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Introduction

The idea was simple: get a group of creative people together for three days of collaborating to make objects of art, have a banquet at the end, and auction off all the art work to fund future conferences. We never expected to make a profit, but each Echo Lake has routinely ended in the black. As a result, funds have been used to purchase machinery and tools for the woodworking and sculpture areas at Bucks County Community College, cash prizes have been awarded to deserving art students, and we've paid for this exhibition and catalogue.

It's hard to believe that we held our twentieth conference in 2018. Echo Lake started out as a local experiment reinterpreting the international Emma Lake Conference that began in Saskatchewan, Canada in 1996. It has become a much larger event that has included artists from all over the world while keeping to its local flavor and continues to include students, staff, and faculty from BCCC, where the event has taken place for most of those years. A dedicated organizing committee with an ability to select participants who work well in this sort of setting has made it a successful and much anticipated yearly experience for many. To date there have been over 250 different participants from 17 countries!

Having two or more artists conceptualize and create artwork in a short period of time is by no means a recipe for success, but often what materializes is the result of a kind of creative tangent that no one involved would have anticipated and that's what creates the excitement. Many participants leave Echo with an interest in trying something new or continuing to collaborate long after the conference concludes.

It is useful to know artists who have participated in the making of the objects in this exhibition as well as the stories of how the pieces evolved through the process of making them, and where this experience has altered the course of an artist's direction. But even if you are not aware of any of that, it is our hope that you enjoy an exhibition that is based on a very different approach to creativity and making.

Here is a list of active collaborative art conferences. It is truly a global phenomenon.

Emma Lake (Saskatchewan Canada) CollaboratioNZ (Whangerai, NZ) Echo Lake (Newtown, PA) Collaboration Australia Hawkes Bay Turning Collab. (NZ) Collaboration Western Australia Hawaii Artist Collaborative (Big Island, HI) French Collaboration Frogwood (Portland, OR) Kollaboration, (Kamoursska Quebec, Canada) Biennial 1996-present Biennial 1998-present Annual 1999- present Biennial 2000-present 2006-present 2009-present Biennial 2011-present Biennial 2013-present Annual 2013-present

Mach Spin

Mark Sfirri

Echo Lake 1 - 1999



Urchin Lamp Krick, W. Smith From the Collection of Joe Seltzer





Left: Hardy's Castle Dodge, Hardy From the Collection of Lynn and Bill Smith

Right: *Brolly's Lamp* M. Brolly, L. Brolly, Hardy, W. Smith, Tuttle, Verchot, White From the Fleur Bresler Collection



Echo Lake II - 2000



Right: Small Carved Goblet Buchner, M. Kehs, Krick From the Collection of Joe Seltzer

Left: *Mobile* Echo Lake II Participants From the Collection of Joe Seltzer







Top: Carved Piece with Spiral Neff, Wall From the Collection of William Sticker Bottom: Suspended Bowl Manix, Stang From the John and Patricia Williams' Collection

Echo Lake III - 2001



Bottles Hosaluk, Scarpino, Sfirri From the Collections of Kim Kelzer, Albert and Tina LeCoff, David Souza, and the John and Patricia Williams' Collection



Bowl with Milk Paint Hardy, Lancaster, Scarpino From the Collection of Mike Tanner





Above: Hosaluk Style Table Buchner, Hardy, M. Hosaluk, Tanner, White From the Collection of

Greg and Regina Rhoa

Left: Stool of Sausage and Cheese Delhoun, Dodge, Escoulen, Preston, Sfirri

From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff

Echo Lake IV - 2002



Candlesticks Hardy, Sfirri From the Collection of Greg and Regina Rhoa Top: Twisted Wire and Sphere M. Hosaluk, Mathews, Tanner, White

From the Collection of Eli Scearce



Bottom: Round Table and Chairs Echo Lake IV Participants From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff



Echo Lake V - 2003



Left and Detail: *Emerging Vessel* Buchner, Seltzer From the Collection of William Sticker

Right: Twisted Sphere Table Buchner, Mathews, W. Smith, Tanner, Williams From the Collection of Tom and Diane Buchner









