BEFORE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER
COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AND
PUBLIC NEED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION
OWNERSHIP, OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE OF THE PROPOSED 345
KV TRANSMISSION LINE BETWEEN THE
SHIPE ROAD STATION AND THE
PROPOSED KINGS RIVER STATION AND
ASSOCIATED FACILITIES TO BE
LOCATED IN BENTON, CARROLL
AND/OR MADISON AND WASHINGTON
COUNTIES, ARKANSAS

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1 Q. Please state your name title and place of residence

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1 My name is Doug Stowe, or to be more formal, Douglas R. Stowe, Jr. 2 I live at 412 Sandrock Road, just outside the city limits of Eureka Springs, 72632 3 4 Q. How long you have lived in Eureka Springs 5 6 A. Since the fall of 1975, almost 38 years 7 8 Q. What are your experience and qualifications regarding the arts? 9 10 A. I have attached my resume. 11 12 I moved to Eureka Springs as a studio potter and soon thereafter adopted 13 woodworking as my primary art form. I became friends with many of the great 14 predecessors in the arts here, including Tommy Thomas, Louis and Elsie Freund, Ely De 15 Vescovi, Glenn Gant, and many more. I found myself a part of a growing arts community that had roots going back into the 19th century. I've kept active in the arts by participating 16 17 in local craft shows and serving on the Eureka Springs Arts Council. 18 19 In 1976 I was one of the founders of the Eureka Springs Guild of Artists and 20 Craftspeople and was the organization's first president. I served again as president in the 21 late 1990's during the time in which the organization was brought to a close and we used

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its remaining resources to form the Eureka Springs School of the Arts, ESSA, which was

2 formally organized in 1998. 3 4 As a self-employed woodworker I spent years developing my skills and marketing my work and at one time had 30 galleries selling it throughout the US. I was one of 5 6 dozens of Eureka Springs professional artists producing works for a regional and national 7 market. In 1995 I began writing for publication in woodworking magazines, and began 8 writing books for the woodworking market. Between then and now, I've completed seven 9 books, 3 DVDs and published over 60 articles in woodworking magazines in the US and 10 the UK. 11 I am currently working on my 8th book. During the fall, winter and spring months, 12 13 I teach woodworking grades 1-12 in an independent school. My program, Wisdom of the 14 Hands is one I started in 2001 to integrate woodworking as an activity to promote hands-15 on learning in all subject areas. With regard to that I often lecture for educational 16 conferences related to hands-on learning and the arts, and have presented at two 17 international conferences for arts education. During the summer months and on 18 occasional weekends, I teach adult woodworking at various craft schools, and for 19 woodworking clubs throughout the US. 20 21 In addition, my work is sold through 4 galleries in Arkansas including the Crystal 22 Bridges Museum Gift Store, and the Historic Arkansas Museum and is also sold at

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1 Appalachian Spring Galleries in Washington, DC. I serve on the Board of the 2 aforementioned Eureka Springs School of the Arts and was one of three founding board 3 members. 4 5 In 2009 I was named an Arkansas Living Treasure by the Arkansas Department of 6 Heritage and Arkansas Arts Council for my involvement in woodworking and the 7 advancement of crafts. 8 9 Q. Why did you choose Eureka Springs as a place to live? 10 11 I moved To Eureka Springs in 1975 drawn by the scenic beauty, the abundant A. 12 hardwoods, the pristine ecosystem, the quaint galleries, and the wonderful outdoor 13 recreation opportunities this place offers. The town was like no other place I'd visited in 14 my life. I soon discovered Eureka Springs to be a place in which artists and craftsmen 15 were encouraged in their work by a strong network of elders and peers. 16 17 Q. How is the natural beauty of the area affecting you in your work as an artist? 18 19 As a woodworker, much of the inspiration for my work is drawn from the forests A. 20 that surround my home, and that serve as a buffer toward the harsher realities of modern 21 life. My wife and I live on 11 acres that we regard as land held in preserve and in trust for 22 future generations. I work almost exclusively with woods from Arkansas, as EXPERT TESTIMONY OF DOUG STOWE

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1 woodworking with beautiful woods is a way I can make known the beauty and value of

2 our native species. I sign the boxes and furniture that I make, not only with my name, but

also with the names of the species that have been used, as I regard the woods as being

given voice in the creative process through my work and careful craftsmanship.

