

# Ohio Decoy Collectors and Carvers Association Vintage Decoys & Wildlife Art Show and Sale

March 18 - 19, 2023   
Holiday Inn Cleveland South,  
6001 Rockside Rd., Independence, OH 44131  
November 2022 Fall Newsletter, [www.odcca.net](http://www.odcca.net) 



To be raffled on Sunday at 1:30 p.m., this spectacular Mallard drake by Gary Hanson. Tickets sold only at the show! Thank you Gary!

★ 24 Carving Contests ★ Wildlife Art ★ Collector Buy-Sell-Trade ★ Sat Night Auction ★ Hands-on Demos ★ Best Vendors! ★

## Don't Miss Out – Reserve Your Rooms Now! Two Great Shows! Same Weekend!

### Make your reservations now!

Throughout the summer, ODCCA members and the Great Lakes Decoy Association have been working together to make our 2023 show even bigger and better than last year. And that's a challenge, considering that the hotel rooms were sold out, the ballroom was filled to capacity with vendors and attendees, and we had a record number of carvers entering our contests!

Good to know is that **hotel room rates have not increased**. I encourage you to reserve your room as soon as possible. **The new discount code this year is "DEC" as in decoy.**

Show highlights include two **new contests**, a **Modern Collectibles Purchase Award contest sponsored by GLDA**, and a **Feather contest**. The Wildfowler Rig contest has been **changed to three birds** from six birds to support more participation. **The Best of Show Dove Decoy Contest is a \$250 Purchase Award.**

**Debra Schmiedlin once again is donating another decoy.** We thank her for her continued support and generosity in honor of her husband, artist, and our friend, Jim Schmiedlin who passed away from ALS.

**Of note for Ballroom vendors, the cost of each additional table has been reduced by \$5.**

Also, our **membership fees remain the same.** Being a member is key to our organization and helps to sustain this show now and for future generations.

Lastly, critical to the success of our show is building a solid base of volunteers. **Just a few hours of your time** will help our show to remain the premier event of its kind in the country.

**My thanks to everyone and see you at the show!**

**Brad Falkinburg,  
ODCCA President.**

### We Need Your Help, You Can Make a Difference...

Volunteers are the backbone of non-profit shows like ours. You may have noticed that other Decoy Shows across the county have closed or are struggling. And that is because they ran out of volunteers long before they ran out of decoys.

**Please consider volunteering a few hours at the show - it's easy.**

Don't worry, you will work along side with our experienced volunteers who will gladly show you how you can help.

Show set-up and take down, decoy handling during the contests, recording contest results, contest registration, membership table, moving decoys for the photographer, and admission to the ballroom are just some of the areas where you can make a difference.

**Let us know how you can help.** Call Ken Stuparyk, 513-680-4660, or email [odccavolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:odccavolunteer@gmail.com), or visit our "Volunteers Needed" page on [www.odcca.net](http://www.odcca.net).



**Please consider volunteering.** You will have fun, meet nice people and help to sustain this show now and for future generations.

**You can make a difference!**