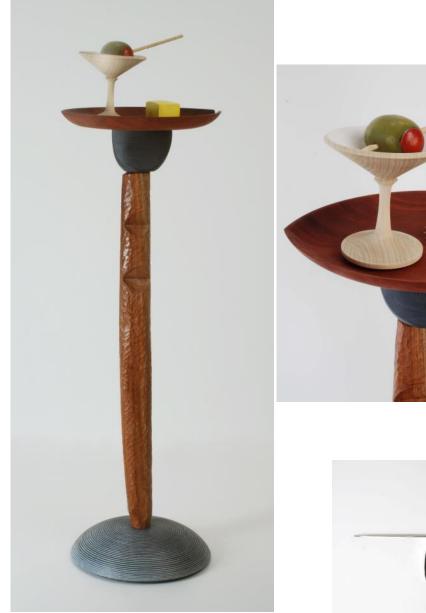


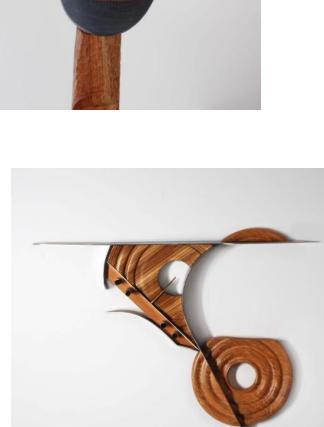
Bottom Left: Hollow Form with Windows Gall, Krick From the Collection of William Sticker Top Left: Eli and Jean-Francois Box Avisera, Escoulen From the Collection of Joe Seltzer

Top Right: *Hanging Sphere* M. Kehs, Sticker From the John and Patricia Williams Collection

Bottom Right: Can't Judge a Book by Its Cover Dodge, Escoulen, M. Kehs, Krick, Seltzer, Sticker From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff

Echo Lake VI - 2004

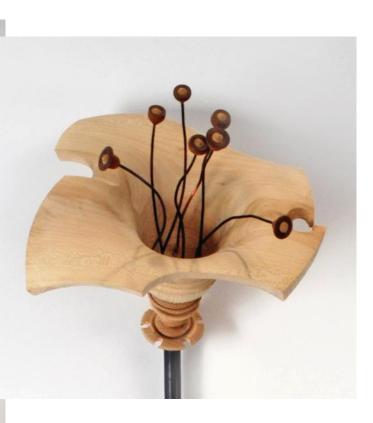




Left and Detail: *Table with Martini* Forsyth, Hagen, Potocnik, M. Saylan, Sfirri From the Collection of Phyllis and Sidney Bresler

Bottom Left: *Wood and Metal Wall Piece* Burns, Faunce, Mathews, Rodgers, W. Smith From the Collection of John Mathews

Left: Electrified Flower Burns Geisenhaner Macha Tattan



Left: Electrified Flower Burns, Geisenhoner, Mocho, Tatton From the Collection of Maureen McCreadie and Rich Clikeman

Right: *Castle on Burl Top* Hardy, Neff, Seltzer, Sfirri, W. Smith, Souza, Doug Weidman From the Collection of Jim Byrne and Judith Rodwin



Echo Lake VII - 2005





Left and Detail: *Fish Eating Fish* Kagan, M. Kehs, E. Ryan, Sengel, W. Smith, Sticker From the Collection of Jeremy and Shannon Sticker

Right: Table with Wood Screw Byrne, Dubinsky, Mathews, Rodgers From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff





Small Carved Goblet M. Kehs, Derek Weidman From the Collection of Joe Seltzer

Echo Lake VIII - 2006



Top Left: Wall Piece by 32 Artists Echo Lake VIII Participants From the Collection of Kenneth and Peggy Hume Hudson





Top Right: *Joe Seltzer Award* Sfirri, Stevens From the Collection of Joe Seltzer

Bottom Right: *Bil Sticker Award* McCullough, Pho, Sfirri, Derek Weidman From the Collection of William Sticker





Top Left: Textured Box with Red Carved Finial Hohlfeld, Pho, Derek Weidman, Williams From the Collection of Kim and Mike Kagan

Bottom Left: *Gas Pump Instrument* Faunce, Lott, Pfeifer, Sfirri From the John and Patricia Williams' Collection





Top Right: White Box with Carved Finial Buchner, Byrne, Hohlfeld, Doug Weidman, Yakonick From the Collection of Roberta Mayer and George Wagner

