



**35<sup>th</sup> Annual**

**PRAIRIE CANADA CARVING CHAMPIONSHIP**

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**Pembina Curling Club  
1341 Pembina Highway  
Winnipeg, Manitoba**

**Cocktail Competition  
Junior Competitions  
Purchase Awards  
Special Awards  
Special Categories  
and  
Just for Show, Auction and Sale**

# COCKTAIL CARVINGS

**Division M Cocktail Carvings** - must fit into a four-inch cube (excluding base)

Category 1	Puddle Ducks, Diving Ducks, Geese and Swans, Shorebirds, Confidence decoys
Category 2	Songbirds, Wading birds, Seabirds, Upland Game, Birds of Prey
Category 3	Traditional carvings (Section 2)
Category 4	Fish Section (Section 6)

- See page 11 for a list bird groupings
- This category allows participants to demonstrate their abilities at micro-miniature carving. Entries become the property of Prairie Canada Carvers' Association and will be auctioned off during the show. All proceeds will be retained by Prairie Canada Carvers' Association to provide working funds for future competitions.
- Do not enter if you wish to keep your carving.
- Entries may be carved of wood, antler, bone or stone, and glass eyes may be used. If there are feet, they must be made by the entrant.
- All species of North American birds, fish and mammals are accepted.
- All Traditional carvings are accepted.
- Full detailing and painting is allowed.
- There is no limit to the number a person may enter. Skill levels do not apply.

All entries that meet the Cocktail criteria are competing for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons. The **Best of Show cocktail carver (all categories) will receive \$100, a Best of Show Plaque and a Best of Show ribbon.**

**Prairie Canada Carving Competition appreciates the support of the carving community in donating carvings to our Cocktail Auction. This continues to be a major fund-raising activity for PCCA. The last auction (2019) raised a total of \$1,995.00. We invite all carvers to contribute one or more pieces and to join in the fun of the auction on Sunday afternoon. Be sure to mention the auction to friends, families and collectors of your work!**

## SPECIAL AWARDS

### **People's Choice Award -**

People's Choice Award is judged by the public. Each person attending the show (carvers and spectators) will be given a ballot and may vote for their favourite piece. The winning carver will receive a \$200.00 cash award and a trophy donated by **Les Gens de Bois Woodcarving Club Inc.**

### **Carvers' Choice Award -**

The Carvers' Choice Award is judged only by carvers engaged in the competition. Each carver will receive a ballot and vote for their favorite piece. The winning carver will receive \$200 cash donated by **Adanac Carvers Association.**

### **Don Phalen Memorial Award -**

This award of \$200 is made to a Novice carver for the Best Working Decoy under the guidelines of Divisions B, C or D. There is no entry fee. No special registration is needed. Selection is made from registered entries. This award is sponsored by the **Oak Hammock Marsh Carving Guild.**

### **Prairie Canada Junior's Awards -**

This award offers a \$100 first prize for the best carving by a Junior carver. Second place will receive \$50 and third place receives \$25. There is no entry fee. Entries are to be registered in Division "N". This award is sponsored by **Cliff Zarecki.**

# JUNIOR COMPETITIONS

## Division N Special Competitions

- Category 1 Junior (under 18) - any carving, any category **No entry fee.**  
Junior - Open to all carvers who have not reached their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday on the day immediately preceding the opening of the show. Junior carvers can choose from any Division or Category.
- Category 2 Junior 16 & 17 years – Belted Kingfisher or Terrapin silhouette **No entry fee.**
- Category 3 Junior 12 – 15 years – Belted Kingfisher or Terrapin silhouette **No entry fee.**
- Category 4 Junior 11 years & under – Belted Kingfisher or Terrapin silhouette **No entry fee.**

**Note:** a Belted Kingfisher Silhouette pattern can be found at  
<https://www.wardmuseum.org/app/uploads/2022/10/Kingfisher-pattern-and-rules.pdf>

A Terrapin Silhouette pattern can be found at  
<https://www.wardmuseum.org/app/uploads/2022/10/2023-Turtle-pattern-and-rules.pdf>

Both patterns are available on our Events webpage under Rules

### **Prairie Canada Junior Cash Award – Sponsored by Cliff Zarecki**

This award offers a \$100 first prize for the **best carving** by a Junior carver.  
Second place will receive \$50 and third place receives \$25. There is no entry fee.

