

COLUMBIA FLYWAY & WILDLIFE SHOW NEWSLETTER

Clatsop County Fairgrounds & Expo Center September 30 - October 2 Astoria, Oregon



Greetings all,

The closer we get to this year's show in Astoria, the more excited we get. And we hope you're getting excited too. Everything seems to be falling into place. The new location, the new date, and the new divisions we have added. The Clatsop County Fairgrounds & Expo Center has been a pleasure to work with and all the extra space is a dream come true. We have had lots of interest in where to stay or to camp and what to do while in Astoria. Now the only other thing we need is **you!**

We understand without having had a show for the last two years, and our

change of venue, some of you may be hesitant to

commit to attending let alone entering your newest carvings. Well don't be, I guarantee you will have the time of your life. What do you have to lose? Imagine bumping into old friends, attending a great seminar or two, attending the banquet, and of course all the fun and excitement of the floating decoy competitions. This year we are hosting the **IWCA Working Decoy Championship**. And that's just the tip of the iceberg. While in town take in a guided fishing trip or go crabbing in the estuary. Visit the Astoria Column and marvel at the unbelievable view of the Columbia River and marshlands that hold all that wildlife. Take a long walk on the beach, and then fill up on Fresh Seafood at the local restaurants and breweries. Need I say more?

Yes, the 2022 Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show is falling into place, but now, **We need you and your carvings to attend**. Early entry and signing up and committing to the seminars and especially the banquet will help us ensure a great time will be had by all. Please visit our website to enter. As always we can answer any questions you may have to make your experience and stay a great one. See you there!



We want you and your carvings! 1

See you in Astoria! Randy Martin



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Youth Carving Contests

Sponsorships

For the 2022 Show, we will have two contests for the young carvers. First is Division Y. Youth. This is our normal contest and youth carvers may do Wildfowl or Fish.

Second is a **New Event** this year, Division YS Youth Silhouette. The subject is an Atlantic Puffin Silhouette. On our website there is a pattern you can print and size to a maximum of 11" from the top of the head to the tip of the tail. (Go to <u>www.columbiaflywaywildlifeshow.com/youth-puffin-pattern</u>. Look under **"Event Details"**). They can be smaller if you wish. A great material to make the silhouette from is pine shelving that you can get at your local big box lumber store. Carvers do not need to carve a lot of detail, but can round the edges, carve a bill, etc. Glass eyes can be used, but are not necessary. Mount the silhouette on a dowel and a simple base and you are ready to paint. Do your research on the Atlantic Puffin and start painting one of these colorful little birds.

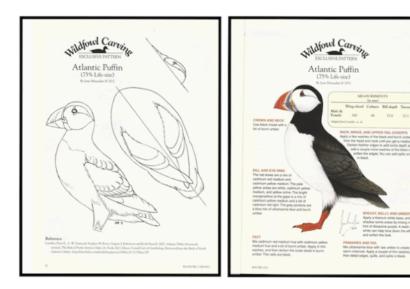
We have two kids age groups 15-17 years old and 14 years old and under.

We do not show prizes for the youth events in our show brochure, but we will have some great prizes to award, as well as ribbons to our upstart carvers. There's still plenty of time to get the kids carving and get to the show. Bring the kids and their carvings, and if you live away; mail them in to us.

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Hoping to see a lot of Atlantic Puffins on the West Coast!







Vintage Decoy & Hunting Collectibles

The Vintage Decoy Collectors are really starting to fill up the show. We have had several collectors and sellers of collectible decoys, birds, and memorabilia reserve tables. You might have seen some of these same folks selling at the Ohio Decoy Collectors & Carvers Show, the Washington Brant Foundation Show, and most recently, at the Pacific Flyway Decoy Association Show in Sacramento, California. We are working hard at making the Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show a major stop for collectible antique carvings.

Collector Brett Stark, from the Olympia Washington area, will be on hand to give a one hour seminar on Saturday with a focus on old time Lower Columbia River Decoy Makers. Joining him will be Robert 'Bob'



Gohl a local Astoria resident who knew many of the old time carvers of the area. When not doing the seminar, they will be at their table sharing their knowledge of the Astoria carvers, selling and trading some decoys. Along with Brett and Bob, there will be other vintage decoy and hunting collectors manning their tables and sharing information.

This is a great opportunity to have an expert look at your vintage decoys. Maybe you want to sell or trade one with these

And don't forget, we have a decoy carving contest honoring Charles Bergman, a local Astoria carver, who produced over 5000 decoys. The subject of this years Bergman contest is a Green Winged Teal Hen. The Grand children of Mr. Bergman, will be on hand to judge the contest and answer questions about their famous Grandfather. See our show brochure online for more information about the Charles Bergman Contest.







