

WILLAMETTE VALLEY WOODTURNERS

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

and complete **ALL** of the requested information. Thank you!

Full Name _____ (required)

Other family member(s) name on a name tag (if needed) _____ (optional)

All fields must be filled in. If the field does not pertain to your application, mark with N/A.

Spouse's Name _____ (optional)

Mailing Address _____ (required)

City _____ (required) State _____ (required) Zip _____ (required)

Home Phone (____) _____ (required) Cell Phone (____) _____ (required)

E-mail Address _____ @ _____ (required)

Are you a member of the AAW - American Association of Woodturners? Yes ☐ No ☐ (required)

Year of Birth (new member only) _____ (required)

1. How long have you been woodturning? _____ Year(s). How often do you turn? _____

2. What kinds of projects have you turned most often in the past year? _____

3. Please list any topics of special interest which you would want the club to include in a program in the coming year(s). Include any presenters or special field trips that you would recommend. (Use the back of this form if necessary.) _____

4. I would like to arrange to have a mentor work with me on (be specific) _____

The information you provide on this application will be used only for purposes of organizing the club, publishing the club directory, sending out the monthly newsletter, and notifying you of meetings and other planned events. The information will not be furnished to any other organization without your prior expressed permission, and then only to enable you to get club discounts at turning equipment and supply stores.

Please return this completed form along with your annual or pro-rated dues of **\$35.00*** to:

Jeff Wimer
WVW Membership Director
305 Cherry Ln. NE
Albany, OR. 97321

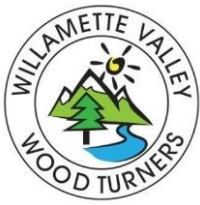
Please make checks payable to "**Willamette Valley Woodturners**" or just "**wvw**"

***Discounted new member dues** when received

April – June = \$25.00; July – Sept = \$15.00; Oct – Dec = \$5.00

Received by treasurer _____

Received by Membership Director _____



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General Safety Recommendations for All Turners

Parental Woodturning Informed Consent

Working on a woodturning lathe has an uncountable number of benefits including developing fine motor skills, skills of concentration, problem solving, as well as the resulting beautiful and useful products created. However, as with any tool, there are risks involved. This list is intended as a **starting place** to help guide you in keeping you and yours safe in learning and participating in woodturning.

For Parents

- **Supervision**

Until safe habits are well established, be a participating presence. Speak up and have conversations on how to be safe while working with the lathe. As safe habits become second-nature, young turners can earn more autonomy. Help them understand the most important tool is their **brain**. The Willamette Valley Woodturners is here to help you, and to answer any questions you might have. Please: if you're not certain something is safe, stop and ask us.

For All Turners

- **Develop Safe Habits**

- a. **Dress correctly:**

- i. Face shield and safety glasses every time a lathe is used
 - ii. Dust mask (or mitigation systems e.g. air filter or dust collection system)
 - iii. No clothing that can catch (loose sleeves, shirts, hoodie ties, etc.)
 - iv. No decorative items that can catch (loose watches, necklaces, bracelets, etc.)
 - v. Long hair tied up and well away from machine
 - vi. No gloves

- b. **Check machine and environment:**

- i. Lathe is in good working order (no frayed cords, well balanced, anchored to a solid surface, etc.)
 - ii. No tripping hazards, including excessive shavings from the lathe underfoot.
 - iii. Tools and supplies are placed so they won't fall or interfere with lathe rotation.
 - iv. Tools are sharp and in good condition (sharp tools are safer as they don't require as much force to use leading to unbalanced conditions).

- c. **Tool use and Start up:**

- i. **Verify** wood is securely mounted on machine (tight between centers, well mounted with heavy-duty screws on faceplate, correctly secured in chuck, etc.)
 - ii. **Check** tool rest is in correct position (height correct, wood rotated by hand to check for clearance, etc.)
 - iii. **Stand** in Safe position for start-up (tools and hands away from tool rest and wood; stand out of "danger zone" area where turner could get hit if wood comes off lathe, etc.)
 - iv. Lathe **speed**: if first start up after repositioning workpiece, lathe speed is at lowest setting.
 - v. Establish the "**ABC**'s"-**A**nchor (tool solidly on tool rest); **B**evel (learn to use the bevel to cut safely); **C**ut (learn how to cut using the various gouges)
 - vi. Repeatedly **recheck** conditions (wood security, tight tailstock/chuck/banjo/tool rest, tool sharpness, environment, etc.)

Refinement of technique is part of the joy of woodturning but can only be done if **solid, safe practices** are established. Dangerous habits can result in severe injury and will most likely lead to the end of the pursuit of the hobby and all its benefits.

Parental approval is required for all new member applicants under 18 years of age. Your signature below affirms that you have read this document, and that you accept the possible risks associated with woodturning for your young turner.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Date