



I am Leo Sharkey and I began making furniture nine years ago while living in Vermont and later Massachusetts. My early pieces were influenced by the artisan community in New England and the Shaker tradition of simple but elegant designs with exceptional quality workmanship. Since returning home to the Mid-West, I have expanded on this foundation to use highly figured or exotic woods to complement the clean lines of my designs. I love the interplay of texture, color, shape and size and derive a great deal of pleasure from creating a unique piece of furniture. My lumber rack is filled with interesting and exotic species including seventeen-inch wide cherry, fifteen-inch wide curly birch, curly spotted gum and leopardwood among others.



I enjoy working with clients to design custom furniture to produce unique personalized art. I thrive on the challenge of creating furniture to meet specific space or decorating needs and it gives me great satisfaction to produce pieces that are just what the client has always wanted but has been unable to find. The quality of my work and the timeless style of the pieces contribute to my goal of producing heirloom furniture that will be passed on from one generation to the next.

Of course, my work is unconditionally guaranteed for the lifetime of the original owner against defects in workmanship and materials. All of my work is branded with the LRS logo and dated in an inconspicuous spot usually on the underside of the piece.



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