



Slimline pens take a Cross refill. To change the refill pull the pen apart and unscrew the refill. Replace then reassemble.



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The Collegiate pen series
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Kate's pens are owned by individuals and collectors all over the United States and England. A video of Kate making a pen is available at www.doublediamond.net.

About the Collegiate pen series

Each Collegiate Slimline pen is custom made to order – no two are exactly the same. Acrylic blocks in the school colors are cut into slices. The slices are glued together to form a blank. The blank is mounted on the lathe and turned to the proper shape. Each pen is meticulously polished to bring out the beauty and depth of color in the acrylic.

About the artist

Kate Diamond, a junior at Ramsey High School in Ramsey, NJ is an active member of the American Association of Wood Turners and the Hudson Valley Wood Turners (HVWT). In 2007 Kate was inspired by a pen turning demonstration at The Woodworking Show in Somerset, NJ. Later that year she received a lathe for her birthday and a passion was born. In February, 2011, she gave a pen turning demonstration on the HVWT stand at the very show that inspired her!

Inspiring others is important to Kate. She is currently developing a program to introduce Girl Scouts to lathe work. The program will include shop safety and basic turning instruction as well as a hands-on component.

Giving back is important as well. \$5 from the sale of all "Pieces" pens (a striped segmented acrylic pen) will be donated to the Children's Tumor Foundation (www.ctf.org). CTF is a non-profit foundation dedicated to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by neurofibromatosis (NF). NF encompasses a set of distinct genetic disorders that cause tumors to grow along various types of nerves. NF can also affect the development of non-nervous tissues such as bones and skin. Kate was born with NF1.

How the pens are made

