

CAPITOL WOODCARVERS

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President's Message

Hello Capitol Woodcarvers,

Two weeks ago, the view from this seat was white and bitterly cold. Today, what was covered in snow is now home to green bulbs pushing their way towards the sky. The daffodils seem to be telling us not to worry, and that spring will be here very soon. As a Capitol Woodcarver this is especially exciting as spring means the arrival of our annual show. A wonderful time to be a woodcarver!

If you missed the meeting last week, you missed a very important announcement. On behalf of the club's featured carvers, Don Fromherz announced that the 2024 Featured Carver would be Denis Miller! Knowing Denis and how much he brings to this carving community; I couldn't be happier with the decision. To see a table filled with his art and an opportunity to celebrate Denis Miller is just one more reason to get excited about the show. I can't wait!

There is a long list of reasons to appreciate Denis. Add to the list that he is also the Chair of our Annual Show Planning Committee. Show planning is underway, but I know that more help is required to ensure another successful event. If you would like to help, please reach out to Denis and let him know. I'm sure that he would love to hear from you.

Are you planning to have a table at the show? What are you going to share? I hope that there are lots of chips being made and patterns being burned. After all, maybe we will inspire someone to start carving. Maybe we'll attract some new members? Maybe new friendships will blossom? You might win a big prize in the raffle? There's so much to get excited about and I'm glad that you're going to be a part of it!

Happy carving everyone,

Terry

2024 Featured Carver

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It is Capitol Woodcarvers privilege and distinct pleasure to honor Denis Miller as our Featured Carver for 2024. Denis is an accomplished and recognized carver, and valued member of Capitol Woodcarvers.

Denis is a past club president, and he continues to volunteer in support of our club.

Denis is this year's Show Committee Chair. He also volunteers his time and effort

supporting "Empty Bowls", a charitable event where carved spoons are donated by our members to help those in need.

Denis is also a dedicated volunteer at the Salem Carousel where he has carved or participated in carving many animals. This work is appreciated by the community, and it is a pleasure to see visiting children's faces light up when they see the carvings created by Denis and other volunteers.

We are looking forward to seeing Denis at the Annual Capitol Woodcarvers Show April 6/7 at Center 50+. The variety of Denis' carvings is a wonder. His spoons, wildlife, caricature, and other carvings are exceptional quality. Denis will be happy to share his techniques with visitors to his display at the show.



Denis values his membership in Capitol Woodcarvers which is made up of so many talented artists. The club provides fellowship, a way to share skills, ideas, and as the club mission states, a means to..." Preserve the art of woodcarving and encourage and stimulate new carvers."

Congratulations Denis.

Club Presentation

Jim Boatner Presentation



The January club meeting included a great presentation by Jim Boatner. Jim showed us how to leather-wrap walking sticks to make them more attractive and usable.

Jim gets discarded leather jackets then cuts strips of leather that he intricately wraps onto his sticks. The interlaced results certainly add beauty and practicality to his carved walking sticks.

Jim is planning on

conducting a class at the Oregon Carvers Rendezvous this year. If you want to improve your walking sticks, this class is for you.

If you know of anyone willing to give a presentation at a club meeting, please contact a board member.

Lunch Schedule

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Lunch is at 11:30 each Friday. Please join us.

Bring a show and tell item to share at lunch then join us at Center50+ for Friday afternoon Open Carving.

2/2/2024	The Yard (food trucks), 4106 State St, Salem
2/9/2024	Olive Garden, 1302 Lancaster Dr. NE, Salem
2/16/2024	Garibaldi's (Mexican), 1151 Lancaster Dr. NE, Salem
2/23/2024	Lum Yuen, 3190 Portland Rd. NE, Salem
3/1/2024	Best Little Roadhouse, 1145 Commercial St SE, Salem

Friday afternoons are great for socializing, sharing, and carving. Everyone is working on their own creations and catching up on carving related news.

If you have a suggestion for another lunch location please join us at lunch and let us know what you suggest.

Carving Classes

Caricature Carving Classes



Terry Moss, our Club President, and recognized caricature carver, has scheduled several upcoming classes.

He has only one spot left for the February 17-18 class to be held at his house in Turner. There are also spaces available in his March 9-10 class at Rockaway Beach and in the March 16-17 class in Beaverton.

Students will be able

to choose either the leprechaun or bunny.

Terry can be reached at tbmoss@msn.com for all the details and class registration.

2024 Club Show

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As in previous years, this will be a great show. There will be opportunity to mingle with and view the creations of other carvers. A highlight every year is talking with the public who always are awed at what carvers can produce.

Please join us for the fun and comradery.

Registration form is available at:

https://capitolwoodcarvers.org/documents/Registration 2024.pdf

Open Carving Sessions

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Join us for open carving.

Monday Mornings: Everett Koontz Studio

Friday Afternoons: Center 50+

1st/3rd Thursday Mornings: KAA

These are all great sessions where carvers share, learn, and help each other. If you need assistance with something you are working on, or if you just enjoy carving with others, try one of

these sessions. We look forward to seeing you.

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