



**Background-**Wayne Trinklein is a nationally known, award winning creator of realistically portrayed metal tree sculptures. On his lifelong journey as an artist he has developed many unique technologies and art forms, and ways to express his stories and heartfelt joy for the gifts he sees in the world and people around him. His professional training started as a preministerial student but moved towards Medicine and a 25 year practice as a small town family doctor and delivered 1000 babies. During this time he began making full sized deer, camels, and dancing bear sculptures from welded steel and twigs. He created technology to mold copper wire, and metals to make his trees. Rock cutting and shaping skills were also self taught to use as tree bases. Copper cladding techniques and work with polymer resins were developed for enhancing the trees. Woodworking skills and especially slabwood table design was needed for dramatic display of the trees at art shows.

## *Table Trees*

*Romantic, dancing,  
functional tree table  
sculptures*

*by  
Wayne Trinklein*

**“It has all come together with my Dancing Table Trees. I set out to make display tables which were every bit as romantic and fanciful as the trees which could sit upon them. I wanted my tables to tell a story of joy and exuberance for life. I wanted them to dance and frolic as they raised their limbs to the skies. I watched my wife as she brushed her curly, red hair above her head, standing before the mirror in the morning. I wanted my tables to look as beautiful as her.”**



## The construction

A steel armature for the trunk is welded and shaped to give sturdy support for the undulating curves of the roots and trunk. Epoxy resin refines and smoothes the form and creates underlying “muscularity”. Then copper or aluminum sheeting is clad, shaped, and texturized to depict bark. It is then patinaed to accentuate relief and texture.

An appropriate rock is shaped to provide a natural landscape with a flat stable base, and holes are bored into the rock for the roots. The table tree is anchored into the rock.

A suitable natural slab top is made from mesquite, cherry, pine, osage orange, walnut, oak or other woods, sanded and finished with several layers of oil or lacquer. The top is leveled and fitted to the branches.



## How to order a Table Tree

Call or email me with your thoughts. Home décor, colors, mood, size of table, number of tiers. We will make a table sculpture which fits your home or office and tells your story. Each piece is an original.

Price will depend on size, number of tiers, and type of slab top. Starting cost is about \$800 for a 24 inch tall single tier to \$5000 for a multitier, elaborate design piece with exotic woods. I can give a price quote and delivery date. Completion of order is usually 3-6 weeks. Shipping is available.

## Contact Information

Wayne Trinklein

Grand Natural Products, Inc

206 Park Charles Blvd South.

St Peters, Missouri

636-936-8130 studio phone

Fax 636-936-8130

Cell 636-279-9171

Email –[waynetrinklein@hotmail.com](mailto:waynetrinklein@hotmail.com)

## Websites

[www.grandnatural.com](http://www.grandnatural.com)

[www.waynetrinklein.com](http://www.waynetrinklein.com)

Facebook webpage [https://](https://www.facebook.com/Grand-Natural-Products-inc-186207791474901/)

[www.facebook.com/Grand-Natural-Products-inc-186207791474901/](https://www.facebook.com/Grand-Natural-Products-inc-186207791474901/)