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Combining Woodburning and Painting with Relief Carving for Added Detail.

Tools & supplies students should bring:

1. Rotary power carver:

My personal preference, for what I do, is a micro motor. One suggestion is the Mastercarver Micro-Pro Champion, found at www.woodcarverssupply.com. Others are 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 about carvers.

2. Carving Burrs - can be found at:

MDI Woodcarvers Supply <u>www.mdiwoodcarvers.com</u> 1-800-866-5728 Mini stump cutters # 21-SET39 \$5.25

OR can be found at:

Wood Carvers Supply www.woodcarverssupply.com 1-800-284-6229 Mini stump burrs #216039 (Set of 6 Cone point) \$5.55

I'll be bringing small ball burrs (2mm) that can be purchased from me for \$1.50 ea.

- **3. Wood burner** with spear tip or skew tip hand piece. Some kind of loop or writing tip hand piece would also be handy. Contact me if you have questions.
- **4. Turned Disc** You should bring a turned dome shaped disc about 5" in diameter. Wood should be dry and have a nice tight grain. Cherry, maple or even poplar are good choices. I'll have some available for purchase if you don't get around to making one.





5. Also Bring: mask or respirator (if smoke bothers you), old tooth brush and a pencil. If you need magnifiers for detail work, don't forget to bring those. A task light is very helpful.

I'll be bringing the paints for class use.