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## **Starting a Bear - Animal Chair, the Gala and some news November, 2014**

**Dear Friend,**

It's a month already since the Furniture Masters Gala. For those of you who were there, it was great to see you. For those who were not, we missed you..

Photos of the Gala can be seen at: [\[click here\]](#)

The article in the Herald in which I was interviewed [\[click here\]](#)

The follow up article in the Herald can be seen at: [\[click here\]](#)

For those in and about Portsmouth, November 20 is a tour of West End Studios, several open house events on upper Islington Street. I'm planning to bring Ants Totem, and Fragrant Flow to Bill Truslow's Photography studio for the evening. Do stop by. More infor on Third Thursdays [\[click here\]](#)

### **New Animal Chairs**

Over the summer, at the Gallery at Somes Sound, Tyra had great success with my animal chairs. Thus I am making more to be ready when she reopens in the Spring. Here are some work in progress photos of a bear chair I am making in some old pine I have saved. Two photos show the parts in clamps, being blocked up. The second two show the chair ready to be carved, still missing a block for the tail. At this stage I always have to remember that I am making a kids chair carved like a bear, not aa real sculpture of a bear. A nuanced difference to be sure, but important.





I am also planning to make a bronco from walnut, and hopefully a couple more and another table, plus a giraffe lamp, time allowing.

To see photos of finished animal chairs look in the gallery page of my website, some under Home and some in the Public Art sections. [\[click here\]](#)

BTW, the Gallery at Somes Sound is launching a new collaborative venture with Pritam and Eames. Congratulations and best wishes on your new venture, Tyra. More info on that [\[click here\]](#)

#### Delivered the Benches

I apologize that these photos aren't very good. I should have taken them in the yard. but I am planning to go back in the Spring when the garden is in bloom to get a better photo. I'm also planning to go back to get better onsite photos of the table in last month's newsletter



#### Other news

In other news, I have an upcoming project making the reinternment coffins

for the African Burial Ground park here in Portsmouth. More on that next time, or [\[click here\]](#) to learn more about the planned memorial.

And I've been nominated to be the next Chairman of the NH Furniture Masters for the next two years. We've already started planning for next years events, and we hope to see you there.

Best

*Jeffrey*

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