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Addendum

President's Message

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August Presentation for the OCWA

At our August meeting, which took place at the Anderson International Trading Co. in Anaheim, we had the pleasure of being treated to one of the most thoughtful, and interesting presentations on the making of Spanish guitars by master luthier, Ms. Monica Esparza.



Not only did Monica bring three beautiful guitars, one completed, and two in different stages of construction, but she also brought along various jigs, veneers, and solid woods used in the construction and decoration of the instruments.

One jig that was particularly interesting was a heat bending device used in the bending of the wood sides of the guitar.

She also went into great detail on how to make the decorative rosettes around the sound holes. It is amazing how much work goes into these guitars.

Not only did she give a great presentation, but she did it in the sweltering August heat in the plywood warehouse at Jim Anderson's company. We were definitely in the company of a true master who loves her work.

I want to thank Monica for coming back a second time, and gracing us with her presence. We enjoyed it very much.

Our September WoodWorker's meeting presenter will feature Joe Lomax of Austin Hardwoods and Hardware, and he will be discussing some new product lines available to woodworkers. It should be exciting and I hope to see you there.

