



CAPITOL WOODCARVERS

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President's Message

Hello everyone! Sending my Valentine love to you all. Last month's meeting was well attended and included some new members. Bob Curtis presented fabulous presentation on AI in the arts. It gave me a lot to consider. February's meeting will be held on the 24th. We will not be holding a board meeting prior to the general meeting. Terry Moss will be demonstrating carving hair.

Our annual show is quickly approaching. Get your table reserved and decide what pieces you want to show. It's a wonderful opportunity to showcase the many aspects of our art.

Keep warm and safe.

Sarah Lynch

2026 Capitol Woodcarvers Featured Carver

Every year our club recognizes one of our carvers for the quality of their carvings and their support of our club. This year we are proud to announce that Laurie Ladd has been selected by previous honorees as our 2026 Featured Carver. Laurie's show table will be highlighted at our Annual Show.

A brief carving history and examples of Laurie's carvings are shown below and can be seen on the Capitol Woodcarvers website.

Laurie Ladd

Capitol Woodcarvers 2026 Featured Carver



Laurie started carving many years ago with her husband Fay and sister Patty Ashford. They took a class with Dave Deiselbrett at Woodcrafters then started classes with Dave Walker in his garage. It was during these classes that Laurie learned about and became a member of Capitol Woodcarvers. Laurie continued carving with Dave Deiselbrett at the Salem

Senior Center located in the Hollywood District of Salem and she continues to carve at Center 50+.

Laurie volunteers as a Club helper in whatever capacity is needed. She served on the Board of Directors and as Club Secretary for about seven years. She is an active volunteer for the Oregon Woodcarvers Rendezvous and the Annual Capitol Woodcarvers Show.

Laurie is a very experienced carver who likes to try different mediums. Most of her experience is carving caricatures using basswood but her cottonwood bark houses are outstanding. Pyrography is also an art enjoyed by Laurie, and her wood-burned projects really show off her artistic ability. Laurie is continually trying to improve and is an active participant in club events such as classes and open studios. One of the things Laurie likes most about Capitol Woodcarvers is the willingness of members to share techniques and ideas with each other.

Laurie says one of her greatest joys about woodcarving is that she has met many great carvers with whom she has befriended.

Laurie wants to thank all the wonderful carvers who have been an inspiration to her carving journey. Laurie thinks that anyone with an interest in carving would enjoy being a part of our growing family of carvers. Novices as well as experienced carvers are always welcome! Laurie invites and encourages you to learn more about the art of woodcarving.

Laurie's Carvings

Some of Laurie's Carvings



Great job Laurie and congratulations on being selected as the 2026 Capitol Woodcarvers Featured Carver.

Visitors to the Capitol Woodcarvers Show in March are invited and encouraged to stop by Laurie's table to admire her work and to talk with Laurie about her inspiration and carving journey.

Visitors to Laurie's table will be amazed by the quality and variation of her carvings on display. Laurie is truly an exceptional carver and very valued club supporter.

**Capitol
Woodcarvers
Annual Show**

2026 Capitol Woodcarvers Show

March 28-29

Capitol Woodcarvers Art Show and Sale

Center 50+ 2615 Portland Rd. NE

10-5 Saturday, 10-3 Sunday



Jack Dalton, Featured Carver 2025

If you have not yet signed up for a table, please do so now. Your participation helps to promote the art of woodcarving and encourages visitors to join our club.

The show registration form is included at the end of this newsletter and is also available on the Capitol Woodcarvers website: <https://capitolwoodcarvers.org>

**Lunch
Schedule**

Friday Lunch Schedule

- 2/20/2026 Applebee's North, 2625 Liberty St. NE, Salem
- 2/27/2026 Mommy & Maddie's, 4765 River Rd N, Keizer
- 3/6/2026 Wild Card - Location TBD
- 3/13/2026 The Yard (food trucks), 4106 State St, Salem

Lunch is at 11:30 each Friday. Come join us for lunch and friendly conversation. After lunch we head over to Center 50+ for an afternoon of Open Carving where we share techniques and skills. Friday afternoon carving is a great opportunity to share and learn from each other.

