

Steve Sergev – Artist's Statement

I love the organic nature and beauty of wood. Wood has color, grain, texture and even scent. No two pieces are alike. In my bowls I discover the color and swirling grain that a tree has developed in its years of growth. (I make my bowls from trees that have been freshly cut but I never cut a tree to make a bowl.) I want to create a piece that is both touchable and usable. I want its shape and heft felt and I want it to perform a function.

Designs in other work derive from my career as an engineer: shapes are geometric or mathematical. I enjoy the challenge of developing methods to express the shapes in interesting and useful ways. Again, I want to create a piece that asks to be touched and examined.