

Print Out *TWO* Contest Forms for Each Entry
★ Available On Line ★

To speed up the process of registration, contest entry forms will be available online in February for your convenience.

You need to print and complete *TWO* contest forms for each entry. You will give one of the forms to Registration, and you will keep the other form as your receipt to pick up your entry at the end of the show.

To get started, visit www.odcca.net and click on the Printable Contest Entry Forms page.

1. Click on the contest you wish to enter and **print out *two* copies** of the entry form.
2. Complete the information on **both** copies.
3. **Bring both forms** along with your entry to the show.
4. Submit one form with your entry at the ODCCA registration, and keep the second form as a receipt to pick up your entry at the end of the show, 3 p.m. Sunday.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

✱ **Please Become Sponsor** ✱

Whether it is in honor or in memory of someone, or celebrating something special, it is easy to become a sponsor.

Your donation of \$50, \$100, \$200 or more can be designated to sponsor a particular contest, purchase ribbons or awards, or in-kind services, etc.

As you know, the ODCCA is a registered non-profit, and your sponsorship is important to helping our show continue its many traditions. Your generosity will be acknowledged in the show program and newsletter. See the ODCCA Membership Application in this newsletter for details.

And thank you to the many **carvers** who donated back their carvings for auction, and to our **judges** who donated their checks back to the ODCCA last year.

The New Modern Collectibles Contest a Hit! Thank you Great Lakes Decoy Association!

A hush fell over the ballroom as spirited bidders competed to win an outstanding Arctic Tern hanger made by world renown carver, Del Herbert.

The 2023 Saturday night Ky Kraus Memorial Auction was one of the most talked about! This was the first year for the Modern Collectibles Purchase Award contest sponsored by the Great Lakes Decoy Association. The winner received \$500 and the entry was auctioned.



This stunning Arctic Tern hanger by Del Herbert was the winner of the first ever Modern Collectibles Contest sponsored by the Great Lakes Decoy Association.

“The purpose of the contest is to feature some of the great artwork that doesn’t have a home in any of the current traditional decoy contests,” said Dwane Ong, contest chairman.

(See 2024 Competition Rules page 8.)

Over 50 lots where sold during the popular auction. Vic Sutek, auction chairman, said the 2024 auction will feature fresh-to-market quality collectibles for every budget.

Two New Friday Fish Decoy Seminars - Free!

1. **Learn how to Carve a Fish Decoy**
2. **Learn how to Weight and Swim a Fish Decoy**

Two new free seminars will be held Friday afternoon in the Conference Center, Brecksville Rm.

Shaun Reeg, Al Reeg, and Brandon Thomas will show you how to carve a fish decoy, and then demonstrate how to weight and swim a fish decoy.

Whether you are an ice fisherman, use a spear, or just love this early native tradition, this seminar is for you!

Free and no reservations needed!

Friday, March 15, 2024

★ **Carving a fish decoy 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.**

★ **Weighting and Swimming a fish decoy 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

And be sure to stop in Sunday! View the contest winners, and bring your questions!

Thank you Shaun, Al, and Brandon for your dedication to preserving this hands-on tradition.

ODCCA Club Table Sell your Items!

Sell your decoys, fish decoys, hunting memorabilia and related art, if you don’t have enough items to fill a table in the Ballroom.

→ Mark each item with an **asking price** and a **“rock bottom” price** in mind.

→ Please consider making a **donation of 10%** when you sell an item to benefit the show.

→ **Please Volunteer** and help out at the table! You will have a lot of fun and meet lots of new people!

You’re Invited to Become a Part of History!



Everyone is welcome to be in the 2024 ODCCA group photo! The photo will be taken Saturday before the auction in Ballroom #1. The exact time will be posted in the hotel lobby.

4. ***The incalculable value of an object is how much pleasure it brings to you and the thrill of the find!***