February Club Meeting

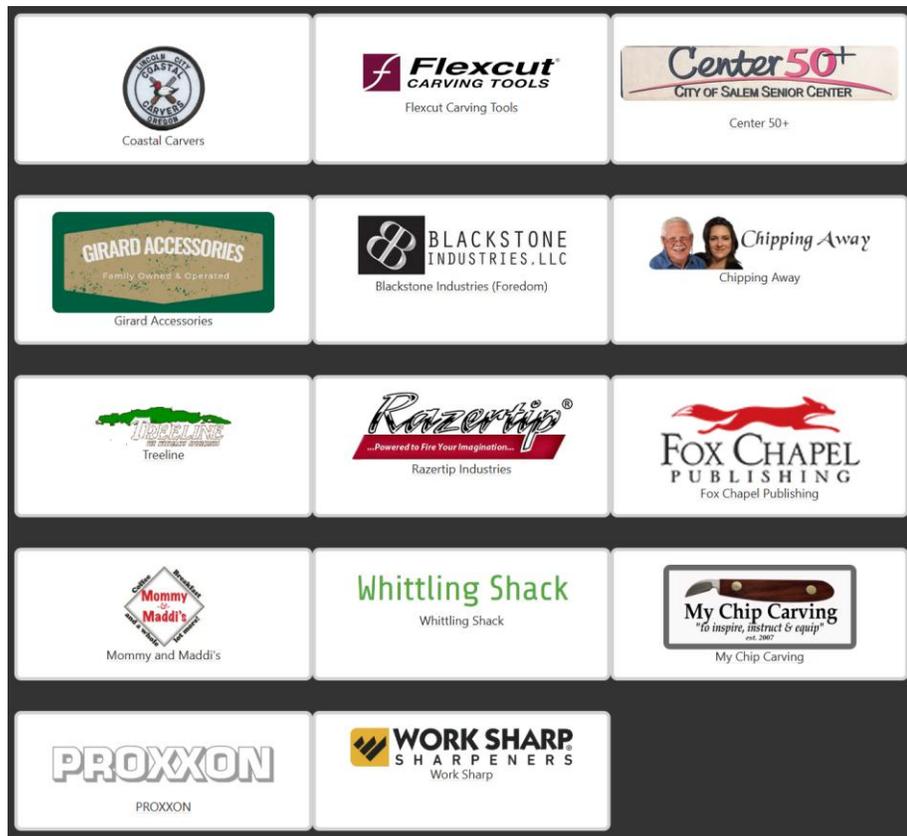
Club Meeting February 24

See you at the Club Meeting Feb 24 7:00PM at Center 50+. Terry Moss will be demonstrating how to carve hair. Knowing Terry's techniques will greatly enhance our carvings.

You can also sign up for a show table during the meeting. Bring a "Show and Tell" carving share.

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Capitol Woodcarver's Annual Show

March 28 – 29, 2026

Sat. 10:00AM-5:00PM, Sun. 10:00AM-3:00PM

Center 50+ 2615 Portland Rd. NE, Salem, OR 97301

Registration Due by March 13, 2026

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Tables available for either sales or display

Number of tables requested: _____ 6' tables \$10.00 per table = \$ _____

Set up: Friday, March 27, 1:00PM-4:00PM, and Saturday, March 28, 9:00AM-10:00AM

Membership: Participants must be paid members of Capitol Woodcarvers to participate in the show. Membership is \$12.00 (\$18.00 family) payable to Capitol Woodcarvers. Buy/renew membership now: <https://capitolwoodcarvers.org/membership.php>

Lunch is available for ~\$13.75 (payable at the show)

Please let us know the type and # of sandwiches you would like.

(Includes: chips; pickle; cookie, and a beverage)

Saturday: Beef _____ Turkey _____ Ham _____

Sunday: Beef _____ Turkey _____ Ham _____

LIVE AUCTION - Saturday at 3pm

RAFFLE - Sunday at 1pm (*must be present to win*)

Donations for both are greatly appreciated

Print this form and bring it with payment to:

- Capitol Woodcarvers Club meeting/event, or,

Print this form and send it with payment to:

- Capitol Woodcarvers, P. O. Box 13321, Salem, OR 97301

For more information contact: capitolwoodcarvers@gmail.com

