

BRUCE S. BENNETT

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Personal Details

Born: 3/10/50
6'0" 190 lb..
Excellent health

JOB OBJECTIVE

Supervisory position in construction: job foreman, carpentry foreman or assistant superintendent; position in related building firms

EXPERIENCE

June 83 --
present

Designed and made custom furniture from marble, wood, and lacquered woods. Marketed furniture at design studios, art galleries and craft shows. Designed and made wooden toys. Marketed through craft shops nationwide with mailers I wrote and photographed.

Aug. 81--
June 83

Remodeling contracting, and cabinetry as self-employed..

Oct 1980--
July 1981

Job Corp instructor for building trades. First student to graduate was from my class.

78--80

Contractor and sub-contractor. Subcontracted carpentry for both residential and commercial buildings with Barth and Ramsbottom Architects. Subcontracted carpentry for housing in Village Green Subdivision. Contracted addition and remodeling of homes in Village Green. Designed and constructed a passive solar room as part of a complete home restoration.

Prior

Worked for different construction projects as a carpenter building: houses, apartments, condominiums, bridges. Restored log cabin on Sevier County farm.

EDUCATION

68--73 Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
Graduated with a B.S. in psychology. Took shop classes in woodworking in addition to working as a counselor for a telephone crisis program.

64--68 Blytheville High School, Blytheville, Arkansas

SKILLS Fully qualified in all phases of general carpentry. Thoroughly knowledgeable with lumber and ordering. Able to estimate construction costs. Adept in building layout and all surveying tools. Well acquainted with procedures of masonry, plumbing, electricity, heating, and landscape. Able to supervise workers for maximum efficiency, and schedule subcontractors for optimum job completion.

REFERENCES Wilson Harpe, 1501 Hannah Avenue, Knoxville, Tn.

Alan Clear, Chamber of Commerce, Knoxville, Tn.

Barth and Ramsbottom Architects, 101 Westwood Drive
Knoxville, Tn.

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Bruce Bennett, a native of Arkansas presently residing in Knoxville, Tennessee, attended Florida State University where he took classes in woodworking. Upon completion of his degree, he worked on various design/build restoration projects in and around Knoxville. At the same time he was exploring wood sculpture and restoring a log cabin on a Sevier County farm.

Needing a piece of marble for a house he was working on, he went to a local marble quarry. While there he noticed they had stacked several triangular pieces of pink Tennessee marble. This turned out to be the very same marble from which the National Gallery of Art in Washington was built. On impulse he purchased several of the extras which had been made for the East Wing to cover breakage. These he put in storage while he taught a course in design and building construction at Knoxville College in 1981.

During this time Bruce turned from carving wooden sculptures to carving in stone, making exquisite tables of native Tennessee marble. Feeling that the beauty of this marble, indigenous to the United States, was insurpassable, he began devoting most of his time to this endeavor.

Since his first show in New Orleans at the Mario Villa Gallery, the style and content of Bruce's work has increased in range from finely crafted marble furniture to bas-reliefs and freestanding sculpture. His work is available at shops in Knoxville, Atlanta, and Key West.