bieberich |

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| September | Pandemic Projects Exhibition via Zoom |
| October 18 | Zoom: Projects—2 Bills and a Tim |
| November 22 | Zoom: Projects—Kiko and Kurt |
| December | No meeting, no party due to COVID-19 |

2020

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| January 20 | Restoring/Hot-Rodding Woodies, Marty Behrens |
| February | Tallwood Institute tour |
| March | Meeting cancelled due to COVID-19 |
| April | Show cancelled due to COVID-19 |
| May | No meeting due to COVID-19 |
| June 15 | Zoom: Projects by Bob Smith, Gary Radice and Brent Baker |
| July 20 | Zoom: Projects by Brent Baker, Gene Stemmann and Brian Egan |
| August | Picnic cancelled due to COVID-19 |
| September 21 | Zoom: Kiko Denzer: Working with hatchets and drawknives |
| October 19 | Zoom: Rose Holdorf: Folk School |
| November 16 | Zoom: Doug Ullmer 20 Desks Challenge |
| December 21 | Zoom: Doug Ullmer 20 Desks Challenge Update; Holiday Gifts |
| December | Holiday party cancelled due to COVID-19 |

2019

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| January 21 | Tommy's Paint Pot – Finishing Products for Woodworkers |
| February 19 | Finishing 2 – Members Share Their Expertise |
| March 18 | Works in Progress |
| April 25-28 | 36th Annual MWWG Exhibition of Fine Woodworking |
| May 20 | Lessons Learned |
| June 17 | Working with Difficult Wood |
| July 15 | Board and Members Planning Session |
| August 19 | Annual Picnic, Under Kent Stockwell's Big Tree |
| September 10 | Hull-Oakes Sawmill Tour, Lunch at Long Timber Brewing |
| October 21 | Shop Safety |
| November 18 | French Miter Jack Reproduction, Gary Radice |
| December 13 | Holiday Party at the Arts Center |

2018

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| January 15, 2018 | Story Sticks, Dean Stephens |
| February 1 - 28 | Footwise Window Display |
| February 19 | Successful Glue-Ups, Bill and Joanne Storch |

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| March 19 | YouTube and Woodworking, Lin Orvar |
| April 13 – 14 | Garrett Hack Presentation and Workshop |
| April 18 - 22 | 35th Annual MWWG Exhibition of Fine Woodworking |
| May 21 | Tool Restoration, Gary Radice |
| June 16 (Saturday), 3 PM | Gray's Furniture Repair, Albany Field Trip |
| July 16 | Vacuum Technology for Woodworking, Doug Ullmer |
| August 20 | Annual Picnic, Under Kent Stockwell's Big Tree |
| September 17 | Some Methods for Sharpening Tools |
| October 15 | Selecting the Right Wood for a Project |
| November 19 | Turning by Donna & Ed Kreusser, Brent Baker |
| December 10 | Holiday Party Potluck and Wooden Chisel Exchange at the Arts Center |

2017

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| January 16 | Coopering by Katherine Edmonds |
| February 20 | Building Guitars by Kim Johansen |
| March 2 – April 4 | Footwise Window Display |
| March 20 | Jigs and Fixtures |
| April 26-30 | 34th Annual MWWG Exhibition of Fine Woodworking |
| May 15 | Making Clocks by Stan Hall |
| June 16 | Michael C. Fortune Presentation |
| June 17 | Michael C. Fortune Workshop |
| July 17 | Photography for Woodworkers by Lou Nunnelly |
| August 19 | Annual Picnic |
| September 18 | Boxes by John Mikkelsen |
| October 16 | Installing Hinges by John Mikkelsen |
| November 20 | Inlay Techniques by Gary Radice, Doug Ullmer, Jim Good |
| December 11 | Holiday Party Potluck and Wooden Screwdriver Exchange |

2016

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| January 18 | Collecting and Restoring Tools, by Bob Malouf |
| February 15 | Finishing Figured Woods by Kim Johansen |
| March 19 | Albany Carousel, arranged by Stan Hall |
| April 21 – 24 | Annual Exhibition |
| May 16 | Philomath High School Shop, by Scott Ballard |
| June 29 | Working with Slabs by Justin McMinds and John Mikkelsen, Part 1 |
| July 18 | Working with Slabs, Part 2 |
| August 15 Picnic | Annual picnic, hosted by Kent Stockwell under "The Big Tree" |

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| September 26 | Fundamentals of Design by Andrew Nigon |
| October 17 | Refining Furniture Designs |
| November 21 | (1) Members' proposed Guild Show Project Designs (2) Machine-assisted Joinery |
| December 12 Party | Holiday Party Potluck and Wooden Router Bit Exchange |

2015

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| January 19, 2015 | Hand Sawing (Kim Johansen) and High End Jewelry Boxes (Bill Bolstad) |
| February 16 | Crescent Valley High School Wood Shop Tour—Kent Stockwell |
| March 25-29 | Annual Exhibition |
| April 20 | Speaker didn't show up. Impromptu discussion followed. |
| May 18 | Jim Bergeron, Master Northwest Indian Woodcarver; Jim Good |
| June 15 | Bolstad Workshop Tour, Talbot, OR |
| July 20 | Waterborne Spray Finishes, John Mikkelsen, OSU |
| August 17 | Picnic under the Big Tree, Kent Stockwell |
| September 21 | Tour of Northwest Timber |
| October 19 | Steam Bending Wood, Bill Storch |
| November 16 | Bandsaw Tuning and Use, by Bill Bolstad and Jim Good |
| December | Holiday Party at the OSU Forestry Cabin |

2014

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| January | Maloof-Style Chair, Kim Johansen |
| February | Laminated Chairs, Gene Stemmann |
| March 4-17 | Footwise Window Exhibition |
| March | Chair building DVD's, Stan Hall |
| April 23 – 26 | Annual Exhibition |
| May 19 | Drawers, kick-off. |
| June 16 | Jigs for Drawers—John Mikkelsen, host |
| July 21 | Tour of Wood Castle Production Facility—Brent Baker |
| August 18 | Annual Picnic at The Big Tree—Kent Stockwell |
| September 15 | Drawer Joinery—OSU, John Mikkelsen, host |
| October | MWWG shares a window at Footwise with Lumber Legacy—Kirk Newburgh |
| October 20 | Drawers—Videos and Discussion |
| November 17 | Drawers—Chest of Drawers and Hand Dovetailing |
| December | Annual Holiday Party |

2013

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| January | Spalting of Wood by Dr. Seri Robinson |
| February | Coloring Wood |
| February 28 – March 27 | Footwise Window Exhibit |
| March | Finishing the Finish |
| April 24 – 27 | Annual Exhibition |
| May | Chair Design by Pat Megowan |
| June | Zena Forest Products Tour |
| July | Fire Extinguishers—Theory and Practice |
| August | Picnic |
| September | Selection and Layout of Materials for a Chair |
| October | Joinery and Assembly for Chairs |
| November | Tools, Jigs & Fixtures, also, Chair Discussion |
| December | Annual Holiday Party |