



Woodturning Showcase

June 2, 2026 – 7:00 PM

Objectives and Purpose

- Encourage the involvement of all its members, but particularly new members and novices; and
- Promote learning by ensuring participants share supportive comments appropriate to their skill level.
- Enjoy sharing your work and learning from others' work.

How To Participate

- Bring recent original turnings that have not been exhibited before. You are permitted enter up to two turnings per category.
- If your work is signed, gently cover the signature with masking tape or similar to ensure anonymity.
- Take your turnings to the reception area to register your turning where you will receive an entry number for each item. Indicate whether you are a novice or experienced turner. Leave you items for volunteers to place them on display tables.

How to Vote

- Whether you bring turnings or not, visit the reception area to obtain "tickets" for voting in the popular choice awards. You will receive 1 ticket for each showcase category/experience level to use for "Popular Choice" voting and 2 tickets for "Best in Show" voting.
- Visit the display tables, select one turning in each category/experience level that you think deserves "Popular Choice" recognition and deposit 1 "Popular Choice" ticket per category in the cups provided.
- Select one turning from all categories in the "novice level" that you think deserves "Best in Show" recognition and deposit your "Best in Show" ticket in the associated cup. Do the same for all categories in the "experienced" level.
- At end of show, retrieve your entries and take them with you.

Categories

- Planned Categories are as follows:
 1. Bowls and Platters
 2. Hollow Forms, boxes, lidded containers and vases
 3. Pens and Spindle Work
 4. Other (spheres, femispheres, furniture, decorations, figures, puzzles, multipart turnings, cut and reassembled objects, etc.)
- Planned Experience Levels
 1. Novice: - Members with less than three years experience
 2. Experienced: Members with more than 3 years experience or those who do not feel they are novice, or those who Showcase facilitators identify as not novice.

- Note: Categories and Experience Levels may be combined or modified based on number of entries received. Organizers reserve the right to reassign these attributes as required.

General Rules

- You must be a TWG member in good standing.
- You may submit up to two entries in each category (8 in total).
- Turnings that have been previously entered in a woodturning competition are not allowed.
- Members may but are encouraged not to vote for their own entries.
- TWG organizers will interpret and apply showcase rules. Their decisions are final.

Awards

- Two “Best in Show” awards will be given based on the highest number of “best in show” votes received by an entry in each of Novice and Experienced groupings
- Two “Popular Choice” awards will be given in each category/experience level based on the highest number of votes received and is also not a Best in Show winner.
- In the case of a “tie”, an impartial organizer will cast a deciding vote.

Sharing Session

- After awards have been presented, members are invited to speak about their turnings if they wish in a “show and tell” format to share their comments and any tips or learnings.