



2026 JUDGING CATEGORIES

ALTERNATE MATERIALS: Alternate materials that are cast or added to wood to create unique, original pieces including plastics, resin, metal, stone, etc.

ARTISTIC: Exquisitely Finished Turned art - carved, pierced, sculpted, or otherwise enhanced

BOWLS: Any turning which resembles or may be used as a bowl

HOLLOW FORMS: Narrow, closed, or open mouth hollowed turnings either with hand tools or jog assisted, includes vases, urns, weed pots, etc.

JEWELRY: Turned items for wrist, neck, finger, or other body wear

NOVICE*: Those who began turning within the last twelve months. Covers all categories for any turned piece from a new turner over 17 years old.

PENS: Turned fine writing implements

PLATTER: Any turning which resembles a plate or platter

SEGMENTED: Turnings comprised of multiple systematic layered individual pieces

SPINDLE: Any piece turned primarily between centers with marginal hollowing; ornaments, pepper mills, rolling pins, finials, canes, goblets, boxes, eccentric, offset, etc.

YOUTH:** For turners 17 years old or younger. Covers all categories for any turned piece from a young turner.

1st / 2nd / 3rd and Honorable Mention Ribbons per Category

Judges will include a selection of professionals and 2024 Symposium presenters

Totally Turning 2025 Ribbons will be awarded for each category

The winning entries for each category will be on display at our Show Winner's Table

One entry will receive the
Rich Pagano Memorial Award for 'Best in Show'

Professional Judging will be based on:

CONCEPT: Artistry, originality, creativity, functionality

EXECUTION: Craftsmanship and finish

TECHNICAL DIFFICULTY

WOW FACTOR

Totally Turning Gallery Staff reserve the right to move and photograph displayed items

Please leave your gallery entries on display until at least 3pm on Sunday of the Totally Turning Symposium

*Novice – Began turning in the last 12 months and over 17 years of age

**Youth Turners – 17 years old and under