Bottom Right: Figure on Sphere Finkle, Hibbert, Sfirri From the Collection of John Mathews

Echo Lake IX - 2007



Left: Derek's Carving of a Face Vesery, Derek Weidman From the Collection of Jim Byrne and Judith Rodwin

Right: Bowl on Turned Sections Buchner, M. Kehs, McCullough, Seltzer, Van Gehuchten From the Collection of Kim and Mike Kagan





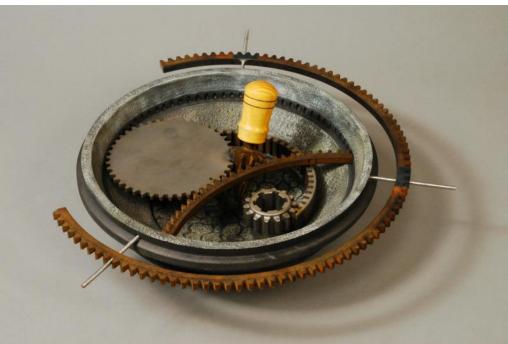
Table on Claw Feet Burns, Faunce, Kagan, M. Kehs, W. Smith, Sticker From the Collection of William Sticker

Echo Lake X - 2008

Right: Tall Wood, Metal, and Glass Sculpture Publick, Rodgers, W. Smith, Sticker, Van Gehuchten From the Collection of John Mathews

Bottom: *Gears* Basil, Faunce, Kagan, Mathews, Publick, Seltzer, W. Smith From the Collection of Albert an Tina LeCoff







Glass Table with Car Part Manns, McDevitt From the Collection of Phyllis and Sidney Bresler



Echo Lake XI - 2009



Checkered Vessel Basil, W. Smith From the Collection of William Sticker





Top: *Kissing Spoons* Mocho, Sartorius, Van Gehuchten From the Collection of Joe Seltzer

Bottom: Inferno Blanc, Hohlfeld, Mocho, Zander From the Collection of John Mathews

Echo Lake XII - 2010



Sunshine in the Garden J. Hill, P. Hill, Pho From the Collection of Jeff Bernstein and Judy Chernoff



Water Chantry, Pho, Publick, Rogahn, Sander, Thompson, Zobel From the Collection of John Mathews



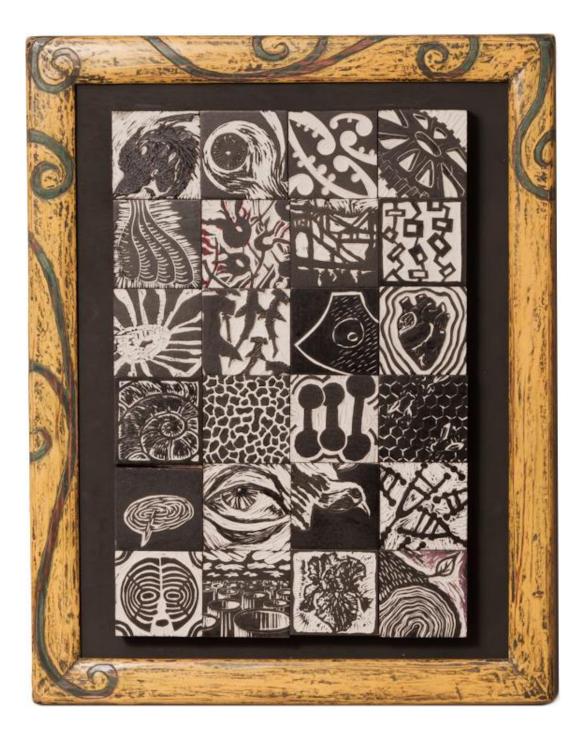
Cantilevered Triangle Hauser, Tanner, Turi, Zobel From the Collection of Phyllis and Sidney Bresler

Echo Lake XIII - 2011



Right: New Zealand Sunrise Burns, Priddle, Rodgers, Rourke From the Collection of William Sticker Left: The Twinkle Table Ireland, Mocho, Van Gehuchten, Winkle From the Collection of Jeremy and Shannon Sticker