The Oregon Waterfowl Festival Duck Calling Contest Joins the Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show

That's right! The Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show will be hosting the Oregon State Duck Calling Contest at our event. Because of the Covid issue, the Oregon Waterfowl Festival was not able to hold an event this year. They are partnering with us to hold their duck calling contest. This will be about a two hour event on Saturday October 1st. The winners of this calling championship will advance on to the World Duck Calling Contest in Stuttgart, Arkansas. The time of the event hasn't been announced as of yet, check our website soon for more details.



More Good News It Just Keeps Coming Folks!

The \$10. fees for the Brad Snodgrass and Jerry Simchuk two hour seminars have been dropped. Due to a generous donation, the *seminar fees have been eliminated*. So, make your plans to be with us on Saturday and Sunday for, *four hours of Free Seminars*. Watch Brad Snodgrass carve and paint a waterfowl bust. Brad is sure to show you some airbrush techniques and decorative painting instruction. Bring your note book and camera! The good news is that you can bid on, and buy Brads seminar carving later at our Saturday Banquet. He won't tell us what the subject is, the only way to find out; is be at the seminar Saturday morning.

And, if that's not enough; join Jerry Simchuk for a Masters Class lesson in painting with acrylic paints. Jerry is a master at brush blending and he will demonstrate how it's done. And for the second hour, you will be able to paint and blend for yourself. This is a hands on seminar. Anytime we are fortunate enough to have Jerry do a seminar, we fill the classroom.

See our website for all the details about these two seminars. You are just not going to get four hours of instruction by World Class Artists for *FREE* anywhere, but at the Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show. Get there however you can and don't miss out on this opportunity to become a better carver and painter.



Brad Snodgrass - Master Carver Saturday, October 1 -9:00am-11:00am "Carving & Painting a Duck Bust"

- Painting techniques, including sponging
- Finishing the project with conventional brushes
- Emphasis will be on airbrush techniques and applications.



Jerry Simchuk - Master Carver Sunday, October 2 - 9:00am-11:00am Color Theory & Methods Painting with Acrylic Paints

- Paint mixing for desired colors
- Application methods and theory
- Brushes/tools for the desired result

On Site Lunch

One of the great amenities of our new building is an on-site kitchen and concession stand. In the concession stand on Friday-Saturday-Sunday will be the local Clatsop County 4-H. They will be preparing lunches for our attendees during show hours. They regularly do meal preparation as fund raiser and provide good quality meals at reasonable prices. So, join us for lunch and non-alcoholic beverages during the show and help support a great group of hard working youth.



A Taste of the Best Local Brews and Wines



King Tide Mobile Beverage Co.

Mobile Beverage Catering

From the bountiful oceans and rustic rivers to the fruitful and gifting mountains. Oregon's North Coast has so much to offer. KTMB aims to share all of these gifts through carefully hand crafted beverages made right in your back yard.

The Lower Columbia River area, which includes Astoria, Warrenton, Seaside, and several small towns, offers some of the best locally brewed and crafted beers, wines and distilled beverages. Beverages from Buoy Beer Company, Fort George Brewery, Pilot House Distilling, and other brewing companies will be represented in the lineup of drinks offered during the Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show.

King Tide Mobile Beverage Company will be handling the service of these local beverages. The service will be offered on Saturday and Sunday. Additionally, many of these local products will be a part of the raffles and auction.

Vendors are still signing up!





That right folks, you won't miss the Saturday morning garage sale by going to our show. We will be setting up an area where you can bring some items you no longer use, and they will be sold.

Examples of what you could bring:

- Art supplies, paints, brushes, etc.
- Just about any kind of tool is acceptable.
- Maybe you have an old electric tool like a band saw, sander, circular saw, or drill?
- What do you have that a carver or a handy man around the house could use? Carving tools, gouges, chisels, and the list goes on.
- You might have some good carving wood you are just not going to use.
- Any type of woodworking, carving, or painting books would be good.
- You must have something just laying around the house or shop, another carver could use?

So, here is how it works. Bring your items to the show on Friday or Saturday. Tell us how much money you want for it. We will put that price on it. We can do this in two different ways. First you could donate the item to the show and the proceeds would go to the show. Or, we will sell the item for you and take a 10% commission for the show. You don't have to be at the table. Go enjoy the show and seminars. Check back at the sale table later and see if your items have sold. We will do the work for you.

Start cleaning out the garage and shop right now, and we will see you at the Flyway Show.



