

Pacific Brant Carving, Woodworking & Art Show – Awards and Sponsors 2025

BEST OF SHOW

Wildfowl Competition

Award	Skill Level	Type	Amount	Sponsor	Winning Entries
Best of Show–Wildfowl	Novice	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Ellen Charge, Ladysmith, BC</i> Magpie
Best of Show–Wildfowl	Intermediate	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Don Melnechenko, Heriot Bay, BC</i> Semi-palmated plover family
Best of Show–Wildfowl	Advanced	Cash & Rosette	\$100	MOSAIC Forest Management	<i>Mark Ross, Campbell River, BC</i> Says Phoebe
Best of Show–Wildfowl	Expert	Cash & Rosette	\$100	MOSAIC Forest Management	<i>Tom Matus, Kuna, ID</i> Mallard drake

Fish & Wildlife Competition

Best of Show–Fish & Wildlife	Novice	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Maria Luisa Restrepo de Villa, Nanaimo, BC</i> Sitting rabbit
Best of Show–Fish & Wildlife	Intermediate	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Paul Boechler, Qualicum Beach, BC</i> Black-bellied Pangolin
Best of Show–Fish & Wildlife	Advanced	Cash & Rosette	\$100	MOSAIC Forest Management	<i>Eric Bellamy, Belfair, WA</i> Dungeness Crab
Best of Show–Fish & Wildlife	Expert	Cash & Rosette	\$100	MOSAIC Forest Management	<i>Dave Johnson, Calgary, AB</i> Crocodile “Stealth mode”

Traditional Carving Competition

Best of Show–Traditional	Novice	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Trevor Mueller, Chilliwack, BC</i> Tree of life
Best of Show–Traditional	Intermediate	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Scott Brett, Duncan, BC</i> Bear (soapstone)
Best of Show–Traditional	Advanced	Cash & Rosette	\$100	MOSAIC Forest Management	<i>Steve Boechler, Qualicum Beach, BC</i> Steam punk top hat
Best of Show–Traditional	Expert	Cash & Rosette	\$100	Cowichan Carving Club	<i>Dave Johnson, Calgary, AB</i> National Geo. Mag. display “Cover Girl”

Woodworking Competition

Best of Show–Woodworking	Novice	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Sorg Construction	<i>Tom Manson, Parksville, BC</i> Vase
Best of Show–Woodworking	Intermediate	Cash & Rosette	\$75	Sorg Construction	<i>Bruce Whittington, Ladysmith, BC</i> Guitar (00 size, 12-fret)
Best of Show–Woodworking	Advanced	Cash & Rosette	\$100	Sorg Construction	<i>Brian McLaurin, Ladysmith, BC</i> Mandolin
Best of Show–Woodworking	Expert	Cash & Rosette	\$100	Sorg Construction	<i>Paul McCuish, Ladysmith, BC</i> Table

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Best Brant	All	G.C. & Rosette	\$100	The Backyard Wildbird & Nature Store	<i>Ted Smith, Nampa, ID</i> Brant miniature decoy
2 nd Best Brant	All	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd.	No entries
Best Smoothie Goldeneye	All	Cash & Rosette	\$500 P.A.	Surfside Auto	<i>Tom Matus, Kuna, ID</i> Common Goldeneye drake
Best Hunting Decoy	All	Cash & Rosette	\$300 P.A.	MIWG	<i>Eric Bellamy, Belfair, WA</i> Mallard drake
Best Antique-style– <i>Duck</i>	All	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Rob Swanton, Lantzville, BC</i> Mallard hen
Best Antique-style– <i>Goose</i>	All	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Dave Weir, Parksville, BC</i> Swan
Best Antique-style– <i>Shorebird</i>	All	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Sorg Construction	No entries
Best Endangered Species <i>Black-crowned Night Heron</i>	Novice	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd.	No entries
Best Endangered Species	Intermediate	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Carol Turner, Magnetawan, ON</i> Lifesize Black-crowned Night Heron
Best Endangered Species	Advanced	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Ken Smorang, Abbotsford, BC</i> Lifesize Black-crowned Night Heron
Best Endangered Species	Expert	Cash & Rosette	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Ted Smith, Nampa, ID</i> Miniature Black-crowned Night Heron

Cocktail Carvings

Best Cocktail–Landbirds	Open	Trophy	-	MIWG	<i>Don Melnechenko, Heriot Bay, BC</i> Quail babies
Best Cocktail–Waterbirds	Open	Trophy	-	MIWG	<i>Ted Smith, Nampa, ID</i> Red-necked Grebe
Best Cocktail–All Other Wildlife	Open	Trophy	-	MIWG	No entries

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Youth Competition and Special Awards

Award	Skill Level	Type	Amount	Sponsor	Winning Entries
Youngest Carver	Youth	Prize	-	MIWG	<i>Henry Poitras, Parsville, BC (8 years)</i> Bear (soapstone)
Best of Show–Youth	Youth	Rosette Cash & Prize	\$50+Tools	Lynn Branson, Sharon Hubbard & Flexcut Tool Co.	<i>Jesse Labonte, Parksville, BC</i> Star Guardian staff
Best of Age Group Youth <12	Youth	Cash & Prize	\$50+Tools	Lynn Branson, Sharon Hubbard & Flexcut Tool Co.	<i>Sylvia Wood, Victoria, BC</i> Fairy doors
Best of Age Group Youth 12 - 14	Youth	Cash & Prize	\$50+Tools	Lynn Branson, Sharon Hubbard & Flexcut Tool Co.	No entries
Best of Age Group Youth 15 - 18	Youth	Cash & Prize	\$50+Tools	Lynn Branson, Sharon Hubbard & Flexcut Tool Co.	<i>Jesse Labonte, Parksville, BC</i> Star Guardian staff
Carvers' Challenge – 1 st – Spoons	All	Rosette & \$75 Cash	\$75	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Margaret Beswetherick, Hornby Island, BC</i> Two balls & chain spoon
Carvers' Challenge – 2 nd – Spoons	All	Rosette & \$50 Cash	\$50	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Gord Garriock, Parksville, BC</i> Ceremonial water ladle
Carvers' Challenge – 3 rd – Spoons	All	Rosette & \$25 Cash	\$25	Oceanside Wood Carvers	<i>Annette MacDonald, Crofton, BC</i> Antique Lover's spoon
Woodworkers' Challenge – 1 st – One Board Foot	All	Rosette & \$75 Cash	\$75	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Robin Fitzgerald, Nanaimo, BC</i> Trivet
Woodworkers' Challenge – 2 nd – One Board Foot	All	Rosette & \$50 Cash	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Dan Lemire, Richmond, BC</i> Canadian flag
Woodworkers' Challenge – 3 rd – One Board Foot	All	Rosette & \$25 Cash	\$25	Osprey Electric Ltd.	<i>Chris Mannall, Nanaimo, BC</i> Tricorn conical bowl
People's Choice	All	Rosette & Cash	\$50	Sorg Construction	<i>Eric Bellamy, Belfair, WA</i> Dungeness Crab
Competitors' Choice	All	Rosette & Gift Card	\$50	Osprey Electric Ltd	<i>Eric Bellamy, Belfair, WA</i> Dungeness Crab