



## March 2018 Newsletter

Hi Bruce

### Next Meeting

The next Vancouver Island Woodworkers Guild meeting will be Tuesday, March 13th starting at 7:15 pm at Lee Valley Tools, Colwood. Come early and do some shopping! Our presenter will be Dan Gentile who will guide us through the process of "French Polishing".

### Visions in Wood - 2018

The VIWG wood show [Visions in Wood - 2018](#) begins April 4th and runs through until April 29th at the Cedar Hill Recreation Centre. The Guild has been given space in a large display case as well as the gallery. Each space is expected to hold around 20 projects. There is still time to submit your project description to be considered for the show. Please note that this is a non-juried show with no commission charges. For more information please contact either [Frank Letchford](#) or [Phil Makin](#).

## **Member Survey**

Guild members have responded in numbers to the Member Survey with many very good suggestions on how we can make an already good Guild that much better. The Executive would like to thank all of the Members who have already sent in their submission and remind those who have not that there is still time to share your thoughts and concerns. [Click here](#) to get to the survey.

## **February Meeting**

Warren Bailey held the audience "spell-bound" for the entire time as he described his work with shattered million-dollar violins. Stories of accidents with couriers knocking priceless violins out of musicians hands, million dollar violins stashed under beds and in closets. The intrigue of the buying and selling of original and repaired instruments around the world. The use of wood shaved to less than a millimetre in thickness being used with hot sand to patch holes. The search for days to find just the right grain pattern to match broken violins.

## **"Knotty" Spring Challenge**

Don't forget to plan your project for the [Spring Challenge](#). This is a chance to highlight those "knots" that always seem to be in the wrong place. Projects will be displayed at the Guild meeting in June.

## **Tours and Workshops**

There are a series of SketchUp workshops going on this month. The Beginners workshop started February 28th, going for three weekends until March 10th while the Intermediate workshop started March 3rd and runs through to March 17th. Check the website for upcoming activities in April.

Regards

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