

'Fireside' Artist talks in Carp

West Carleton Arts Society Members free, Guests \$5

Wednesday April 18, 2018 7:00 pm

St Paul's United Church, 3760 Carp Road
parking and entrance at the back

Jim Lawrence, Wood sculptor

Jim grew up in Nova Scotia and has made Ottawa his home for the past 45 years. As a young man he loved science, but also enjoyed practical, hands-on subjects like wood working and metal work. Although environmental chemistry became his profession, he was never far from the arts. While studying at Dalhousie University, he took evening courses in painting at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. After graduation, he moved to Ottawa and continued to take evening courses in painting. In recent years, he has returned to working with wood.

He enjoys exploring a variety of subjects in realistic and semi-abstract ways. Much of the subject matter relates to man and his complex relationship with nature and the universe. He also enjoys sculpting common place things such as gloves, hats, neckties, etc. to give them some importance. Jim likes to challenge the observer with his work.

Jim is a member of the Outaouais Wood Carvers Club and on the Board of Directors of the National Capital Network of Sculptors. He has taught wood sculpture at the Ottawa School of Art. He has received a number of awards for his work including Best in Show at the 2013 and 2017 Annual Ottawa Wood Carving Competition.



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