

Basics to Scroll Sawing

dfwscrollers.com



We have put together some very basic information to help you get started with scroll sawing. Like any other hobby, it takes practice and patience. All of us that have scrolled for years still have fire wood at times. DFW Scrollers is a good club that allows us to pass on information and learn from one another.

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Scrollsaw Association of the World www.saw-online.com

SAW is the national organization that promotes scroll sawing.

Benefits of Membership

Annual Resource Directory

Quarterly Newsletter

Scholarship and Opportunity Grant programs

Members Only website full of helpful tools and hints

Plus a lot more

Application available online or write

SAW, PO Box 340, Botkins, Oh 45306

DFW Scrollers is a club member of SAW. Our membership with SAW provides us insurance when we are doing demonstration as well as our yearly Texas Scroll Saw Picnic. In order to be covered by SAW, 30% of our members have to maintain a yearly membership with SAW.

Scroll Saws

There are many saws on the market. We are only highlighting a few because we have firsthand knowledge of these particular saws. We do suggest that you buy the best that you can afford. This eliminates having to buy a better product later.

- (1) Hawk –now made by Bushton Manufacturing -- www.rbiwoodtools.com --- 800-775-4795 Several of the members have the Hawk and find them to be well balanced and hold up well with all the projects.
- (2) Hegner made by Advance Machinery— www.advmachinery.com – 1-800-727-6553 Several of us have Hegners and have found them to be very dependable. The stands have a smaller base therefore taking up less space. The blades feed from the bottom.
- (3) DeWalt --- CPO Power Tools --- www.cpopowertools.com ---several members have the DeWalt and would not use anything else. It feeds from the top or bottom which helps when doing fret work. They can be purchased at Rockler.
- (4) Excalibur --- www.seyco.com -800-462-3353- We saved the best until last. This is the most dependable and can be purchased through Seyco Scroll Saw Specialists located in Rockwall, which is just east of Dallas off HWY 30. This machine feeds from the top, has very little vibration and has a tilting head. Most machines have a base that tilts, but this one features a tilting head. This helps when cutting at an angle. Ray and Cindy Seymore are the owners and can answer any questions.

Resources Material

Magazines

- (1) Creative Woodworks & Crafts Magazine www.woodworksandcrafts.com This magazine is received several times a year featuring articles, projects and free patterns. Subscribers also receive a free Holiday Issue in the fall.
- (2) ScrollSaw Woodworking & Crafts Magazine www.scrollsawer.com This magazine is also received several times a year featuring articles, projects and free patterns. The special Holiday Issue has to be purchased separately –Lowes carries copies of ScrollSaw Woodworking & Crafts.
- (3) Both magazines have ads from vendors that allow you to shop for all your needs such as wood, blades, glue, etc.

Catalogues for patterns and supplies

The Wooden Teddy Bear Collection	1-888-762-9149	www.woodenteddybear.com
Wildwood Designs	1-800-470-9090	www.WildWoodDesigns.com
Scroller LTD.	1-800-486-6053	www.scrolleronline.com

Above are just a few of the catalogues available. These all provide you with patterns, scrolling supplies, blades, as well as books for sale.

Craft Supplies

Woodwork LTD--- craftparts.com This local Fort Worth company sells all types of craft supplies including wheels for cars.

Pinto Beans 134 York Av. Weatherford, TX 76086
Owners Jim & Linda York 817 594-8051, cell 817 480-6092. This is a bead supplier and also has classes in Jewelry making as well as wire wrapping.

Free Patterns

There are several locations to receive free patterns on line. You usually need to sign in to get these patterns

Steve Good Digital Patterns designed by Steve www.scrollsawworkshop.blogspot.com

Internet information

www.scrollsaw.com

This website is by Rick Hutcheson who was a board member of saw. It gives a lot of free information including ratings of saws. If you have questions regarding scrolling, go to this website first. It may save you time and energy.

