

LATHE I - BASIC TURNING SKILLS

Instructors: Jim Casey, Linda Serda, Art Lincoln and Bill Zurcher

Prerequisite: None - this class is for beginners

Enrollment: Limited to three students per class, with a minimum of one

Schedule: 3 hours – there are 2 new classes a month (verify dates and times using online wood club monthly calendar).

Student Materials to Buy & Prepare Prior to Class: None - instructor will prepare the needed material for each student.

Description: This is a class which is required prior to SCW Woodworking Club members being allowed to use the club's lathes - including the pen making lathes. Lathe safety is the first order of business. Wood selection and methods of mounting projects on the lathe will be covered. Instructors will review many of the tools that can be used on a lathe. This class will focus on the hands-on use of three, the spindle roughing gouge, bowl gouge, and parting tool. This class is devoted to spindle turning. Each participant will practice turning square stock to round and then cut a series of beads and coves. Upon completion of this exercise, the members will be provided with another blank to practice what they learned to make a small Christmas Tree. Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to use the club's lathes in a safe way.

Note: There is a separate pen lathe course. The lathe I is sufficient for simple work on the pen lathes, but Lathe II is highly recommended.

Fee: \$15 - this includes the instructor-provided wood.

Tools will be provided.

Students are encouraged to complete this course before deciding on investing in their own personal tools.

Pre-Class Study Material:

Videos: [Woodturning Safety Basics 8](#)

[Basics of Wood Turning](#)

Documents: [The Wood Lathe](#)

Quick Guide: [6 Basic Woodturning Tools](#)

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