5 I can clearly remember the day friends helped me move into my current home and wood

shop. As we stepped out of our trucks carrying my tools and equipment I heard the cry of

two hawks circling overhead. We all looked up and watched having received such a

strong confirmation that I had arrived with my tools and my work to just the right place.

9 My office and wood shop windows look out on the forest that would be destroyed if

SWEPCO and the APSC were to choose route 91, and I can hardly express the turmoil

that prospect would cause to my creative life.

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Each of the windows in my shop and finish room are arranged so that when I look

up from my work, I look to the forest for inspiration upon which my work depends.

I know that artists can work under the worst of circumstances, and will find ways to

proceed with their translations of physical and cultural realities despite what other folks

choose to do to the natural environment. But artists serve as canaries in a coal mine. We

tend to be more sensitive and more quickly disturbed when massive disruptions take

place in the visual realm. Folks come to Eureka Springs in part because they hope to find

something more than concrete and power lines. And those of us who've come to love this

place, take very seriously our responsibility to preserve it for others to enjoy long after

we're gone.

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2 We were not the first to feel this way about this place. Louis Freund was an early 3 friend of mine here in Eureka Springs. He and his wife Elsie purchased the old Carrie 4 Nations home and founded the first Eureka Springs Summer School of the Arts. Louis 5 was also the tireless driving force for our entire city of Eureka Springs being put on the 6 national Historic register and his work as a social activist led to the founding of our 7 historic district, protecting the architectural integrity and beauty of Eureka Springs. Elsie 8 Freund and I worked with the Guild of Artists and Craftspeople education committee 9 planning programs to enhance learning opportunities for local artists. 10 11 Q. Do you know other artists who choose to live and work in Eureka Springs 12 because of its natural beauty? 13 14 A. I can give a long list of artists I know personally and each can tell the same thing. 15 Beauty of the natural environment is the first hook connecting us to Eureka Springs.

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First, and as I mentioned, Louis Freund was well known as an advocate for the protection of our city's visual resources. His friend, famous Arkansas writer, John Gould Fletcher, had written to him in the 1940s, "not much happening in Eureka, but it sure is laid out pretty." Even before that, when the city was founded, spring preservations were established to protect our city's springs in perpetuity, considering the quality of water, but also the protection of their scenic beauty. Nearly every day of the spring and summer visitors will find artists set up with easels and watercolors, sketching the beauty of this

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1 place. Plein Air painting where students and professionals join in outdoor painting

2 exercises is one of the favorite activities at the Eureka Springs School of the Arts.

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Q. What types of artists or art institutions and establishments are present in

5 Eureka Springs and surrounding areas?

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A. In addition to the Eureka Springs School of the Arts, our neighboring community

8 of Holiday Island has an art guild, painting competitions and an active group of amateur

and semi-professional artists. In the City of Eureka Springs, we celebrate May Fine Arts

Month and have an active Eureka Springs Arts Council with participation of the Mayor,

city government, the chamber of commerce and tourist promotion commission in addition

to an appointed group of active professional artists and gallery owners. We have dozens of

galleries, and gift stores specializing in the arts, some of which specialize in locally

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In 1998, following years of planning by the Eureka Springs Guild of Artists and

Craftspeople, two friends and I founded the Eureka Springs School of the Arts to offer

weeklong classes to adults and children in various forms of artistic expression. The

location of the school near Inspiration Point in Eureka Springs was chosen because of its

beautiful setting. The school is between two of the proposed routes. These routes may or

may not be visible from school, but they will impact the overall impression as one arrives

on campus. The school currently serves about 250 part time students per year, 58% of

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1 whom come from outside the local area. We recently purchased 60 adjoining acres for

expansion and have new studios under construction. The president of our ESSA board

noted the following in regard to SWEPCO's plan: "The proposed routes by SWEPCO

4 would also adversely affect part of a beautiful horizon that draws millions of tourists to

