

Welcome!

We'll begin at 5pm ET.



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2025 AAW Member Meeting

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Agenda

- Welcome & Introduction of Board
- Introduction of Staff
- State of AAW – Financial Position, Membership and Program Highlights
- 2026 Planning
- Questions from Members



2025 AAW Board of Directors



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2025 New Board Leadership



Keith Baizer
2025 - 2027 Board Member

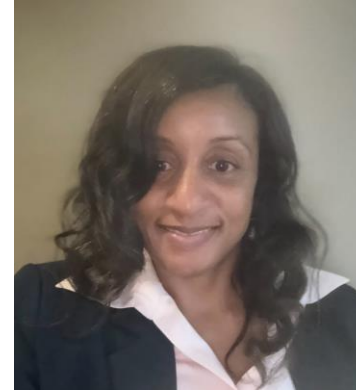
AAW Staff and Partners



Gretchen Wilbrandt
Executive Director



Glenn Hansen
Marketing & Communications
Director



Tamecka Johnson
Finance & Operations
Director



Tib Shaw
Curator & Arts Administrator



Sarah Marriage
Managing Editor
American Woodturner



Melissa McGrath
Events Manager



Don McIvor
Editor
Woodturning Fundamentals



Robyn Priestley
Administrative Assitant

Staffing Transitions



Thank you, Josh



Josh Friend, Managing Editor, is retiring December 31 after 12 years with AAW.

Tib Shaw, Curator, is celebrating 20 years with the AAW.

Melissa McGrath started as Event Manager in November 2024.

Robyn Priestly started as Administrative Assistant in January 2025.

Gretchen Wilbrandt started as Executive Director in May 2025.

Sarah Marriage started as Incoming Editor in September 2025.

Tamecka Johnson, started as Finance & Operations Director in October 2025.

Glenn Hansen, started as Marketing & Communications Director in November 2025.

State of AAW

Financials

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2024 Financials

2024 Audited Financials were published in August 2025 issue of American Woodturner (vol 40, no 4)

SUPPORT AND REVENUES

Membership Dues.....	\$792,644
Symposium	\$764,562
Publications and Products...	\$254,255
Contributions.....	\$112,343
Other	\$26,771
Investment Income	\$169,773

**Total Support
and Revenues..... \$2,120,348**

EXPENSES

Program Services:

Symposium	\$589,921
Publications and Products....	\$493,768
Gallery and Exhibition.....	\$65,218
Scholarships	\$17,500
Professional Outreach Program...	\$47,003
Other Programs	\$116,105

**Total Program
Services..... \$1,329,515**

Support Services:

Management and General ...	\$407,763
Member Development.....	\$256,828

Total Support Services...\$664,591

Total Expenses.....	\$1,994,106
Change in Net Assets	\$126,242
Net Assets, Beginning of Year, as Restated.....	\$1,699,257
NET ASSETS, End of Year....	\$1,825,499

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash.....	\$444,056
Accounts Receivable.....	\$100,575
Inventories	\$34,071
Prepaid Expenses	\$104,342

Total Current Assets.....\$683,044

Investments \$1,449,920

Art Collection:

Kaplan Art Collection	\$235,000
AAW Collection	\$213,690

Total Art Collection \$448,690

Property and Equipment:

Computer Software/Website ...	\$79,999
Furniture and Equipment	\$202,855
Less Accumulated Depreciation	-281,719
Net Property and Equipment ...	\$1,135
Total Assets.....	\$2,582,789

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	\$80,324
Accrued Expenses	\$62,996
Deferred Revenue - Membership Dues.....	\$399,574

Deferred Revenue - Symposium	\$78,084
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Total Current Liabilities.. \$620,978

**Deferred Revenue -
Membership Dues** \$136,312

Net Assets:

Net Assets without Donor Restrictions.....	\$1,347,156
Net Assets with Donor Restrictions.....	\$478,343

Total Net Assets \$1,825,499

**Total Liabilities
and Net Assets** \$2,582,789

2025 Finances

- 2025 current state of financials
- Changes for 2026
- Future of AAW Finances

State of AAW

Membership & Program Highlights

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2025 Membership

- 12,100 active members currently
- 363 Chapters
- 884 International Members
- 11,216 Members in the United States
- 93% receive American Woodturner in print
- 8% have a Family membership
- 981 new members
- 1,142 lapsed members





Highlights from 2025 Symposium

39th Annual International Symposium, Saint Paul, MN

1,021 registered attendees plus vendors, and close to 1,400 public guests

780 registered for Online access

Thank you to the Minnesota Woodturners Association, and local chapters for coordinating key local efforts. More than 100 turners stepped up to volunteer!

Thank you to vendors, demonstrators and auction donors!

You Told Us

This was one of the best-organized events I've ever attended and I've regularly attended conferences for 30 years. What a great job! My compliments to all the organizers, volunteers, demonstrators, and vendors!

This was my first Symposium and I found it to be well-organized and well run. I am looking forward to next year's Symposium and may consider some regional gatherings.

