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Shout Out: Two Krenov Foundation Awards

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Krenov Foundation Award Winner: *MJ Box* by Greg Zall. Photo credit, Tyler Chartier.

new Krenov Foundation, which recently initiated a \$500 award — The Krenov Foundation Award — for an outstanding piece of workmanship at this year's exhibit.

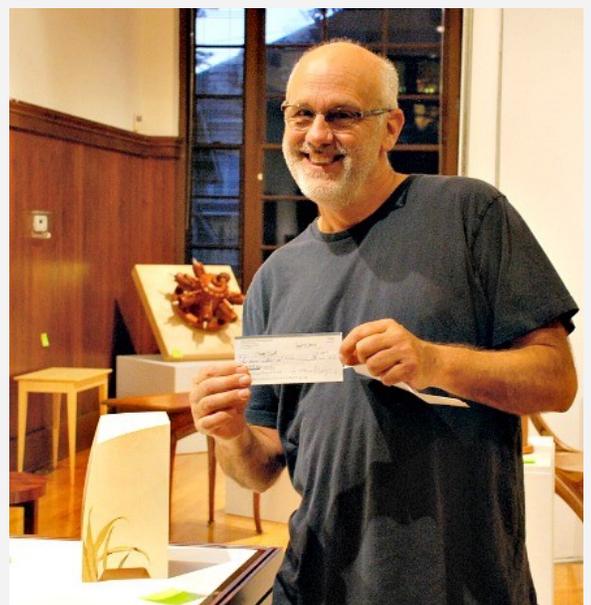
That's good news! What's even better is that The Krenov Foundation plans to make this award annually.

Petaluma, CA, woodworker Greg Zall, whose understated, gently animated *MJ Box* — with its wisps of marquetry gracefully encircling its exterior — beautifully manifests the award's criteria: a focus on

Each year — for the past 27 years — the Sonoma County Woodworkers Association in collaboration with the Sonoma County Museum mounts an annual exhibit entitled *Artistry in Wood*. Populated with piece after piece of some of the region's finest examples, *Artistry in Wood* is a woodworking bash of elegant proportions, celebrated with local wines — and beer.

This year's exhibit holds special significance for Ron at Hock Tools.

He is a member of the advisory board of the relatively



A smiling Greg Zall receives his \$500 award for *MJ Box* (left) amid the various beautiful exhibited pieces in this year's *Artistry in Wood* exhibit.

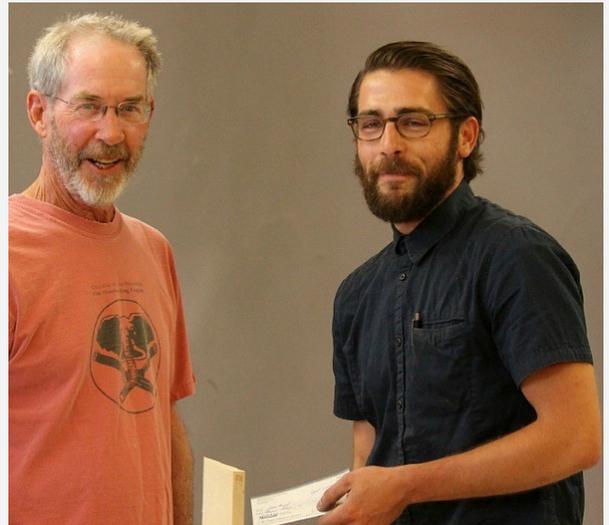
craftsmanship and attention to detail; sensitivity to material; and a modest and respectful interpretation of archetypes from the past.



2015 Krenov Foundation-SCWA judges from left: Laura Mays, Director of the College of the Redwoods Fine Furniture Program and President of The Krenov Foundation; master woodcarver Paul Reiber; and David Marks, well-known woodworker & educator, and host for many years of the TV show Wood Works.

The Foundation also awarded its second Jack Romine Scholarship to Justin Mrizak, a current first year student at the College of the Redwoods Fine Furniture Program. The Jack Romine Scholarship was donated by a Mendocino Coast local in honor of Jack Romine, a skilled amateur woodworker who greatly admired fine craftsmanship and the beauty of wood.

The Krenov Foundation is a unique type of organization intent on preserving the legacy, values, approaches to woodworking, and the teachings of master cabinetmaker James Krenov. One of only a few non-profits dedicated to fine woodworking, the Foundation actively supports the art and craft of woodworking through scholarships and awards, exhibitions, publications, and an online archive of Krenov's work.



The Krenov Foundation Scholarship Committee President Michael Burns, left, and 2015 Jack Romine Scholarship recipient Justin Mrizak.

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