5 Eureka Springs and the surrounding area. Such a landscape-altering project would have a

distressing effect on the regional economy and our School's viability. Tourists, some of

whom are our students, generate vital revenue that allows the School to be able to serve

the public. " i

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In November 2011, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art opened in Bentonville, AR, founded by Alice Walton, heir to the founder of Walmart. It is a 1.6 billion dollar venture and has from the outset sought a relationship with Eureka Springs as its partner in regional promotion of the arts in Northwest Arkansas. I was personally involved early at the start of the museum's construction following a conversation with Alice Walton when we were introduced at a local arts and craft fair. She asked me to serve as a consultant in the processing and use of the timber harvested from the site. I helped the museum director in that task and was invited to make a bench for the museum from walnut that is on display in the administrative office of the museum. In September of 2012, I was asked to make boxes for the first year staff from woods harvested from the museum site. When those 300+ boxes were completed, Alice Walton asked me to make another 500 boxes for the first year volunteers.

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1 All of the artists in Eureka Springs are excited about the promising future of the 2 arts in the region that the presence of this major museum offers, and most particularly 3 about potential collaboration with the museum on projects of importance to the arts. If 4 anything, the presence of this new museum will increase, rather than decrease, the 5 economic importance of the arts for Eureka Springs. 6 7 Q. What is the economic importance of the arts for this area? 8 9 Zeek Taylor who manages the Eureka Springs Artist Registry estimates the A. 10 number of visual artists at over 200, which is almost 10 percent of the city's population, and the number doesn't include other types of artists. ii 11 12 13 Eureka Springs ranked number 8 in the 2012 American Style survey of the Top 25 14 Arts Destinations (small city category, under 100,000). Eureka Springs whose population hovers around 2,000 is one of the smallest cities on the list. iii 15 16 17 In 2013, Art Place listed Eureka Springs as one of the top 12 small town art places of America. iv 18 19 20 Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism Director Richard Davies, on behalf of 21 the Arkansas State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission (SPRTC), submitted the

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1 following statements to the Public Service Commission on May 29, 2013 regarding the

proposed 345 kV powerline going through Eureka Springs: v

Public Service Commission's consideration of these concerns."

"I think it was the SPRTC's desire that the Public Service Commission rigorously examine the need for this project at all, and if it is necessary, then to insist on a route that would have the least impact on scenic, natural and historic resources in the area. The route going through the middle of Eureka Springs presented as an option is almost beyond comprehension." "The scenic quality of Arkansas, and especially the area this line would cross, is the number one reason people visit our state, spending \$5.7 billion last year. Many of our citizens have moved to these scenic areas to avoid just this sort of intrusion. The State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission would appreciate the

There are two primary industries in Eureka Springs, the arts, and tourism, and if you've read any studies you know that arts and tourism are deeply entwined. The West Virginia Craft Study 2003, explaining the economic impact of craft noted the following: "There is also a very strong linkage between crafts and tourism. Recent studies indicated that thousands of individuals come to craft communities or destinations each year. This includes artists, instructors, students, collectors and craft enthusiasts as well as traditional tourists. The constituents of each group contribute to the local economy in a variety of ways from the local purchase of arts, crafts and supplies to the purchase of retail items,

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1 gasoline, groceries, food and lodging. It appears that crafts can be a major travel

attraction that generates tourism and overall economic development." (p. 2) vi 2

3 In addition to the arts and crafts sold through local galleries many of the artists are

involved in regional and national sales through travel to craft shows. They bring money

5 home to spend in the local economy. A typical artist may make as little as 10-15 % in

6 local sales with the balance of his or her income derived from out of area sales, wholesale

7 to galleries, direct to customers, through craft show sales or over the internet.

8 The arts culture of Eureka Springs draws new artists each year, and for every new artist,

9 there seem to be more who want to move here. I don't have statistics on this

10 phenomenon. People inclined to participate in the arts recognize the beauty of the area

11 and are inspired to move here to become more deeply involved in the arts. And this is a

thing that I've been able to observe during my 38 years as a participant in the artist

13 community of Eureka Springs.

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Q. How would your work as an artist, and the work of other artists in this area,

be affected by the construction of the powerline?

17 A. The clear-cut right of way would be within 75 feet of the deck at the back of my

18 home. A 150 foot tall pole would tower almost directly overhead. Presently a forest

19 buffer exists between my home and the noises from Spring Street in Eureka Springs. That

buffer would be gone. In the summer, leaves on the trees isolate us visually and

21 acoustically from town. The power line would remove all that and replace it with a

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2 rustling through leaves, we would hear the hum of wind over wire and possibly worse.