Mounted Lino-cut Blocks

Buchner, Carpenter, Davis, de Forest, Higgins, Holt, Kelle, Komenda, McDevitt, Mocho, Priddle, Reichard, Scicchitani, Sfirri, J. Smith, Stevens, Sticker, Turi, Van Gehuchten, Winkle, Woods, Zobel From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff

Echo XIV - 2012



Left: From Deep In Echo Lake Hohlfeld, McCullough, Turi From the Collection of Bud Hohlfeld

Right: Vitruvian Man 2012 Buchner, Rogahn, W. Smith, Turi From the Collection of Jeremy and Shannon Sticker



Top: Shield Of Life DiPietro, Ireland, Kelle From the Collection of Daniel and Stephanie Ostrov

Bottom: 24 Framed Lino-cut Blocks Annels, Buchner, Carpenter, Copeland, Fein, Finkle, Furqueron, Hallett, Ireland, Lyon, Mathews, Mattia, Ostrov, Rein, Rogahn, Scicchitani, Sfirri, J. Smith, Sowden, Stevens, Sticker, Turi, Woods, Zobel From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff





Echo Lake XV - 2013



Right: *Looking Good* McNabb, Sticker, Van Gehuchten From the Fleur Bresler Collection

Left: Dragon Buchner, Carpenter, Geisenhoner, Lyon, Derek Weidman, Zobel From the Collection of Deb Weidman-Phillips





Top: Digital Landscapes Burns, Ireland, McNabb, Tanner From the Collection of Joe Seltzer

Bottom: *Cave Paintings* Kehs, Sartorius, Sfirri From the Fleur Bresler Collection







24 Framed Blocks From Printing Project Buchner, Chalik, Comisky, Copeland, Finkle, Gall, Gardner, Gehman, Greb, Hansuld, Ireland, Johnson, Kobayashi, Kridenoff, Mathews, Scarpino, Scicchitani, Sfirri, Shanblatt, Stevens, Sticker, Taylor, Turi, Winkle, Zobel From the Collection of Albert and Tina LeCoff





Top: *Cyclops* Chalik, Kridenoff, Mathews, Rogahn, Turi, Zobel From the Collection of Jeremy and Shannon Sticker

Bottom: *Hosaluk - Nado* M. Hosaluk, Priddle, J. Smith, Sticker, Turi, Van Gehuchten, Winkle

From the Collection of Phyllis and Sidney Bresler

Echo Lake XVII - 2015



Sweet Dreams Manesa-Burloiu, Sartorius From the Fleur Bresler Collection





Santa Fe Chalik, Overton From the Collection of Maureen Gerber



Top: A Song from the Wild Burns, Chalik, Harrison, Kalehoff, Mathews, McCullough From the Collection of John Mathews

Bottom: The Insect Collection Buchner, Doughtie, M. Kehs, Kramer, Mathews, McDevitt, Pastelaniec, Publick, Rogahn, Seltzer, Sherry, Derek Weidman From the Collection of Ed Bresler



Echo Lake XVIII - 2016



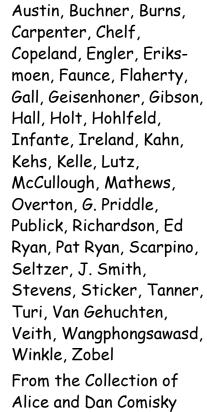


Left: Ripped DiPietro, McDevitt, Richardson, Zobel From the Collection of Burns and Renata Austin

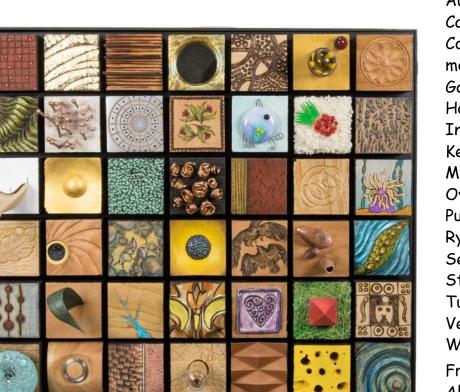


Above and Detail: And It's Sturdy, Too Burns, Faunce, Kelle, Publick, Seltzer, Tanner

From the Collection of Jeremy and Shannon Sticker Under Echo Lake Burns, Hall, McDevitt, G. Priddle, Publick, Richardson, Derek Weidman, Zobel From the Collection of Deb Weidman-Phillips



