

PENLAND GALLERY

KEUN HO PETER PARK

Philadelphia, PA

WOOD | Studio furniture and functional objects

Penland Affiliation | Penland Instructor 2021

Artist Information | Studio artist; education: BFA Kookmin University (South Korea), MFA Rochester Institute of Technology (NY); teaching: University of the Arts (PA), Rowan University (NJ), University of Pennsylvania (PA), Rochester Institute of Technology (NY), Penland School of Craft (NC), Snow Farm: The New England Craft Program (MA), Port Townsend Woodworking School (WA), Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts (TN), Haystack Mountain School of Craft (ME), Society of Contemporary Craft (PA); exhibitions: Da Vinci Art Alliance (PA), Center for Art in Wood (PA), Allens Lane Art Center (PA), Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show (PA), Philadelphia Invitational Furniture Show (PA)

Artist Bio | Keun Ho Peter Park is a Korean-American artist, woodworker, and instrument maker who teaches at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia PA. He holds a BFA in painting from South Korea's Kookmin University and an MFA in Woodworking and Furniture Design from the Rochester Institute of Technology. Among other honors, Peter is the recipient of a 2015 Wharton Esherick Award at the Philadelphia Museum of Art craft show, and a First-time Artist Award at the Smithsonian Craft Show in 2022.

Artist Statement | *The beauty of the human body and the characteristic forms of various living creatures always inspire me. It naturally leads me to take an interest in organic shapes and to create anthropomorphic forms. I love to explore innovative ways of creating objects based on this motif in various formats. I also explore the sensory experience and sculptural qualities derived from a functional object made out of wood.*