At the present time, I live and work in a state of sanctuary... That sanctuary would be lost and never come back. Artists throughout Carroll County who live within view of one or more proposed routes face the same threat, the same potential loss. We are a close-knit community of artists who care deeply for each other. The losses sustained by one, affects others and we have a long-standing tradition of charitable art auctions used to help those in need and to raise money for worthy projects and for each other. We have a well-established sense of obligation and responsibility to stand up for each other in times of personal crisis. With this powerline proposal, I have never known a pending crisis to be more widespread.

As an author and well-known woodworking teacher, I frequently have visitors wanting to visit my shop and to purchase some of my work or some of my books and see where I live and work. I've had busloads of visitors from the Arkansas Art Center, the Oakland (CA) Art Museum, and the Los Angeles Folk Art Museum. Visitors always comment on the beauty of this place. That beauty would be gone. The simple mechanism is this: Artists choose to live and work here because they are attracted by the natural beauty. They've formed a thriving art community that spurs creativity, attracts other artists to move and work here. The arts are the bedrock of our community. And the visual beauty of this place is the foundation for the arts. It's why we gathered here in the first place. For SWEPCO to take our visual landscape so lightly is a sacrilege and a shame

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1	that the artists of Eureka Springs would not forgive. The danger that SWEPCO poses to	
2	our ec	conomy is not just a loss of tourism, but also a loss of artists and the arts.
3	Q.	Have you read the EIS for this powerline project?
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5	A.	Yes.
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7	Q.	Did the EIS address possible impacts of the powerline project on the artists'
8	community of Eureka Springs and their livelihood?	
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10	A.	No. Not at all.
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12	Q.	In your opinion, did the EIS adequately describe and analyze, the impact of
13	the powerline on the artist community and its the artists' community economic	
14	impact on the region?	
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16	A.	It did not.
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18	Q.	DOES THIS END YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?
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20	A.	Yes.
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¹ Lucilla Garrett, President for Board of Eureka Springs School of the Arts (ESSA), comments on Docket # 13-041-U, by, on May 22, 2013.

ii Communication with Zeek Taylor, June 26, 2013

iii http://www.americanstyle.com/2012/06/top-25-small-cities-for-art/

iv http://www.artplaceamerica.org/articles/topsmalltownartplaces2013/

v http://www.apscservices.info/ReceivedDocs/1528_7_06062013_2_1.pdf

vi www.economicoptions.org/WVCODAreportcomplete.doc

Curriculum Vitae

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Website http://www.dougstowe.com **Blog:** http://wisdomofhands.blogspot.com Date of Birth -- November 15, 1948 Place of Birth -- Memphis, Tennessee, USA

Narrative:

I began my career as a woodworker in 1976, making custom furniture and small boxes. In 1995, I began writing how-to articles for a variety of woodworking magazines. In 1997 my first book was published, and I have since published six more. I have completed three DVDs with Taunton Press.

In 2001, I began a woodworking program at the Clear Spring School, designed to integrate woodworking activities to stimulate and reinforce academic curriculum, restoring the rationale for the use of crafts in general education and demonstrating its effectiveness. I am actively engaged in writing and speaking about the need for hands-on learning in all areas of school curricula, while I continue to produce furniture, small boxes, and write for a variety of woodworking magazines.

Education:

1974-1975 **Memphis State University** Memphis, TN

Ceramics, and faculty assistant in ceramics (not for degree)

1966-1970 **Hastings College** Hastings, NE

B.A. Political Science

Experience:

2001-Present Teacher/Director, Wisdom of the Hands at the Clear Spring School 1995-Present

Writer, Books and articles and DVDs on the subject of woodworking and

woodworking education.

Contributing Editor, Woodwork, A Magazine for all Woodworkers 2002-2008

1975-Present Furniture Craftsman, Designing and building custom home furnishings and inlaid

wood accessories from native Arkansas hardwoods.

