

JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

A Gaze in Our Gallery: Red Carpet Show

Thank you to everyone who attended the Opening Reception of the Red Carpet Show last Friday evening. This show will continue to run through March 11, so be sure to stop by the Gallery and see the work of 10 Furniture Masters! Each piece of furniture in this exhibition is available for purchase.

Location: 49 South Main Street, Concord, NH

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5 pm



SAVE THE DATE!

Masters' Pieces - The Main Event

October 5, 2019 at the Currier Museum of Art

Stay tuned for more details!

2019 Slate of New Members & Invited Artists

- Congratulations to former Invited Artists Roger Myers, Owain Harris and

Michael Gloor. They are now full-fledged Furniture Masters.

- Brain Reid and Leah Woods are welcomed back as Furniture Masters reinstated. We are happy to have them back with our organization!
- And lastly, we welcome Lynn Szymanski as a 2019 Invited Artist. We look forward to adding her unique style to our group.
- Jamie Herman is the recipient of the 2019 Alden Artisan Advancement. [Click here](#) for more information on the Alden Artisan Advancement and this year's recipient.

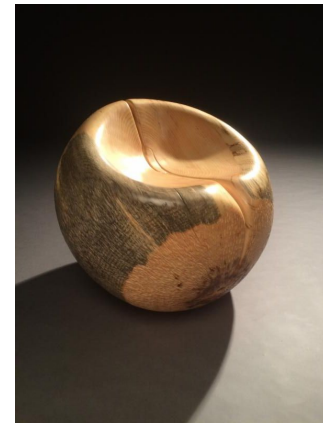
Updates From the Furniture Masters

John Cameron will be exhibiting at the [Smithsonian Craft Show](#), April 24 - 28 in Washington D.C. This will be his fifth year exhibiting at this prestigious show.



Smithsonian
Craft Show

Jon Brooks is busy making four large carved pieces for the [R & Company Gallery](#) in New York City - two side chairs, a 10' tall stairway and a ball chair.



Update on the Prison Outreach Programs

NH State Prison for Men

Now in its 20th year, the Prison Outreach Program in the New Hampshire State Prison for Men is our oldest program. 12-15 inmates partake in the program and are taught by Furniture Masters Terry Moore and Tom McLaughlin on a monthly basis.

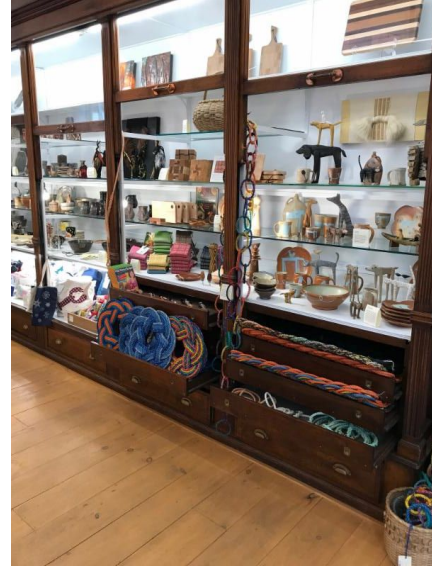
Because of the longevity of the NH program, we are seeing a turn over as men are being released from prison and now making a living by making furniture and cabinetry. In the upcoming year, we are hoping to bring in a handful of guests artists who can demonstrate and teach the inmates more specific skills such as wood turning and carving as well as more intricate veneer work.

Maine State Prison

Exciting things are happening for the Fine Woodworking Program in the Maine State Prison.

In addition to having work for sale at the Maine State Prison Showroom in Thomaston, we are in the beginning stages of coordinating with the [Maine Craft Association](#) to have work for sale in their two stores: [Maine Craft Portland](#) and the [Center for Maine Craft](#) in West Gardiner. This is a great new partnership for our organization and we look forward to seeing work in these spaces.

The Prison Outreach Program in Maine is led by Brian Reid, Howard Hatch and Jeffrey Cooper. They have created a solid curriculum that teaches beginning to advanced makers and are in the prison workshop teaching on a regular basis.



Inside the Maine Craft Portland store. The store features a display of items for sale as well as a small exhibition gallery space.

New Hampshire Correctional Facility for Women

We are moving forward with our Prison Outreach Program in the NH Correctional Facility for Women. Because a space needs to be constructed and building can't start until spring, the program is slated to begin with a series of lectures and small carving projects. This program will be taught by Leah Woods and Lynn Szymanski who have developed a curriculum and are eager to get started!

Our Prison Outreach Programs and other educational initiatives would not be possible without the support of our generous contributors. We greatly appreciate your support of our organization and hope you can continue to help us keep our vital programs running as we enter 2019 - ***thank you!***



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