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raw stock collection of interesting boards and slabs of wood that he has acquired for his work projects, and he continues to add to it when he finds interesting pieces. "People ask me where I get my wood from," says Laine. "I go to a lot of shops that deal in importing and selling raw materials. When I walk in and see a couple boards that grab my attention I buy them right then, because you know if you wait and go back, they'll be gone."



the lineage they have of the tree."

His collection includes woods from all over the world including Africa, Brazil, Australia, and of course, from North America. Among the woods currently in stock are superior alder, live edge curly maple, canary wood, oak, African padauk, black walnut, Brazilian satinwood, cherry from Chile, and a large slab of rare waterfall bubinga, a tropical hardwood. A lot of the wood he acquires comes from salvage projects that he is now repurposing.

Right now Laine's shop is full as he continues to try and get organized in his new space. He obviously has all the equipment and tools he needs to create his artistic works, from a band saw and table saw, to level tables and hand tools. The tall ceilings in the space allow him to store longer pieces of wood for larger projects. He says he plans to wall off the shop space and build a retail shop where he can display and sell his work.

"I guess you can tell, but I'm just passionate about wood," says Laine.

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"Most of the wood has a story too," he says. He shows off a slab of local black walnut that he purchased; he said the sellers had photos of it being taken down, milled, being put through the kiln, and then some items that have been made from it. "I sent them a photo of a reception counter I made from a slab of it. They're going to add it to

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