Teaching:

2008-Present **Fulbright Senior Specialist Roster**

2001-Present Clear Spring School, Director, Wisdom of the Hands

Weekend and weeklong Classes, Craft Schools throughout the US. 2000-Present

Lectures and Presentations:

November 2012 ISACS conference Louisville, KY July 2012 **Eliot School** Boston, MA

July 2010 June 2009 September 2008 April 2008 April 2008	Crafticulation, University of Helsinki CODA (Craft Organization Development Assn.) Woodworker's Showcase	Dearborn, MI MIT, Cambridge MA Helsinki, FI Little Rock, AR
June 2006	Furniture Education Panelist, Furniture Society	Saratoga Springs, NY Indianapolis, IN
May 2006	Traditions in Transitions, Umeå Universitet	Umeå, Sweden
April 2005	Hands Conference, Ford Motor Company	Dearborn, MI
2004	New England Association of Woodworking Teach	ners Providence, RI
Publications: Articles:		
August 2013	Fine Woodworking Master Class wooden hinges	Taunton Press
Summer 2013	Best of Fine Woodworking Outdoor Projects	Taunton Press
April 2013	Fine Woodworking Installing knife hinges	Taunton Press
December 2012	<u> </u>	esh Wood Publishing
Fall 2012	Fine Woodworking Quick and Easy Projects (Comp	ilation)Taunton Press
	American Woodworker No Fuss Box Joints	_
March 2012	Fine Woodworking Easy Glass Doors	Taunton Press
December 2011	Fine Woodworking Distinctive Box Details	Taunton Press
August/Sept 2011	American Woodworker Sliding Book Rack.	
July 2011	Make Magazine: Vol. 27 Spoon Carving Knife	1
March 2010	Wisdom of the Hands, Lee Valley Woodworking No.	ewsletter, Vol.4 Issue 4
April 2010	Fine Woodworking, Perfect Hinges Every Time	
Feb/March 2010	American Woodworker, The Gifkins Box	
Feb/March 2010	American Woodworker, A Simple Router Table	va Education
Summer 2009	Furniture Matters, Sloyd, Wood Shop and Formative Fine Weedward Francisco Commence of the Comm	
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December 2008	Fine Woodworking, Better Way to Build Boxes	Taunton Press
October 2008	Woodwork, Revisiting Educational Sloyd	Taumon Tiess
April 2008	Fine Woodworking Cover story, Designing Boxes	Taunton Press
April 2008	Woodwork, A Simple Bookstand	Tudition Trops
February 2008	Woodwork, Robyn's Bench	
December 2007	Woodwork, A Tale of Two Boxes	
September 2007	Woodcraft, Doug's Custom Knife Box	
August 2007	CabinetMaker, editorial, Woodshop in a Nutshell	
August 2007	Fine Woodworking Website, Woodworking for Kids	s Taunton Press
April 2007	Woodwork, A Beginner's Bench Hook	
Spring 2007	Independent School, Woodworking at Clear Spring	School
March 2007	Woodcraft, Economics, Woodworking and Stamp Tr	rucks
December 2006	Encounter: Education for Meaning and Social Justice, Wi	
December 2006	Fine Woodworking, Center Gap Table Tops	Taunton Press

November 2006 Woodwork, Making a vacuum veneered box November 2006 Woodcraft, Making a pen collection box

August 2006 Fine Woodworking, Finishing Boxes with Danish Oil Taunton Press

August 2006 *Woodwork*, Making a carved Jewelry Box June 2006 *Woodwork*, Making a Rustic Wooden Box

April 2006 Woodwork, A Union of Souls, Profile of Robyn Horn

April 2006 Woodwork, Making Crooked Knives

March 2006 *Northern Woodlands*, Another View of Woodworking Education Jan/Feb, 2006 *Fine Woodworking*, Methods of Work "A minimalist router table"

Nov/Dec 2005 *Fine Woodworking*, Reader's Gallery, Walnut Workbench

January 2006 Woodcraft, Vacuum Laminated Box

December 2005 *Woodcraft,* Making Magazine Storage Boxes October 2005 *Woodwork,* Making a Walnut Writing Desk

November 2005 Woodcraft, Back to School, the Wisdom of the Hands

August 2005 *Woodwork*, Beginning Sloyd, 21st Century

August 2005 *Woodwork*, The Sloyd Knife July 2005 *Woodcraft*, White Oak Bookcase

