

# THE Krenov FOUNDATION

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Laura Mays, President

*Thank you for keeping up with The Krenov Foundation.*

*Since our first newsletter in January, I'm pleased to report that the Foundation has increased its annual spending on scholarships and awards to \$15,500. There are*

*details of these awards, including two new ones, the David Welter Scholarship for Furniture Craftsmanship and TKF Award for Professional Development, in this newsletter.*

*We are supporting several shows this spring, each involving woodworkers that learned from Krenov, or from Krenov based traditions. You will find all the specifics in our Events & Calendar column. I hope to see many of you at these shows. If you admire fine craftsmanship, I hope you will be rewarded by what you see.*

*I'm also proud to report that TKF received a prestigious \$5,000 Community Enrichment Program Grant from the Community Foundation of Mendocino County. This grant will help with our ongoing James Krenov Archive project. Of course we owe a mighty big thank you to the selection committee at CFMC, and look forward to developing the archive and getting it online! And, I'm happy to inform you that the Board welcomes Hock Tools owner Ron Hock as our newest member.*

— Laura Mays, President

## **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS:** **THE 2015** **KRENOV FOUNDATION AWARD**

**G**reg Zall received the 2015 Krenov Foundation Award for an exquisitely de-



Greg Zall received The Krenov Foundation Award for \$500 at the 2015 Sonoma County Woodworkers Show, *Artistry in Wood*.

signed and constructed memorial urn with exquisite marquetry of irises wrapping its exterior. Zall's MJ Box exemplified the cri-

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS *continued:*



Greg Zall's award winning *Mj Box*. Photo credit: Tyler Chartier.

teria judges David Marks, Laura Mays, and Paul Reiber were seeking: focus on craftsmanship and attention to detail; sensitivity to material; and a modest and respectful interpretation of archetypes from the past.

Our new TKF Foundation [video](#) explains both the award and Greg's thoughts on receiving it.

THANKS TO TKF'S GROWTH IN DONATIONS,  
WE ARE NOW ABLE TO OFFER ONE NEW  
AWARD & THREE NEW SCHOLARSHIPS!

### I THE KRENOV FOUNDATION AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**T**he *Krenov Foundation Award for Professional Development* will award \$2500 annually to an emerging fine woodworking professional to assist him or her as an artist-in-residence, or as a visiting scholar at a nationally recognized woodworking school or arts & crafts center.

Beginning this year (2016), applications will be accepted May 1 – 31 with notification regarding an offering being sent by June 30. Check out [The Krenov Foundation](#) online for information on applying to TKF Award for Professional Development.

### THREE NEW SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CR FINE WOODWORKING STUDENTS

#### II

The *David Welter 2nd Year Student Scholarship* for \$3000 will be awarded annually a student accepted for a second year in the CR Fine Woodworking Program.

#### III

The *Smith-Sorenson 1st Year Scholarship* for \$2500 will be awarded annually to a first year attendee of the CR Fine Woodworking Program.

#### IV

The *Smith-Sorenson 2nd Year Scholarship* for \$2500 will be awarded annually to a student accepted for a second year in the CR Fine Woodworking Program.

### ABOUT THOSE SCHOLARSHIP NAMESAKES

**D**avid Welter, Greg Smith, and Todd Sorenson, were caught completely unawares when told TKF titled these awards in their honor. The Scholarship Committee only recently announced these new awards and it is fitting to honor the three graduates who have continued to dedicate so much of their time and expertise to students each year.



David Welter attended Krenov's CR Fine Woodworking Program from 1982-1984. For over 30 years, David has worked at the school performing all the indispensable duties that keep students

and other staff moving forward — and then some. David has written many articles on

woodworking, continues to maintain his own woodshop not far from the school, and is a member of the Board of TKF.



**G**reg Smith, left, was a member of the 1992 & 1993 class of Krenov's CR Fine Woodworking Program. His many years of professional woodworking include experience in custom production shops, an artist-in-residency at the Appalachian Center for Crafts, while at the same time creating award-winning fine furniture.

Todd Sorenson, right, is a "reformed aerospace engineer" who was a member of classes 2001 and 2013. He maintains a full service cabinet shop and wood-working company, and continues to assist the Woodworking Program at College of the Redwoods during the Tools & Techniques and Projects courses taught during summer.

Both Smith and Sorenson are exceptional and tireless woodworkers who dedicate their time to teaching and encouraging others pursue the craft of fine woodworking.

### TKF RECEIVES \$5000 TO DEVELOP THE JK ARCHIVES!

**W**e have such good news to report — The Krenov Foundation was awarded a prestigious Community Enrichment Grant from The Community Foundation of Mendocino County!

This Community Enrichment Grant allows TKF to moved forward on our mission of developing an online archive of James Krenov's work, which we've scheduled to begin on August 1. Plus, as part of the grant application, TKF made a match commitment to the Community Foundation, which even furthers our goal of providing inspiration for future woodworkers, scholarship and general knowledge about the stature of James Krenov in the world of fine craft.



TKF board member David Welter thanks The Community Foundation of Mendocino during its Awards Reception on April 13, 2016.

The Krenov Foundation's mission is to continue the legacy of James Krenov, his values, approaches to woodworking, and teaching. The Krenov Foundation supports the art and craft of fine woodworking through scholarships, exhibitions, publications and an online archive of James Krenov's work. If you would like to help our Awards & Scholarship programs, or other activities, please contact TKF President at **[thekrenovfoundation@mcn.org](mailto:thekrenovfoundation@mcn.org)**.

## EVENTS & CALENDAR

EXHIBITS & OTHER EVENTS SUPPORTED BY TKF

I

### CR FINE WOODWORKING OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, May 5th, 5-7pm.  
440 Alger St., Fort Bragg, CA

#### **Briana Trujillo's *Hélice Dividido***

See the pieces in their birthplace, and meet their makers. Student pieces will be receiving their final finishing touches before heading to the Highlight Gallery in Mendocino the next morning.



II

### CR FINE WOODWORKING STUDENT SHOW AT HIGHLIGHT GALLERY

45094 Main St., Mendocino, CA  
Saturday, May 7th—Monday, May 30th  
Reception Saturday, May 7, 6-8PM

III

### HANDMADE/MINDMADE: UNCOMMON FURNITURE

CR Student Show Moves to The City for Design Week at CIIS's Desai/Matta Gallery  
1453 Mission, San Francisco, CA  
Thursday, June 2 — Friday, June 10.  
Reception June 2, 6-8PM

IV

### MENDOCINO COAST FURNITURE MAKERS

The 18th Annual Show at Oddfellows Hall  
Saturday, July 9 — Sunday, July 31  
Reception July 9, 5-8PM  
Kasten & Ukiah Streets  
Mendocino, CA 95460



Mendocino Coast Furniture  
Maker Member Les Cizik's  
*Bordello*