



# ***TURN**styles*

## **The History and Art of Wood Turning**

Traveling throughout Bucks County from September 1997 through June 1998





**TURNstyles: The History and Art of Wood Turning** is an interactive exhibition exploring the history and technique of wood turning, with a special emphasis on Pennsylvania's contributions from colonial times to the present. It was curated in collaboration with The Wood Turning Center of Philadelphia and features well over 100 objects on display, many of which can be handled by visitors.

The exhibition includes: **Turned Objects in Everyday Life**—such as balustrades, rolling pins, chairs, candle sticks, bowls, honey dippers, and toothpicks; **Wood Turned Toys**—such as tops, nesting dolls, a nutcracker and handmade baseball bat; and approximately 50 **Art Objects and Musical Instruments** made by turners from the Delaware Valley and around the world. **Hands-on Exhibits**—such as matching games, a wooden model of a lathe, tops, a wooden tea set, and magnetic design panels give children the opportunity to “learn by doing.” Our professional Artmobile Guides actually demonstrate wood turning on a lathe during their stimulating and informative presentations. These dialogues encourage student interaction and are geared specifically to each grade level.

As always, *Teachers' Manuals* are sent to each school prior to our visit. These manuals help teachers incorporate the Artmobile experience into their curricula with pre-visit and post-visit activities for all ages relating to history, geography, language arts, geometry, math, science and physical education as well as fine arts. A glossary, bibliography and resource listing, and class hand-outs are also provided. The *Teacher's Manual* is intended both as a tool for the visit and as a resource for years to come.

As an adjunct to this exhibition, The Wood Turning Center of Philadelphia has offered artist residency programs for an additional fee to all schools on Artmobile's nine-month tour. The Center provides schools with an experienced artist-teacher and small, portable lathes adapted for use by children. Students, grades 3–12, can learn basic techniques and safety while making an object of their own design.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Artmobile is a non-collecting, traveling museum dedicated to providing the school children and residents of Bucks County access to fine, original works of art. It is a vital component of Bucks County Community College which provides important cultural outreach programs in accordance with the college's mission. We are committed to fostering an understanding of art, art making and the value of art in our communities and our lives by exhibiting and interpreting works of art.

Artmobile travels throughout Bucks County to schools and public sites. Trained, professional Guides engage students of all ages in dialogue about the art through tours geared to their grade level. At public sites the Guide is available to provide information and engage in informal discussion with visitors. Artmobile's exhibition program includes written materials sent to teachers prior to our visit with background information about the exhibit and practical, interdisciplinary ideas for related classroom activities in order to assist them in incorporating the Artmobile experience into their curricula.

Artmobile contributes to Bucks County Community College by providing a valuable service to our community, enhancing the college's public image, and promoting its presence throughout Bucks County. Through innovative and stimulating exhibitions appropriate for all ages, Artmobile establishes the college as a center for community services and cultural activities. By providing arts education programming for county schools, Artmobile supports the college's intention of serving as a resource to the community in areas of arts instruction. Artmobile is essential to the college's commitment to collaborative leadership in the arts.

Artmobile is the outreach museum of the **Department of the Arts at Bucks County Community College**. A portion of Artmobile's general operating funds for this fiscal year has been provided through a grant from the **Institute of Museum Services**, a Federal agency that offers general operating support to the nation's museums. *TURNstyles: The History and Art of Wood Turning* is supported in part by a grant from the **Pennsylvania Council on the Arts**.

## TRAVELING SCHEDULE

### September 1997–June 1998

#### September 1997

23–25 Bucks County Community College, *Newtown*  
27 The Henry Francis DuPont Winterthur Museum,  
*Winterthur, DE*

29–Oct. 6 Newtown Elementary School, *Newtown*

#### October 1997

7–13 St. Andrew School, *Newtown*  
14–17 Davis Elementary School, *Southampton*  
20–24 Hillcrest Elementary School, *Holland*  
27–Nov. 3 Warwick Elementary School, *Jamison*

#### November 1997

4–10 John Barclay Elementary School, *Warrington*  
11–14 Longstreth Elementary School, *Warminster*  
17–20 Butler Elementary School, *Chalfont*  
21–Dec. 3 Everett McDonald Elementary  
School, *Warminster*

#### December 1997

4–9 Doyle Elementary School, *Doylestown*  
10–12 Wrightstown Elementary School, *Wrightstown*  
15–18 Sol Feinstone Elementary School, *Newtown*

#### January 1998

7–13 Saint Ephrem School, *Bensalem*  
14–21 Samuel K. Faust Elementary School, *Bensalem*  
22–26 Washington Elementary School, *Levittown*  
27–Feb. 2 Penn Valley Elementary School, *Levittown*

#### February 1998

3–9 St. Michael the Archangel School, *Levittown*  
10–12 St. Frances Cabrini School, *Fairless Hills*  
13–24 Morrisville Middle/Senior High School, *Morrisville*  
25–Mar. 2 Village Park Elementary School, *Fairless Hills*

#### March 1998

3–9 New Hope-Solebury Elementary School, *Solebury*  
10–16 William Tennent High School, *Warminster*  
7–23 Neidig Elementary School, *Quakertown*  
24–26 Tinicum Elementary School, *Pipersville*  
27–April 1 Sellersville Elementary School, *Sellersville*

#### April 1998

2–7 J. M. Grasse Elementary School, *Sellersville*  
8–17 Willow Dale Elementary School, *Warminster*  
20–28 Pine Run Elementary School, *New Britain*  
29–May 4 Tawanka Elementary School, *Langhorne*

#### May 1998

5–7 The Valley Day School, *Morrisville*  
8–14 Edgewood Elementary School, *Yardley*  
15–21 Rolling Hills Elementary School, *Holland*  
26–June 1 Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary  
School, *Morrisville*

#### June 1998

2–8 Buckingham Elementary School, *Buckingham*  
9–12 M. M. Seylar Elementary School, *Perkasie*  
17–19 Bucks County Courthouse, *Doylestown*



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