## TOOLS & MATERIALS LIST:

• Micro motor rotary power carver

One that I've found to be a good little work horse and won't break the bank is the Mastercarver Micro-Pro Champion <u>www.woodcarverssupply.com</u>. Another modestly priced unit that many of my students have used is the Ram Power 45 Micro-motor from <u>www.mdiwoodcarvers.com</u>

Contact me if you need help or have questions.

• Bring turned vessel or bowl that is dried and ready to carve. Bring several if you can. (see below for things to think about)

• Variety of carving burrs – Please bring the following burrs plus your favorites. These can be found at MDI Woodcarvers Supply <u>www.mdiwoodcarvers.com</u> 1-800-866-5728

stump cutter ( <b>you will need 2</b> )	#20-B5	\$8.25 ea.
mini stump cutters	# 21-SET36	\$5.25
and	# 21-SET39	\$5.25
Diamond cutter set	#17-20S	\$7.50
Saburr burr	# 37- 3FSM (fine)	\$14.50
Super Course Ruby	#15-SC05	\$10.50

- Wood burner, if you have one
- Safety glasses
- Dust mask
- Ear plugs
- Old toothbrush or paint brush for brushing away dust
- Task light is helpful
- If you need magnifiers for detail work, don't forget to bring those.
- Optional: Cushion to sit on. We'll be doing a lot of sitting.

## A few things to think about for the work you bring to carve on:

1. Thicker is better. I would recommend a wall thickness of around 3/8"".

2. Have something that is straight grained and rather plain. Cherry or maple would be good choices. You really don't want figure or color variations to compete with your carving. Select a wood with fairly tight grain, open grain can cause a bit of problem for students just starting out.

3. Please don't bring exotics because some in the class may be allergic.

4. You can bring most anything....bowls, vessels, or platters with a wide rim. Just give it a bit of thought about where you might like to carve. You might want to carve the whole thing or just leave a wide band that is thicker around the piece where you can do the carving. Size doesn't really matter; it just depends on how ambitious you are. You might want to start out with smaller pieces to get started.

5. The piece or pieces need to be fully dry for rotary power carving. Wet wood will gum up your carving burs.