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Tools & supplies students should bring:

Rotary power carver - My personal preference, for what I do, is a micro motor.

Couple suggestions are the Mastercarver Micro-Pro Champion, found at www.woodcarverssupply.com and the Ram 207A Micro Motor or Ram Power 45 found at www.mdiwoodcarvers.com. No need to get the foot control. If you are planning to bring a flex-shaft, such as Foredom, **please check your maximum rpms**. Some of the older ones only go up to 18,000 rpms. This **will** cause some problems. The majority of my carving is done in the 25,000 – 35,000 rpm range. Also, if you bring a flex-shaft I would recommend bringing a portable tool stand. **Be sure to have a 3/32" collet for your carver.**

- Contact me if you need help or have questions but I highly recommend going with the micro motor.

Carving Burrs – Please bring the following burrs plus your favorites. They can be found at MDI Woodcarvers Supply www.mdiwoodcarvers.com 1-800-866-5728

stump cutter (you will need 2)	#20-B5	\$8.25 ea.
mini stump cutters	# 21-SET36	\$5.25
and	# 21-SET39	\$5.25
Diamond cutter set	#17-20S	\$7.50
Typhoon/ Saburr bur	# 37- 3F1Y	\$12.95
Super Course Ruby	#15-SC05	\$10.50 (newly added)

Turned Disc - You should bring a turned dome shaped disc about 6"-7" in diameter. This must be dry wood not green. Cherry is preferred choice. Avoid woods with open grain or ones that may cause allergic reactions. You mainly want a nice tight grain wood with no figure. This will enable you to practice working on a curved surface, before attempting one of your turnings.



1 ¼" thick by about 6"-7" diameter dome shape disc works well. I make mine out of kiln dry board stock. (I may have some for purchase if you don't get around to making one)

Woodburner – If you have one

Also Bring: dust mask, ear plugs, old tooth brush and pencil & paper. If you need magnifiers for detail work, don't forget to bring those. A task light is very helpful, also, a cushion to sit on. It's a long day of sitting!