



ETWG Newsletter

November-December 2021

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Additionally, we will be broadcasting the meeting on Zoom for anyone who cannot attend in person.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89396813890?pwd=eEtuWGx4MHI0VDIHWGtuOVRNSkl0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 893 9681 3890

Passcode: 075973

President's message

1-January-202

Hello, I hope everyone has had a Merry Christmas and gotten some time in the shop. I've been continuing to adapt to a new shop and getting everything in working order. I even made some time to turn a few wine stoppers as Christmas gifts. I enjoy the holidays as a time to regroup and take a few days off. In the shop, that means cleaning and putting away things that have gotten out of hand. It's also a great time to sharpen tools that should have been sharpened months ago.

Beginning with the January we are going start back to in person meetings at the Maryville High School Shop. The Meeting will be on January 10th at 6:30pm.

I'll be doing the program on a brush making class I took last year with Aspen Golan. It was a virtual class over a few days, but I really enjoyed the experience and learned a few things. I got a scholarship from the guild to pay for the class, and in return I'm doing a program on what I learned. There are more scholarships available now, so I'd encourage you to look around at the craft schools for classes you're interested in. I know that Arrowmont has released the class schedule for the coming year, and they offer a 50% discount for local residents. There are also more and more classes being offered over Zoom, which opens up lots of opportunities without the need to travel I hope to see you all at the meeting. I'd encourage everyone to get the vaccine and booster as needed. Feel free to wear a mask as well, it won't be required. We will also be streaming the meeting on Zoom if that works better for you.

Stay Dusty,

Stephen Shankles

November Meeting

The November meeting was virtual via Zoom.

The November meeting was a program the jurying process for artists and makers. Lou Mansur started the program talking about the guild's procedure for becoming a juried member. The discussion included not just what it takes, but also what one can learn from the process. Since Stephen Shankles was the last juried member prior to the Covid 19 outbreak he was able to provide some insight about the process from his viewpoint. Lou also talked about the responsibility that goes along with becoming a juried member and how juried members can be mentors and enhance the experience of woodworking for other members.

Scott Dewaard continued the program talking about how the jurying process goes for a show like the Master Woodworkers Show. There are different criteria involved, but it will be helpful to learn what to focus on when entering a piece. Scott described in detail how the jurying process goes for any show where you are asked to submitted representations of your work. Using examples of photographers Scott covered what is good and what is not good when trying to best represent your work, The talk included ideas about formatting, lighting and the setting of the photograph and how these elements in terms of clearly communicating the essence of the piece you are trying to portray and understanding how it is perceived by the jury.

Thanks to Lou and Scott for providing the useful information on the jurying process.

Show and Tell

Show and tell is an important part of our meetings. Items from the meeting were uploaded for the zoom presentation and can be viewed on the website, <http://www.etwg.org/>

Education

Thanks to Bill Key who has done an excellent job as Education Committee Chair. Looking forward to an update on the Arrowmont weekend 2022.

Membership

Annual Membership Dues

Dues are \$35

Dues are payable now! Membership dues for 2022 are being collected. You can mail your check for \$35 to Charlie Cutler.

East Tennessee Woodworkers Guild (ETWG) c/
o Charlie Cutler
1631 Laramie Lane.
Seymour, TN 37865

New Membership Directory

We are in the process of creating a new (2022) Membership Directory that will be distributed to all members. Initially the distribution will be electronic. We'll distribute the Directory in printed form when our in-person Guild meetings resume.

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Juried Membership

All members are encouraged to continue improving their woodworking skills for Juried status. If you are having a woodworking problem with your project, please feel free to contact any of the Juried members listed on our website. They will provide points to look for or improve upon. Please refer to "Standards Committee Guidelines" found at [East Tennessee Woodworker's Guild](#) website to make arrangements for the Committee to review your work.

Membership Meeting Presentations

The guild generally holds meetings on the second Monday of odd-numbered months (i.e. January, March, May, etc.) at 6:30 at Maryville High School (MHS) in either the Wood Shop or in the Ed Harmon Room. Visitors and persons interested in joining the guild are welcome at all meetings. Directions to the meeting location at MHS are available via the Directions link at the top of the [East Tennessee Woodworker's Guild](#) website.

Guild Staff

Board of Directors and Special Advisors

President	Stephen Shankles
Director and Vice President	Mike Casey
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Director and Secretary	Tom Ehrnschwender
Director	Jim Vogelsang
Director	Lou Mansur
Director	Bill Key (end of term)
Director	Jeff White

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Education Committee Chair	Bill Key
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Membership Committee Chair	Mike Casey
Door Prizes Coordinators	Hal Flynt & Tom Wallin
Newsletter Editor/Librarian	Tom Ehrnschwender
Nettags Coordinator	Charlie Cutler
Web/Audio Visual	Jim Vogelsang

Welcome to Mike Casey as our newest Board Member (see Bio below). Mike will be taking over for Ralph Gonzales who is rotating off of the Board. Contact any member of the Board of Directors above if you are interested in serving. Participating as a board member is a great way to be involved with ETWG.

Michael Casey BIO

Mike Casey grew up in Paris Tennessee and moved to Knoxville in 1970 to attend the University of Tennessee. He obtained degrees in Electrical Engineering and has been using those skills in the area of medical imaging since that time.

Woodworking provides a welcome release from the stress of work. Mike inherited a love of wood-working from his father. Encouraged by his wife Jane, Mike has built a house full of furniture. More recent projects include a bedside table, a console table and a live edge TV table. Mike also enjoys turning and has turned numerous bowls and many other objects including wooden penny whistles. Mikes shop is a single car garage where he hopes to spend more time after retirement