Banquet "A Sumptuous Feast" Menu

The first class kitchen will be used by our caterer, Wild Currant Catering, for the Saturday night banquet. The Wild Currant full time business is catering and they have been in business for many years. Here is the Menu:

- 1. Chicken Cordon Bleu and Tri-tip Roast.
- 2. Scallop Potatoes
- 3. Green Beans
- 4. Caesar Salad
- 5. Peach Cobbler
- 6. Ice tea & Lemonade

King Tide Mobile Beverage Company will be serving locally brewed and distilled adult beverages and pop from "Happy Hour" through the banquet and auction. This is a no-host bar.

Banquet tickets can be purchased online ..

Go to website: https://www.columbiaflywaywildlifeshow.com/ Click on the tab called "CFWSA Store" Under this tab scroll down and click on ""CFWSA Store" Scroll down on the page until you see "Awards Banquet Auction" Chose with CFWSA Membership \$45 or without CFWSA Membership \$50 Click and follow the directions to enter your credit card.

After payment, you will receive an automatic response to your email.

The tickets will be placed in a packet to be picked up

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Schedule of Events 2022

Friday, September 30

All Day

8:30 to 4:30

Tom Matus Carving & Painting a Canvasback Drake Head \$100 fee \$10 materials fee (\$10 discount for members)

Afternoon

Noon to 6:00	Show, Vendor, Demo Setup
2:00 - 6:00	Carver Registration

Saturday, October 1

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Morning		
7:30 to 9:00	Carver Registration	
8:00 to 9:00	Judges and Clerks Meeting	
9:00	Show Opens to Public	
9:00 - 11:00	2-Hour Free Seminar	
	Brad Snodgrass Carving & Airbrush Pain	t a Waterfowl Bust
9:30 - 11:00	Judging Table Entries	
11:00 - 12:00	Ward Museum Tour	Free Virtual Seminar
11:30 to 1:00	Judging Decoys in Water Tank	
Afternoon		
1:00 - 2:00	Tom Christie Free Virtual Seminar	
2:00 - 3:00	Brett Stark - Avid Collector & Decoy Expert Old Decoys of the Pacific Northwest	
	Free Seminar	
3:00 - 4:00	Kurt Benson Antiquing a Decoy	Free Seminar
4:00	Show Closes	
Evening		
5:00	Happy Hour	
6:00	Dinner, Awards, and Auction	

Sunday, October 2

Morning		TTA OF
9:00	Show Opens	
9:00 - 11:00	2-Hour Free Seminar	
	Jerry Simchuk Color Theory and Methods	
11:00 - 12:00	Jim Bergeron NW Coastal Native American Carving	Free Seminar

Afternoon

1:00 - 2:00	TBA Free Seminar
2:00	Cutoff for Silent Auction
2:30	Judging of "Mini-Decoy Trade Bird" contest in the water tank
3:00	Raffle Drawings
4:00	Show Closes, Carver Check Out





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Tom Matus Carving and Painting Class Friday September 30, All Day



On Friday the 30th, two-time World Champion Tom Matus will be conducting a full day of carving and painting. This will be a hands on class. In the morning session you will be carving a Canvasback Drake head. Attention will be given to carving the head using key landmarks for the bill detail and setting the eyes. You may or may not finish the head carving in the morning session. That's OK. You will have the knowledge to finish the project at home.

The afternoon session is dedicated to painting the Canvasback. The focus will be on sealing the wood, paints, and brush selection. Tom will instruct you in the fine points of mixing and blending the paint. This session will be on a practice silhouette that will be provided. You then will have the knowledge to finish your carving at home.

For this class, materials and paint will be provided for a \$10 fee. Save the money if you like, and bring your own. This will be a hands on session for learning. You will spend a full day carving and painting. We will provide a body pattern so you can add your head to body that you can carve and paint at home.

Tom is a bundle of energy, and I assure you, he will share much more carving and painting knowledge than just the "Can", project. He is one of the most knowledgeable decoy carvers there ever has been.

Spots for this seminar are filling up, but we do still have some openings left. Once again, our website is the place to get all the information about this great seminar.



Sign up for the Matus Class online.

- 1. Go to website: <u>https://</u> <u>www.columbiaflywaywildlifeshow.com/</u>
- 2. Click on the tab called "Event Details"
- 3. Scroll down on the page until you see
- 4. Choose "<u>Tom Matus Class with CFWSA membership \$100</u> or the <u>Tom Matus Class without CFWSA</u> membership \$110
- 5. Click and follow the directions to enter your credit card.
- 6. After payment, you will receive an automatic response to your email.