The selection of demos and the demonstrators was top notch.



**Registration Open for 2026
soon!**

40th Annual International Symposium

Raleigh, NC

June 4-7, 2026

Thanks to North Carolina Local Leads Ted Ross and Fred Burke, the Woodturners Guild of North Carolina, and the regional clubs supporting the planning efforts.

We are excited to celebrate the AAW's 40th anniversary with some special surprises at the symposium. We look forward to making more memories with you in Raleigh!

2026 POP Merit Award

Jean-Francois Escoulen



2026 POP Artist Showcase Award

Janine Wang



Matthew Shewchuk



Grants

- Educational Opportunity Grant (EOG) Financial Grants
- Educational Opportunity Grant (EOG) Lathe & Equipment Grants
- Symposium Grants
- Professional Outreach Program (POP) Fellowship Grants
- WIT Women/Other Underrepresented Populations Events & Exhibitions Grant
- WIT Membership Grants for Women
- Membership Grants for Accredited Teachers

Additional grant/funding information at www.woodturners.org -- Resources – Grants/Scholarship



Grants

Thank you to **Al Miotke** for his leadership of the Grants Committee as well as the additional members that serve on that committee.

- 2024: \$24,158 granted to Chapters, Schools and Individuals for turning education, outreach, and equipment
- 2025: \$6,522 awarded in the first half of the year, \$15,478 left to grant in the second half!
 - **DECEMBER 31, 2025 Deadline**
- Early 2026: Special one-time granting cycle through through Maxwell Hanrahan Foundation: equipment, tools, and supplies for individual artists. More information to come.

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Gallery of Wood Art

December 2025: Dimensions of Nature

August 2025: Beginnings: AAW Member Exhibition

May 2025: Michael Hosaluk, 2025 POP Merit Award Artist

March 2025: Open | Closed, POP Exhibition

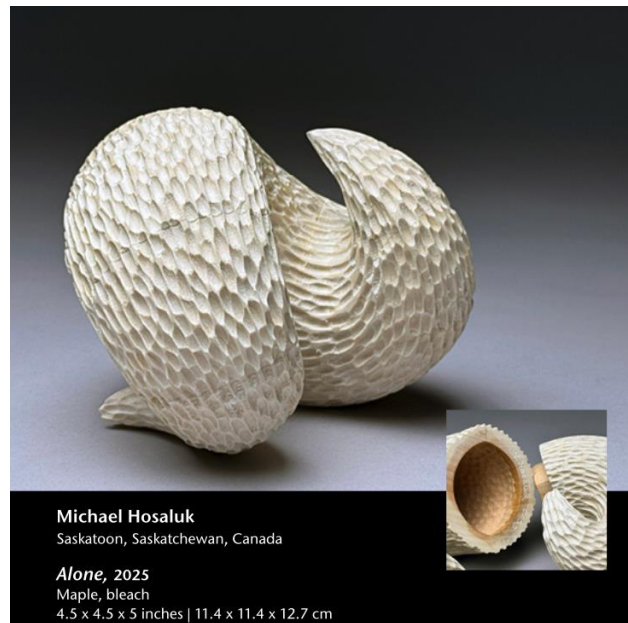
January 2025: Art from the Lathe, Selections from the AAW Permanent Collection



Rex Kalehoff
Kehlen, Capellen, Luxembourg
Grazer, 2025
Fumed oak, sapele
6 x 5.75 x 4 inches | 15.2 x 14.6 x 10.2 cm



Dixie Biggs
Gainesville, Florida
Hinging on Leaves, 2025
Cherry, milo, watercolor, colored pencil
5.75 x 4.1 x 2.5 inches | 14.6 x 10.5 x 6.4 cm



Michael Hosaluk
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
Alone, 2025
Maple, bleach
4.5 x 4.5 x 5 inches | 11.4 x 11.4 x 12.7 cm



Rebecca DeGroot
Spring, Texas
Embrace, 2025
Walnut, maple, wire,
resin, acrylic paint,
flocking powder
6 x 3 x 3 inches
15.24 x 7.6 x 7.6 cm

AAW 40th Anniversary

Honoring Our Past, Turning Towards the Future

Early Phases of Planning for the 40th Anniversary

- Early 2026: Additional one-time grants for individual for equipment through the Maxwell Hanrahan Foundation
- Early 2026: Online "Meet & Greet" panel with the staff
- June 2026: Surprises & delights at the AAW International Symposium in Raleigh, NC
- Late 2026: 40th Anniversary Edition *American Woodturner*
- Ongoing: Historical "throwback" articles in weekly newsletters
- Ongoing: Exploring more opportunities for membership engagement with each other and the AAW for special 40th connections
- Ongoing: Investing in the AAW – Examining programs and necessary support to sustain and grow impact in the woodturning community across generations and woodturning journeys

But this all takes additional financial support to build the path for the future



Looking Ahead

2026 Planning

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Questions & Answers

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Thank you for participating
and being part of the AAW
community.

If you have additional questions,
please reach out to Gretchen
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