May 2005 Woodcraft, Making a Walnut Box with Mitered Box JointsDovetail Media

June 2005 *Woodwork*, Making a Cane for Aunt Wuzzie

April 2005 The Woodworker, Making a Stone topped Table Nexus Media, UK

February 2005 *Woodwork*, Making Scandinavian Bent Wood Boxes December 2004 *Woodwork*, Making Sculpture from the Half Model

December 2004 *Practical Woodworking*, Making a Cradle Nexus Media, UK
October 2004 *Practical Woodworking*, Chair for a Young Rocker Nexus Media, UK

August 2004 *Woodwork*, Free Wood

August 2004 *Woodwork*, Educational Sloyd August 2004 *Woodwork*, Paper Sloyd

June 2004 *Woodwork*, Making a Tribal Coffee Table

June 2004 The Woodworker, Making Desk Compartments Nexus Media, UK
January 2004 Practical Woodworker, Boxes With Angled Slip-FeathersNexus Media, UK
April 2004 Woodwork, Making Valentines Boxes-Family and Community in the Woodshop

December 2003 Woodwork, Making a Box for John Ruskin August 2003 Woodwork, Making Stone Topped Tables

April 2003 Woodwork, Making Lucy's Cradle

December 2002 Woodwork, Making Desk Compartments-Cubbies, Drawers and Secret Boxes

October 2002 Woodwork, Making "Turned" Shaker Knobs on the Router Table

July 2002 *Practical Woodworker*, Hall Table Nexus Media, UK

June 2002 *Woodwork*, Spalted Maple and Walnut Table April 2002 *Woodwork*, Making a Child's Walnut Rocker

February 2002 *The Woodworker*, Pedestal Table, Hinge Jig Nexus Media, UK

December 2001 Woodwork, Making Boxes With Angled Slip-feathers
August 2001 Woodwork, A Simple Technique For Installing Butt Hinges
Woodwork, Half Blind Dovetails (With Power Assist)
December 2000 Woodwork, Making an Inlaid Pencil Box With Slot Hinges

July/Aug 1997 Mar/Apr. 1997 Jan/Feb. 1997 Aug/Sept.1996 To present April 1996 Nov./Dec 1995 Sept./Oct. 1995	Woodworker's Journal, Cherry dining chairs Woodworker's Journal, Cherry dining table Woodworker's Journal, Cherry Sideboard Woodworker's Journal Online, Artist's Profile http://www.dougstowe.com/wwjonline/wj1004.htm Fine Woodworking, Notes and Comments, Table and benefit Woodworker's Journal, Spice Cabinet and Artist Profile Woodworker's Journal, Earring chest, inside and cover	ches.
Books: Fall 2011 Fall 2009 Spring 2008 Spring 2007 March 2004 Winter 2001 Spring 2000 Fall 1997	Simply Beautiful Boxes Popular Wood	Taunton Press Taunton Press Holzwerken Taunton Press Taunton Press Iworking Books Iworking Books etterway Books
DVDs: Spring 2012 Fall 2009 Spring 2007	Building Small Cabinets Rustic Furniture Basics Basic Box Making	Taunton Press Taunton Press Taunton Press
Exhibits and Awa 2012 2009	Making My Small Cabinets Historic Arkansas Museum I Named "Arkansas Living Treasure", Arkansas Dept. of Arkansas Arts Council	
20052004	Golden Hammer Awards 2 nd place Books, 3 rd place Articles, 3 rd place Photography Contemporary Craft And Sculpture-UALR	NAHWW Little Rock, AR
2003 2003 2002	Individual Artist Fellowship Arkans Golden Hammer AwardNational Association of Home V First Place-Books Living with Contemporary Craft-Decorative Arts Muse	•
2002	A Reliquary of Wood Golden Hammer AwardsNational Association of Home 1st Place-Feature Articles, 2nd Place-Books	Workshop Writers
2002 2001-2002 2000 1999	- -	Conway, AR Exhibits, USA Springfield, MO Little Rock, AR

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1996	Maker of Governor's Arts Awards for 1996	Arkansas Arts Council
1993-1998	Buyers' Market of American Crafts	Philadelphia, PA

Civic Participation:

2001-present	Eureka Springs School of the Arts, Board of Directors and founder
2006-2008	National Association of Home Workshop Writers, President
1990-2000	Office of Human Concern Roard of Directors

Eureka Springs Guild of Artists and Craftspeople, Founder and first President 1977