

**BYLAWS
of the
GLENDALE WOODTURNERS GUILD
Revised: April 1 2005**

A local chapter of the
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS, INC.
A Nonprofit Corporation

ARTICLE I - ORGANIZERS AND LOCATION

Original Chapter organizers: June 16, 1993 William A. Hrnjak and Leslie Parsons.
Cities/areas encompassed Los Angeles County, primarily the San Fernando Valley.

ARTICLE II OFFICES

The principal office of this Chapter will be located at:
11001 Canby Ave.
Northridge, CA 91326

**ARTICLE III - RELATION OF CHAPTER
TO TITLE CORPORATE ORGANIZATION**

All members of the Glendale Woodturners Guild Chapter are urged to be members in good standing of the American Association of Woodturners, Inc.

While it is understood that the parent organization will provide advice and counsel, as requested, Local Chapters are advised that the nature and extent of their activities are left to their discretion. Demonstrations, while probably part of the normal activities of Local Chapters, are to be conducted solely at the discretion of Local Officers, and all safety and instruction is to be under their explicit direction and control.

The National Office strongly recommends placing some sort of sign or notice on or around any lathe used for demonstration stating that safety eye protection must be worn and that the lathe is a potentially dangerous instrument only to be used with Chapter-approved supervision.

ARTICLE IV - PURPOSES

The Chapter's purposes, in addition to supporting the general purposes of the parent organization, are:

1. To provide a meeting place for local woodturners.
2. To share ideas and techniques regarding this craft.
3. To trade woods.
4. To exchange ideas about tools.
5. To provide the members of the Guild with continuing education in the craft of woodturning.

ARTICLE V- MEETINGS

The Chapter will meet:	Where practical, on the second Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m.
The meetings will be held at:	Crescenta Valley Park Recreation Center, Honolulu & Dunsmore Glendale California
Notice:	A notice of each meeting will be sent to each member when possible 10 days before it is scheduled.

ARTICLE VI- OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

A. Number and Election.

The Board of Directors of the Glendale Woodturners will consist of the Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer), and the Past President, and one or more member at large as determined by the board. The officers shall be elected each January by a majority vote of the Chapter's members. Such other Officers and Assistant Officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected by the Chapter members or appointed by the elected officers.

B. **Term of Office.** Each officer shall hold office for one year, and may be re-elected.

C. **Removal.** Any Officer elected or appointed may be removed when it is deemed that the best interests of the Chapter would be served by such removal. This would be accomplished by a majority vote of the Chapter's members who are present at the time of the vote, so long as at least 50% of the members are present.

D. **Vacancies.** A vacancy in any Office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise may be filled by a majority vote of the members or of the Officers for the unexpired portion of the term.

E. **President.** The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Chapter. His duties include:

1. Supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Chapter.
2. Conduct Chapter Meetings.
3. Guide the educational program of the Guild.
4. Encourage interaction with other groups in the area.

F. **Vice President.** In the absence of the President or in the event of his death, inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of President and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall plan and manage the Program for demonstrations and meeting presentations and perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

G. **Secretary.** In general, the Secretary shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

H. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall collect all fees and all other monies belonging to the Chapter. He/She will be responsible for keeping current and accurate records of all monies that flow through the Chapter. In general, the Treasurer shall perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

ARTICLE VII- INDEBTEDNESS

AAW's National Office MUST be notified in writing PRIOR to a Local Chapter incurring any indebtedness for AAW.

**ARTICLE VIII - AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS' DISCLAIMERS:
FISCAL AND LEGAL**

The Corporation, the American Association of Woodturners, Inc., specifically dissociates *itself* from any debts, obligations or incumbrances of the Local Chapter. The Corporate Board of Directors of AAW is not responsible for the debts nor shares in the profits of the Local Chapters.

The Corporate Organization does not shoulder any legal liability for accidents that occur during events of any kind sponsored or unsponsored by a Local Chapter.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by a vote of a simple majority of the qualified voting members of the Chapter then casting ballots. Copies of all modifications to these By-Laws MUST be filed with the National Office of the AAW.

ACCEPTANCE OF THESE BY-LAWS:

These By-Laws have been drawn up, agreed upon, and adopted by Local Chapter:
Glendale Woodturners Guild in: La Crescenta, California on: April 1 2005

President: _____

James O'Connor Date: _____

Vice President: _____

Pete Carta Date: _____

Secretary: _____

Albert Sobel Date: _____

Treasurer: _____

Robert Devoe Date: _____