

# **Rocky Mountain Woodturners Educational Opportunity Grant**

The purpose of this document is to describe the Rocky Mountain Woodturners Educational Opportunity Grant program. Rocky Mountain Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), located in Loveland, Colorado. Please visit the Rocky Mountain Woodturners (RMWT) web site at [www.rmwt.org](http://www.rmwt.org), and the AAW web site at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org). The RMWT meets on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Woodcraft Store in Loveland, Colorado.

Applications for an Educational Opportunity Grant (EOG) from the RMWT are available each year. Applicants may apply by completing the attached application form and submitting it to Rocky Mountain Woodturners. The RMWT's would like to assist you in your woodturning education. If you have a particular goal, workshop, or project in mind and desire financial help, we would like you to apply to this program.

In order to expand and share woodturning resources, RMWT has established a fund from which grants are awarded to individuals and organizations. The grants will cover expenses such as tuition, registration, demonstrator's fees, travel, lodging, and meals.

## **(1) Purpose of the Program**

- To allow RMWT members to benefit from their own fundraising efforts and generous support.
- To provide educational opportunities that expands and enriches the entire community.
- To provide ways that woodturning skills may be shared with RMWT members, seminars, schools, and friends.
- To allow persons outside the RMWT community to experience the benefits of woodturning.

## **(2) Eligibility**

Applicants must be a member or sponsored by a member of the RMWT. Recipients must submit a report to the EOG committee chairperson on their experiences within three months of their completion.

## **(3) Grant Committee**

RMWT shall establish a Grant Committee comprised of three members including a Chairperson and two others. The RMWT Board shall appoint the Chairperson.

The Grant Committee Chairperson shall select two additional committee members. The Grant Committee serves at the pleasure of the RMWT Board. The board may change the committee chairperson at any time.

The Grant Committee shall perform the following duties:

1. Review applications for Educational Opportunity Grants
2. Inform the board of all EOG applications
3. Make recommendations to the board, including recommending which grants should be approved, and for what dollar amount. Three (3) Grant committee members shall vote with the Four (4) board members on grant requests. Applicants must gain five/sevenths support of the board & EOG committee in order to be approved.
4. Awards will be considered based on benefit to the applicant, to the community, to RMWT, and application concept,. Emphasis will be placed on the ability, as well as the opportunity, of an applicant to share information gained. Clarity of the application is essential, applications will be judged on the thought and the written ideas presented. Applicants will be judged on the content of the application alone.
5. The Grant Committee chairperson shall follow-up with recipients of EOGs to insure projects are completed on a timely basis, and that recipients present their results at a meeting of the RMWT, and provide a written report, which can be included in the RMWT newsletter and/or be posted on the RMWT web site.
6. The Grant Committee may recommend an EOG be awarded in unusual circumstances (relief, short-notice need, gift, etc.) without the submission of an application.

#### **(4) Submitting an Application**

All applicants must complete the Rocky Mountain Woodturners Educational Opportunity Grant Application Form and submit it to:

EOG Chairperson

Rocky Mountain Woodturners

**Rocky Mountain Woodturners**  
**Educational Opportunity Grant**  
**Application Form**

Please provide clear and concise answers to the following questions:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Member or Sponsor name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ School affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

1. How would you use the educational grant?

2. How would you benefit from the grant?

3. How would the community benefit from your grant?

4. Please give an itemized budget of how you intend to use the grant.

TIPS ON USING THIS FORM:

- Type, print or write legibly, your answers to the questions.  
(If you download a copy from the RMWT website, you can download it in MSWord and type your answers right on the form, print and mail it to the RMWT.)
- Please do not submit CD's or notebooks full of supporting data or photos. The grants are rated by the content of the answers to the questions. They are considered on their own merit.
- Please answer the questions in a clear and concise manner. Include additional sheets, if necessary.
- Please provide the name that will appear on any award check
- Budget: It is OK for your budget to exceed the award amount.
- Applicants may apply for a grant to:
  - Attend a symposium, workshop, or school.
  - Enable a special project.
  - Cover teaching expenses.
  - Any other reasonable cause

Submit 2011 completed applications to EOG Chairman Melinda Wirsing by e-mail to [melinda.wirsing@gmail.com](mailto:melinda.wirsing@gmail.com). If you have questions regarding RMWT EOG grants, please contact Melinda, or anyone else on the EOG committee or RMWT Board.

The deadline for 2011 EOG grant applications is January 15, 2011.