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Glasaugen

\$3,400

Tohickon Glass Eyes and Karl Lange Glasaugen
Collective Artists Division Winners



\$1,000

Head Quarters Taxidermy Supply
Competitors' Award



\$1,000

Carolina Fur Dressing
Competitors' Award



\$1,000

McKenzie Taxidermy Supply
Best Professional Entry



\$1,000

WASCO
Carl E. Akeley Award



\$1,000

Derma Grip
Competitors' Award



\$1,000

Research Mannikins
Judges' Choice Best of Show
TAXIDERMY



\$1,000

Research Mannikins
Judges' Choice Best of Show
FISH CARVING



\$1,000

Badger Airbrush Co.
World Fish Challenge
(\$500 IN SUPPLIES)



\$10,500



\$5,000

\$25,000

CASH AWARDS

The World Taxidermy and Fish Carving Championships®
Springfield, Illinois • May 7-11, 2013

ONLY 4 MONTHS REMAIN UNTIL THE BIG EVENT! THE 2013 WORLD Taxidermy & Fish Carving Championships® is shaping up to be one of our biggest shows ever. Registration and hotel prices are as affordable as any we have ever offered, and as the end of the year approaches, gasoline prices are headed below \$3.00 for the first time in quite a while.

Early Registrations. We urge you to register early and save with early registration discounts. Even if you are not sure of the number of entries you are bringing and you register early, we will extend the early registration price for entries paid at the show. Registering early allows us to plan better and shorten the registration lines on Tuesday and Wednesday. Also, the hotels are quickly filling so book your rooms as soon as possible.

Trade Show for Taxidermists. If you want to visit and see the largest industry trade show in the world for taxidermists, you are coming to the right place. The trade show offers 135 booths and there are only 4 left to fill. By the end of January it should be a completely sold out. There you will see everything this industry has to offer. Vendors offering the newest taxidermy forms, glass eyes, products, tools, fur dressers, tanneries, and just about every associated vendor for taxidermists will be there.

Seminars. We have a world-class line up of seminars and activities throughout the event and, of course, the most prestigious taxidermy and fish carving competition there is.

\$25,000 in Competition Prizes. Taxidermists will be competing for \$22,000 in cash awards and carvers for over \$3,000.00.

If you want to compete for the largest cash awards at the World Championships®, you should go after the Competitors' Award, where \$14,000 in cash will be awarded. You are automatically eligible if you enter four entries in either the Professional or Master Division. If you have four entries in both divisions, you must specify in which division you wish to compete for the Competitors' Award. *Please read the complete rules for this special award in our rules.*

There is a division of competition for every level of skill, and when you enter you will have the opportunity to be critiqued by the most talented and experienced taxidermists in their fields. You do not have to compete to be a part of this great show, but it sure brings on a sense of pride to tell everyone you did!

Lifetime Achievement Award. It is also our pleasure to announce that the third World Show Lifetime Achievement Award which will be presented to a former taxidermist and five-time World Champion Fish Carver Bob Berry of El Cajon, California. Bob's talents stretch to many areas of wildlife art, from pen and brush to sculpture. His contributions to both taxidermy and fish carving extend over 50 years and he is credited as being the individual who has brought up fish carving to the status it is today. We have a very entertaining program planned to honor Bob at the 2013 Awards Presentations Friday night. We have a limited seating of 500 for this dinner and award ceremony and it sells out every show. We recommend booking your banquet tickets when you register. At the World Show Awards Presentations not only are all the cash awards given out and winners of World Titles named, but special talents from our industry will entertain you along with video clips from movies and TV, all using taxidermy as a main theme.

New Division for 2013. The new Interpretive Taxidermy Division encourages you to really get your creative juices flowing. All of the info and details for competing in this new division have been added to our rules.

Some of the other special competitions that you are invited to participate in are the Live Sculpting competition, which offers a World title, and the Avian and Fish Challenges competitions. High-res photos can be downloaded and enlarged and printed from the WTC website for the selected subjects of our Challenge competition.

All of the rules and regulations for participating and being a part of these and all the other divisions are in this issue and on our World Show website at www.taxidermy.net/wtc.