

The Kansas City Woodturners Association announces:

Christmas Ornament Class

(a Spindle Turning Class)

Taught by Professional Woodturner

Anthony Harris



The KC Woodturners and teacher Anthony Harris are planning a September Christmas Ornament Class, a spindle-turning class. The fundamentals skills of spindle turning are applicable to all subsequent endeavors on the lathe, and you can make something to put on your tree as well as something for the Challenge. See ornament examples on the next page.

No lathe experience is necessary to sign up although turners with some experience can still benefit through deeper exploration into good tool handling, making good shapes, tool modifications and efficiency. The class will supply tools to those who don't have them, but bringing your own is beneficial. Wood will also be supplied.

Primary tools: 1/2 inch spindle gouge, 1/8 inch parting tool, 1/2 inch round-nosed scraper. You will eventually need these spindle tools: roughing gouge, skew.

This three-day class will run from 12:30pm until 4:30pm on Saturday 9/26, Sunday 9/27 and Saturday 10/03.

Particular topics are where and how to get wood – it doesn't all have to come from a lumber yard. We will learn a few methods for mounting work on the lathe. Shapes of and sharpening of your tools and the skills to make clean, efficient cuts on the inside and outside of spindles. We will pay particular attention to how to use a chuck and how to prepare billets for mounting. Sanding and finishing will be covered, but limited as we do not have adequate facilities for either. We will have fun, and the puns are monetarily free, though perhaps not without other costs.

If you have questions, contact Kevin Neelley at treas@kcwoodturners.org or Anthony Harris at anthony@acmewoodturning.com

Class is limited to 8 students. No tuition refunds after class has begun. To reserve your place you can pay using PayPal (you do not need a PayPal account) at: <http://www.kcwoodturners.org/Class/OrnamentClass2026.html>