



Lake Superior Woodturners

Membership Form 2025 – 2026



The LSW is a membership-based, not-for-profit organization, providing information, education, organization, and technical support for our members and all who are interested in woodturning. We define woodturning as the shaping of wood using a lathe, which results in objects and images that range from the familiar to the profound. This includes everything from decorative and functional bowls, boxes, and vessels, to furniture, architectural spindles, toys, tools, musical instruments, and sculptural objects. The LSW is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners.

Name (Please Print)

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number

Email Address – email is required for newsletter delivery and club updates

Dues \$60 Yearly (September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026)

\$

Amount Enclosed

- CASH
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New Member

Existing/Renewing Member

I am currently a member of the AAW

I would like more information about the AAW

I would like to see demonstrations on: _____

I would be able to help lead a demonstration or discussion on: _____

Lake Superior Woodturners Liability Release

The process of woodturning presents an ever-present risk of injury to a person operating a lathe, and to any individual observing its operation.

We want to make sure that all individuals operating or observing a lathe are aware that many hazards do exist. Lathes spin wood and other materials at high speeds, presenting the potential for injury if the wood, or portions of it, somehow breaks off, shatters, or comes away from the lathe while it is spinning. A potential weakness exists in all wood and in all methods of holding wood, therefore potential for wood breakage and personal injury exists any time a lathe is in use.

Sharp tools, brittle tools, hazardous chemicals, glues, and finishes may also present a potential for injury for lathe operators and observers.

Wood chips, shavings, splinters, bark, chunks of weak wood, and dust can fly off the wood being worked on the lathe. Eye and face protection is absolutely necessary to protect operators and observers from flying debris. Wood debris on the floor also presents a hazard for slipping/falling. Dust in the air may present respiratory hazards.

Many woodworking shops are not set up to accommodate observers, therefore hazards may exist to individuals being in the shop due to areas being cramped, or to tools and supplies being touched, bumped, accidentally started, or otherwise affected by themselves or others in the shop.

By signing I acknowledge that I have read the above information and that I understand that there is a risk of injury to individuals operating or observing lathe operation and that I accept full responsibility for any injury which may happen to me while attending or participating in any way, any event, gathering, demonstration or seminar, in any way associated with the turner release for liability, any individual, business, school or meeting place and the club and it's board members. I hold no one liable for the injuries or damages received while attending a meeting or demonstration at the club.

COVID-19 Addendum: I agree to make every effort to prevent the transmission of the COVID virus by following the CDC's safety protocols, including attending meetings only when fully vaccinated, wearing a mask when required, and social distancing when requested.

Sign Here

Date

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