Voices of Echo







Echo Lake XIX - 2017



Top: Iron Stampede Agar, McDevitt, Derek Weidman From the Collection John Mathews

Bottom: Foggy Mountain Nervous Breakdown II Henderson, Ireland, McDevitt, Wilbur, Winkle From the Collection of Suzanne Bonsall Kahn



Top Right: Separation Anxiety Burns, Carpenter, Cortez, Engler, Lutz, Mathews, M. Veith From the Collection of Phyllis and Sidney Bresler

Bottom: *Ball Joint* Agar, Brosi, Kagan, G. Priddle From the Collection of Joe Seltzer





Echo Lake XX - 2018



Harmony

Carpenter, Engler, Gibson, Hall, M. Kehs, Mocho, G. Priddle, Seltzer, M. Veith, Doug Weidman, Williams, Zobel

From the Collection of Bud Hohlfeld

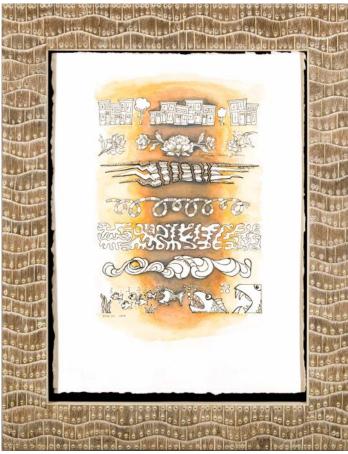




Graeme's Boat People Carpenter, Castaldo, Chalik, Engler, Garcia, L. Hosaluk, M. Hosaluk, G. Priddle, Sfirri

From the Fleur Bresler Collection





Top and Detail: *In Bloom* Burns, Gibson, Hall, Tanner, Zobel From the Collection of Dan Zobel

Bottom: Orange Engler, Flaherty, Garcia, Gibson, M. Hosaluk, Kehs, G. Priddle, Serratore, Sfirri, Stevens

From the Collection of Jeremy and Shannon Sticker

The Echo Lake Artists

Artists participating in one or more conferences 1999-2018.

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Echo Lake Collaborative is still an annual event after twenty years because of the vision, hard work, and perseverance of its founding members: Bil Sticker, Mark Sfirri and Dave Hardy. Dave Hardy came up with the idea and held it at his house in Hilltown, Pennsylvania for the first several years before it moved to Bucks County Community College in Newtown, Pennsylvania. Mark Sfirri drew in artists with his connections in the arts, housed and fed visitors, thereby establishing a foundation of community and creativity. Bil Sticker, a long time supporter of wood art in the Philadelphia area, supplied his organizational and financial skills to the endeavor every year since its inception. He also enlisted his family. Bil's wife, Kathleen, whom we so fondly remember, pitched in to help with the banquet and auction, while his son, Jeremy Sticker, along with his wife Shannon and daughter Amber, have been the administrative and packaging works behind the auction every year. Jeremy has contributed his professional skills and equipment, to keep the auctions running smoothly since the beginning.

For the bulk of the 20 years of operation, the steering committee consisted of Bil Sticker, Mark Sfirri, John Mathews, Bill Smith, Joe Seltzer. In 2015 Ward Stevens took over the catalog and media duties Bill Smith pioneered, and more recently Matt Overton, Barb Serratore and Tom Buchner joined the committee. The countless hours of collaboration of this group to plan, organize, communicate and procure has led to a conference event of focus, fun, and creativity each year.

The Collaboration is indebted to Bucks County Community College, its faculty, staff and selected students for hosting and participating in the event. Over these years there have been more than 250 participants, including many members of The Bucks Woodturners, our local American Association of Woodturners group and 70 visiting members of the International Turners Exchange.

The Committee also wishes to thank New Hope Arts for hosting our celebration and helping with its planning and orchestration. Carol Cruickshanks has been invaluable in guiding us through the process, and making sure everything came together at the Center. She and her staff have been most helpful in putting together the exhibition.

The Steering Committee

Tom Buchner, John Mathews, Mark Overton, Joe Seltzer, Barb Serratore, Mark Sfirri, Ward Stevens, and Bil Sticker



























