Wood Vendors

Sloan's Woodshop 1-888-615-9663 www.sloanswoodshop.com

Ocooch Hardwoods 888-322-2432 clhacker@mwt.net ocoochhardwoods.com

Sweeney Hardwood 817 838-3095 3769 Noble Ave Fr. Worth
This company is located in the Riverside area of Ft. Worth off Hwy 121
With a \$50.00 minimum purchase.

Barney Robinson Hardwoods Lumber Co 817 534-8901 2500 E Lancaster Av. Ft. Worth

Brazos Forest Products hoganhardwoods.com
2760 N Great SW Pkwy
Grand Prairie, TX 75050-6470
(972) 602-1777

Northern Custom Hardwoods

122 J Water St. Weatherford, Tx. 76086 David Sinkola 817 501-8752 Bobbie 817 597-0380

This vendor is no longer at 1st Monday in Weatherford. **Call him before going.** He is not always open due to his traveling for wood. His cuts are usually thick for fireplace mantles, but he does have some thinner.

This vendor is also located at First Monday in Weatherford.

Scroller Catalogue—this vendor carries grade A4 wood that is approved by Jeff Zaffino for portrait cutting www.scrolleronline.com 1-800-486-6053

Sawmill information

"Cutting Edge Wood Works"

The owner is Wesley Jones.
1848 County Rd. 262
Stephenville, TX, 76041 Phone 254-592-6151
This is the vendor that has come to our picnic the last 2 years.

The Sawmill

Javier 940 230-1807 Ronnie 940 328-4582
1994 Highway 180 West, Palo Pinto, Tx 76484
(2 miles west of Palo Pinto)

Private owned small saw mill in Oklahoma

Justin Parchman at: 580-873-9903 or email at: jjparchman@sbcglobal.net Justin is located in Fort
Towson, Ok. About 20 miles north of the Red River
Thickness Length Width contact Justin Parchman at: 580-873-9903 or email at:
jjparchman@sbcglobal.net

Plywood Company of Fort Worth

817 831-4206
4301 N Sylvania Av.
Ft. Worth, TX 76137

Blades

Everyone has a different ideas regarding blades. We are including the vendors that are used by the majority of the members. There are many more available.

Seyco - www.seyco.com - 1-800 462-3353 Seyco carries Olson blades and the PL series. Several of us use the PL series of varying sizes. We have found that we get the smoothest cut and least amount of clean up with these blades.

Ocooch – www.occoochhardwoods.com 1-888-322-2432 Flying Dutchman blades

Sloans Woodshop- www.sloanswoodshop.com 1-888-615-9663 Olson Blades

Mike's Workshop www.mikesworkshop.com Mike has a What Blade Should I Use page. It gives detailed information to help you choose blades for your many projects.

Attaching Patterns

Most members use 3M77 Glue. Spray the back of the pattern and attach to the wood. This glue will hold your pattern in place. For quick fixes use a glue stick.

Sanding

Again you will get many different answers about sanding our projects.

I started with and still use a Black and Decker hand sander purchased at a local dealer. I sand the wood prior to cutting. After cutting I again sand with the hand sander. Then I use 3 different grades of paper on my project. Sanding by hand I lightly use 400, 600 and 1000 grit paper. If problem areas remain, I then use files to get in the fretwork areas. Sometimes I use an emery board to get into tight spots.

Several members have the sanding system called the Sand Flea Sander. My information shows that WoodCraft carries the Sand Flea in this area. It makes sanding easy.

Seyco sells the "Flex Drum Sander System" which I now use. I have the drum sander on one side and the floppy wheel on the 2nd side of the motor. This system takes care of most of my sanding needs for my crosses.

Finishing

Danish Oil

Minwax

Wipe On Polly by MinWax

All of these products are wonderful and come in different colors. You will need to test these out to find what works best for you and your different projects.

My tip of the day. Between each layers of finish, rub your wood with a brown paper lunch bag. Yes you can still buy these in the paper section of the grocery store. The paper takes off the rough feeling from your project and gives it a hand polished look and feel.