## Purchase Awards for 2023

**NOTE:** These categories are open to all carvers and **are not grouped or judged by skill level.** First place carvings become the property of the award sponsor upon transfer of the monetary award. **Do not enter if you wish to keep your carving.** Check specific rules and entry fees for these categories below:

### Category 1 Maple & Bass Enterprises Purchase Award

This purchase award offers \$500.00. The criteria this year is “**Best Wildlife Sculpture suitable for the 2024 Prairie Canada raffle piece**”. The carving can be from any Category of the competition, but a maximum of 16” size. Carvings will be judged for merit and on its ability to generate revenue. The carving will not be floated. The entry judged as first in this category will become the property of the Prairie Canada Carvers’ Association and the carver will receive the \$500.00 prize. This carving becomes the PCCA raffle piece for next year. **Please advise your intention at registration. There is no entry fee for this category.**

### Category 2 Jim Richardson Antique Decoy Purchase Award

This purchase award offers \$600.00 for a **bluebill drake** in the style of **Orel Leboeuf from Quebec.** Carvings will be judged according to Prairie Canada’s Division B guidelines, except decoys will be floated but **do not have to self-right.** *The carving is to be entered as a newly painted decoy “just off the workbench”, and must not be “antiqued”.* Winner will receive the \$600.00 prize and the carving becomes the property of Mr. Richardson. The entry fee for this category is \$20.00.

### Category 3 Richard Whittom Purchase Award

This purchase award offers \$200.00 for the best life-size **duck head carving.** The winner will receive the \$200.00 prize and the carving becomes the property of Mr. Whittom. Entries must be the head and neck portion only of the duck and displayed on a suitable stand. The carver may choose to follow any of the guidelines of Divisions A, B, C, or D. The entry fee for this category is \$15.00.

#### Category 4 **Carrie Braden Purchase Award**

This purchase award offers \$100.00 for the **best life-size bird feather**. The winner will receive the \$100.00 prize and the carving becomes the property of Ms Braden. Entries must be a feather from a North American bird, any species. The feather may be displayed in any way the carver chooses, let your imagination be your guide. The entry fee for this category is \$15.00.

#### Category 5 **LakeFish Net & Twine Fish Purchase Award**

This purchase award offers \$600.00 for the best **Northern Pike** carving. The winner will receive the \$600.00 prize and the carving becomes the property of LakeFish. Carvings will be judged according to Prairie Canada's Division Y guidelines. The fish must be a length of between 20 and 26 inches. The entry fee for this category is \$20.00.

#### Category 6 **Winnipeg Building & Decorating Fish Purchase Award.**

This purchase award offers \$500.00 for the best realistic **Walleye** carving. The winner will receive the \$500.00 prize and the winning carving becomes the property of Winnipeg Building and Decorating. Carvings will be judged according to Prairie Canada's Division Y guidelines. The fish must be a length of between 14 and 18 inches. The entry fee for this category is \$20.00.

#### Category 7 **Schramke Dental Corp. Purchase Award.**

This purchase award offers \$600.00 for the best **Red Headed Woodpecker** carving. The winner will receive the \$600.00 prize and the winning carving becomes the property of Schramke Dental Corp.. Carvings will be judged according to Prairie Canada's Division E guidelines. The woodpecker must be life-size, and presented as a wall mount, with a means to be ready for hanging. The entry fee for this category is \$20.00

## **SPECIAL CATEGORIES**

### **Division P Exhibition Category**

- Category 1 Woodturnings & carved vessels**
- Category 2 Ornaments**
- Category 3 Creative Sculpture (interpretive/stylistic)**
- Category 4 Habitat**

Prairie Canada Carvers' Association assesses the changing styles within the carving community. This Category will be the venue to assess the level of interest in different styles and artistic approaches. If an Exhibition Category proves to be popular it will be considered for inclusion in the regular judging Categories. Exhibition categories will be judged with only 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons being awarded. We appreciate comments regarding Exhibition Categories and any recommendations for future Categories.

