



Presents

Ronald (Ron) Magoon -Turning Bowls on a Lathe

I am a native of Chico California and I attended C.S.U.C. majoring in art. My wife of 52 years and I worked as designers and sign painters in the family sign shop. Magoon Signs is one of the oldest family owned businesses in Chico that is still in existence. My two daughters took over the business in 1997 so I could enjoy farming and devote more time to my art.

In 2001, I watched my mentor, Tom Arcoleo turn wood bowls on his lathe from some wood from my English walnut orchard. A few lessons later I was hooked on turning.

I have shown my wood creations at Second Street Gallery in Bandon OR, galleries in Chester, and at Bird In Hand in Chico. I won first place in the Wood turners of America Wood Turning contest in 2002 under the new artist division. Recently, in 2010 and 2011 I took 4th place in the World Wide Yo-Yo Mod Contest of design and the making of yo-yos. Several of my yo-yos and gyro tops are on display at the Bird In Hand National Yo-yo museum...

Wood has an endless supply of color and design so to watch it take form under one's guiding hands is very rewarding. I love to use different types of wood and to embellish my bowls with 24k gold, turquoise, and other precious stones.

Each creation is unique in itself.