

## 1. Getting to Know the Wood Burning Tool

Friday, 9/15/17 9 am to 1 pm

Cost: \$45 maximum: 15 students

Skews, knives, balls, spears, loops, shaders, spooners, standard or replacement pens, gliding on and off, tight circles, a strop and aluminum oxide use....dazed by the vocabulary and choices? Join me and I will reveal the mystery behind the tools and techniques of wood burning on a gourd. You will learn what to do with every tip you own! All questions - "dumb" and otherwise - will be addressed because I have already made all the mistakes!

Learn outlining and shading techniques, plus safety and maintenance guidelines. If you are a beginner or a practiced pyrographer, I have some tips you can use with any coloring media. I have used them all and will share my techniques. We will practice on paper, then shards, until you are ready to wood burn the pattern on your shard pendant. Every person who has taken this class has said it was one of the most informative classes they have taken and they can't wait to try my technique at home.

### Materials to Bring

1. Wood burner and all pen and tips you own
2. Safety glasses and dusk mask
3. Inks and dyes and any coloring media you like to use
4. Sketch paper and pencil with eraser
5. A length of cord or a silver chain for your pendant

I will bring my burning tool and several tips and pens for you to try. I will bring plenty of clean medium to large shards (but you are welcome to bring some if you have them) to practice on. I will provide the shard pendant and samples of the coloring media I use. There will be a long handout, so no intense note keeping will be necessary. I will bring some of my pieces for purchase by check or cash. Let's talk wood burning and get beyond the two tips you know. [bettielake@gmail.com](mailto:bettielake@gmail.com)