- Category 1 is for woodturnings and carved vessels. This exhibition category is meant to first display the art of turning wood on the lathe. Items produced by the artists may be utilitarian such as nut bowls or vases, or may be artistic, incorporating laminated woods of different colours, exotic species, intricate patterns or cutouts. Secondly, bowls and other vessels may be carved by the artist using traditional gouges and other tools, or hollowed or shaped using power carving tools. Embellishments are often included in either type of vessel.
- Category 2 is for ornaments that may be used as holiday decorations. Examples might include turned or carved wooden balls, miniature carvings, carved found wood, animals, birds, fish, eggs, flowers, pyrography, intarsia, angels, elves, etc.
- Category 3 is for a sculpture using wood, stone, bone, antler or any combination of these. The piece must display a predominance of carving techniques. Other natural or manmade materials may be incorporated into this sculpture, such as glass, metals, etc.
- Category 4 is for habitat construction – A habitat display must be the main focus of the entry. Includes flowers, trees, grasses, fungi, etc. Incidental insects, shellfish etc. can be included.

## **Division Q Original Carvings**

Category 1	Wildfowl – Must be North American Species
Category 2	Traditional
Category 3	Miscellaneous

- A woodcarving that does not meet the requirements of any category or division may be entered and will be judged in an “Original Carving” category.

**Please note: if winning artists wish to donate their ribbons back to the show for re-use next year, please leave them at the front desk when you pick up your work on Sunday.**

## **JUST FOR SHOW, AUCTION AND SALE**

### **Division R Just for Show**

Pieces that are to be shown but not entered for competition must be registered on the “Competition Entry Form” included with this booklet. They will be registered under Division R. An entry fee applies.

### **Division S For Sale**

Non-competition carvings pieces must be registered on a “Sale of Carvings” form available at the Entries Screening Station or the ‘For Sale’ area. They will be registered under Division S for tracking purposes. An entry fee applies. The following conditions apply:

- The seller is responsible for all activities related to the sale including pricing, helping to display items on the sale table, being available in the sale area and completing the sale.
- Carvers may enter only their own work.
- Prairie Canada will supervise the sales table but will not sell any items or collect any money on behalf of the vendors.
- Carvings will only be released upon the approval of the carver.
- Any sales taxes deemed appropriate are the responsibility of the vendor to collect and submit.

### **Division T 50/50 Auction**

Non-competition pieces may be entered for the ‘50/50 Auction’ and will be auctioned off during the Sunday afternoon Cocktail Auction. These carvings must be identified at the time of registration and the following conditions apply:

- Proceeds from the auction will be split equally between the carver and Prairie Canada Carvers’ Association.
- No ‘reserve bids’ are allowed.
- Carvers may enter only their own work.
- Prairie Canada will supervise the collection of money and provide the carver with their portion.
- Carvings will only be released upon payment to Prairie Canada Carvers’ Association.

Pieces are registered on the “Carvings for Auction” form available at the Entries Screening’. They will be registered under Division T for tracking purposes. No entry fees apply. All proceeds retained by Prairie Canada Carvers’ Association will be used to provide working funds for future competitions.

### **Division U Donated Carvings for Auction** *(does not include Division M – Cocktail Carvings)*

Prairie Canada Carvers’ Association welcomes the donation of any carvings for auction during the Cocktail Auction on Sunday afternoon. All proceeds will be retained by Prairie Canada Carvers’ Association to provide working funds for future competitions.

Pieces are registered on the “Carvings for Auction” form available at the Entries Screening ‘table. They will be registered under Division U for tracking purposes and will not be judged. No entry fees apply.