



**Honolulu Woodturners
A Chapter of the
American Association of Woodturners**

November 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes

President's Report:



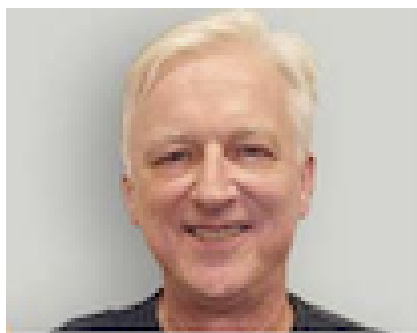
President Tim Freeman brought the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He announced that the meeting was being recorded and would be available for viewing on YouTube.

Tim welcomed guest Roy Hughes.

Dues for 2023 can now be paid. Tim asked members to click on the "Applications" link on our website <https://honoluluwoodturners.org/> to fill out and print the form. Mail it to our Treasurer Andy Cole.

President Tim Freeman

Election of club officers was conducted. Congratulations to our officers for 2023:



President Rob Faris



Vice President Warren Naai

Treasurer: Andy Cole

Secretary: Kevin Lui

Bylaws Amendment:

To allow our club to vary our regular meeting schedule if necessary, the membership voted to amend Article VI of our bylaws to read as follows (the language adopted is underlined): "This Chapter will meet the second Tuesday of odd-numbered months or at alternative times, with the time and location determined by the Board of Directors and announced in a newsletter or by email or direct mail."

Treasurer's Report:

Andy Cole reported the account balance was \$11,769.38. In 2022 revenues were reduced because dues were waived for the year. In spite of that Tim Freeman pointed out that our club still gave roughly \$4000 back to members in the form of meeting prizes and other benefits.

Evening's Demonstration:

Tim Freeman made a detailed presentation on how to make an ikebana vase for the traditional Japanese art of flower arranging. The vase incorporates a frog (a spiked and weighted base) to hold the arrangement in place. There are many traditional design elements for the vase. Tim said an important functional element is that the vase is stout enough to support foliage height that is 3 ½ times the width of the vase. Please click on the link below for a Youtube video of the meeting. Give it a try!



<https://youtu.be/S8pm5JID-Oc>

The Challenge:

The challenge for November was to design a piece with the addition of at least one color. It must also fit within a 10" cube. The Challenge is composed of Gold and Silver divisions. Division qualification is simply that the Gold Division is for turners who have two previous First Place Silver Division wins. The division a turner decides to enter their piece in is left to the honor of the member.

Prizes are awarded to the three entries receiving the most votes in both divisions. Prizes are Woodcraft gift cards worth \$25 for first place, \$20 for second place, and \$15 for third place.

Challenge~Gold Division

First Place
Second Place
Third Place

Luther Bjornson
Rob Hale
Kevin Lui

Globe in Cube
Painted Mahogany Platter
Pyrographed Cuban Mahogany



Luther



Rob



Kevin

Challenge~Silver Division

First Place

John Berthiaume

Koa bowl with resin inlay



John

Honorable Mention for Both Divisions:

Eric LeBuse
Robert Duffer
Tim Freeman

Monkeypod and surinam cherry ornament
M vases, guava wood
Mango burl with acrylic

Willy Ridep
Warren Naai
Craig Mason

Olive wood bracelet with acrylic paint
Molinillo (hot chocolate whisk)
Lychee finial with gold foiled makau

Selected Challenge Pieces, Both Divisions:



Instant Gallery:

The Instant Gallery invites turners to share any of their creations with the club. It's open to any member.

Tim Freeman
Kevin Lui
Chris Rollins
Luther Bjornsen
Andy Cole
Albert Koorenhof
Bruce Soll
Harry Purba
Warren Naai
Craig Mason

Mango burl with acrylic
Footed milo vessel
White ash bat (guaranteed HR!)
"Space Platter"
Nested avocado set
Cook island pine calabash
Cuban mahogany platter
Koa box
Pink tecoma molinillo
Lychee hollow form

Selected Instant Gallery Pieces:





Participation Prize:

The Participation Prize was a \$30 Woodcraft gift card. Members attending the meeting in person or by Zoom were eligible for the drawing. The winner was our outgoing president Tim Freeman. Congratulations and job well done during your term!



Tech Talk:

This was a must see segment!

Rob Faris started the session with a discussion on how he made his own remote on/off switch for his Powermatic lathe for considerably less money than the one from Powermatic.

Rob Faris also read Jon Ogata's email describing how his $\frac{1}{8}$ " parting tool shattered while turning Formosan koa with extensive radial cracks. Jon escaped with a puncture wound to his palm and knuckle abrasions. When you look at the photo of his parting tool you can see where his injuries could have been much worse!

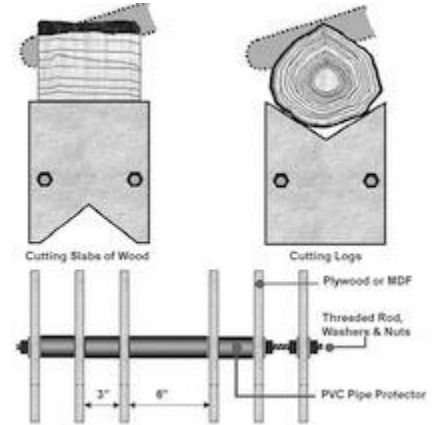


Rob Hale brought a cracked monkey pod bowl that he repaired with pewa patches. Upon refinishing it he noted that the finish he applied dried very unevenly. Rob learned this was due to a paraffin finish that was originally painted onto the bowl. It must be removed entirely before applying the new finish.

Chris Rollins described his experience with silica beads to rapidly eliminate moisture from his rough turned bowl. After eight days his bowl went from 38% moisture content to 15%. Minimal warpage was noted. The beads can be purchased online and are reusable. Just heat the beads in the oven to restore them.

Bruce Soll asked for pictures or images on how to secure logs while chainsawing. Dean Mailheau offered advice. Tom Young subsequently emailed a chainsaw jig diagram:

This was an exceedingly lively and informative session. A great sharing of ideas on how we can further enjoy our craft!



Your Challenge for the Next Meeting:

Ikebana vases run a broad gamut of materials and designs. Rob Hale challenged members to be creative and show us your wooden interpretation of an ikebana vase. Your piece must be no more than 10" in diameter. Accept the challenge!

A Request From Our Incoming President

A key component of every meeting is a demonstration of something related to woodturning. Rob Faris encouraged members to share skills or concepts they've developed by volunteering to do a demonstration. Rob is most willing to help make your presentation successful and enjoyable. One option is for him to narrate while you do the physical part of the demo. Think your demo will be too brief? Rob can combine your presentation with another member's. Share your knowledge and have fun doing it!

Mahalos:

Dougie Bowers brought in a load of kou wood that was quickly snapped up. Thank you Dougie!

Willy Ridep also brought a truckload of wood to share. The club is also very grateful for Willy's donation of a camcorder to augment our AV capabilities. Many thanks!

Thank you to outgoing president Tim Freeman! He capably guided our club through the pandemic era and the return to in-person events!

Lastly, thank you to Albert Koorenhof and Willy Ridep for volunteering to take Challenge and Instant Gallery entry photos.



Willy and Kraig Smith

Next meeting: January 10, 2023, 6:00PM. Please join us!

Submitted by Kevin Lui, Secretary