

Mark Zimmerman, from Winchester, Virginia, is a woodturner who uses a lathe to create platters, natural-edged and traditional bowls, and vases from hardwoods like ash, cherry, and walnut. He often embellishes his pieces with colored dyes, acrylic paints, wood burnings and stained glass.

As Mark explains, "With each new log, I begin to unlock the unique grain patterns and features of the bowl or platter that I'm turning. You never know what you'll find."

A retired scientist, Mark is now Vice President of the Apple Valley Woodturners club in Winchester, Virginia, and a member of the American Association of Woodturners and the Shenandoah Arts Council.