

Biography

Born in Scranton, PA, attended Mansfield University for Art Education and received a Masters In Art Therapy from Marywood University. Currently resides in Nicholson, PA.

An elementary art teacher for 24 years, he has also created his own work while helping develop the next generation of artists. He has had his forging work, paintings, wood sculptures and wooden wares shown in various galleries.



When hurricane Sandy (2012) dropped multiple trees on his property he realized that he wanted to create something from the natural destruction. He decided to try making kitchenware.

As a self taught spoon carver, who has expanded his skills through carving festivals and folk art grants, which has let him work with some of the best carvers in the world, he continuously added new products and surface decoration to his carving repertoire.

Focusing on using only storm damaged wood, his studio and professional business name was Storm Spoons. He has continuously tried to improve his property through conservation practices and knows first hand how attached we become to trees we have nurtured. Customers would seek him out to have things created from trees that they had damaged.

He creates functional wares with a decorative component he branched out to spoons, spatulas, cutting boards, hand hewn bowls, and learned to turn bowls on a foot powered spring pole lathe. The decoration ideas come from his family's Folk Art background.

When the dust and wood fibers became a health issue for him he pivoted to pottery and is currently focused on throwing on the wheel.