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# Gourd Greetings

BETA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GOURD SOCIETY

## 60th Annual Ohio Gourd Show

Celebrate our 60th Anniversary with **FREE SHOW ADMISSION** and **PARKING** all throughout the **SHOW!!**

Friday, October 6, 2023 – Noon to 5 p.m.  
Saturday, October 7, 2023 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday, October 8, 2023 – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Delaware County Fairgrounds, Delaware, Ohio

See up to date and complete details and Showbook at [www.ohiogourdsociety.com](http://www.ohiogourdsociety.com)

### Workshops

Friday and Saturday

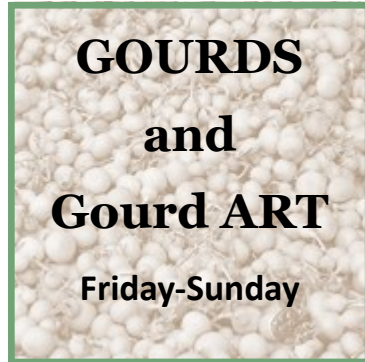
Learn from experienced gourd artists!

September 22, 2023 is the final date for advance registrations, changes or cancellations. Walk-in participants are welcome for those workshops having space remaining.



### GOURDS and Gourd ART

Friday-Sunday



### Competition

Friday and Saturday

Enter a gourd in over 150 competitive categories!!



### Demonstrations

Saturday-Sunday

Learn something new to do with gourds! Demonstrations on the hour throughout the show.



### Musical Entertainment and gourd mbira Demo

#### Zuva Marimba

Saturday 11am-2 pm

Zuva Marimba plays fun, danceable, high-energy music. The full band performs on seven marimbas, which are crafted wooden instruments played with mallets.

### Make it and Take it

Friday-Sunday

Use our gourds and supplies to **MAKE** your own gourd creation to **Take home!!**



# Society Related News

[Join](#) [Members Information](#) [Newsletter](#)

Did you know —as a benefit of your membership in the OGS—you can list your contact information on the OGS website for free? This is a great way to promote your small business - or even to simply to let folks know that you are a local source of gourds or gourd information!!



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## Members Information

[Home](#) > [Members Information](#)

Also, the OGS receives numerous requests for gourd information from people all over Ohio, so having your contact information will help us fulfill these requests. Just this past year, we've been contacted by individuals wanting to purchase gourds, needing vendors or folks to do demonstrations or to speak about gourds at their special events. We've also been contacted by a non-profit group who wanted partners to help set up a gourd farm near Cleveland. Unfortunately, many of these requests go unfulfilled, so we'd also like to maintain a list of our members who are interested in helping out with these requests.

**Contact us to add or update your listing or add your name to our list of members who are interested in helping out with requests for information: [vmustad51@gmail.com](mailto:vmustad51@gmail.com) or 740-215-3516.**

### GOURDS-N-STUFF

Judy and Nelson Litzenberg

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### GOURDWORKS

Contact: Mark Thompson

### Address

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Bernardsville New Jersey  
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Phone: 908-752-0125

Website: <http://www.knowledgeresources.info>

### Website:

<http://www.etsy.com/shop/GourdworksAndMore>

UPDATED 5 MONTHS AGO



## Blue Whale Arts

Gourd Seeds and More

- Prickly Pear Cactus Skeleton
- Gourd Lamp Beads from Turkey
- Gourd Lamps, and Lighting Supplies
- Paper Twist for coiling
- Gourd Cleaning Tools
- Quikwood
- Adirondack Alcohol Ink
- Memories Dye Ink
- Apoxie Sculpt
- Wax Linen & Imitation Sinew
- Embossing Powder
- PVC Gourd Scribe
- Razertip, Proxxon, Microlux
- Drum/Thunder Drum Supplies
- Dried Botanicals/Naturals
- Bed Springs
- Clay Tools and Molds
- Pine Needles Natural/Dyed
- Basket supplies
- Stands and Bases
- Applicators and Brushes
- Vinyl Masking & Car Decals
- Washi Paper
- Suede Tex Flocking



### Gourd Seeds

All our seeds are

- Grown in Isolation and hand pollinated
- Germination tested
- Non-GMO
- No 3rd party growers

Advertise 1/4 page print in the newsletter for \$50.00/yr

As a bonus, you will also receive an ad on the OGS website.

[www.bluewhalearts.com](http://www.bluewhalearts.com)

[info@bluewhalearts.com](mailto:info@bluewhalearts.com) 603-679-1961

Like us on Facebook and our Join Facebook group Everything Gourds  
<https://www.youtube.com/c/Bluewhaleartsdotcom>

# Volunteer Opportunities at the Show

Meet some new people and have fun!

Contact: Linda Rose

[lindarose@insight.rr.com](mailto:lindarose@insight.rr.com) or 740-965-8772

General volunteer opportunities include helping with make it and take it crafts, taking registration for classes, assisting vendors, and more! Contact Linda if you have questions or would like to sign up.

## Judges and Clerks

Contacts: John and Karen Martin

[martin.jf.kl@frontier.com](mailto:martin.jf.kl@frontier.com) or 937-446-2174

Karen and I are again reaching out for volunteers to help us judge the Ohio Gourd Show entries for 2023. We will probably need 8-10 judging teams, including Clerks to assist the teams of judges.

The Judging will begin at 11 am on Saturday, October 7. A short training meeting will take place about 15 minutes before we begin the judging process.

In the past years we have been able to complete the judging in a bit less than two hours; but actual time required will depend on the number of entries in the Show, and the number of teams we can form.

Please let me know if you are available to help so that Karen and I can begin planning the teams. If you know of others who might be able to help as a judge or clerk, please let us know that, as well.

Thank you for your consideration. You may contact Karen or me at [martin.jf.kl@frontier.com](mailto:martin.jf.kl@frontier.com) or at 937-446-2174. That number is our house phone, and if we are not able to answer please leave a message.

Karen and I look forward to seeing you this Fall!

## Demonstrations

Contact: Suzanne Rothhaar  
[birdnestfarm@centurylink.net](mailto:birdnestfarm@centurylink.net)

or

419-562-0170

We like you to present short 30 - 45 min demonstrations at our show each year. This encourages new participants in our show. By showing how to do even the simplest techniques, we increase the possibility that someone might take up this great hobby. We hope to have 1 demonstration on the hour throughout the show.

This can be as easy as cleaning a gourd, green cleaning, carving, painting, wood-burning or whatever. You do not have to be perfect, just the basics are fine. We just like variety.

Please contact Suzanne if you would be interested in doing a demonstration.

Thank you in advance!



## OHIO GOURD SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE OR PROV \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE OR POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Membership dues  
\$12.00 for 1 year; \$33.00 for 3  
years; \$55.00 for 5 years.  
PayPal option is now available  
at: [www.ohiogourdsociety.com](http://www.ohiogourdsociety.com).



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[www.facebook.com/OhioGourdShow](http://www.facebook.com/OhioGourdShow)

The Annual Dues for Membership are \$12.00. **These dues are due January 1 of each year.**  
This membership includes your subscription to our quarterly **Gourd Greetings**. Please make  
your check or money order (US \$12.00) PAYABLE TO: **OHIO GOURD SOCIETY, c/o Terri**

**Rideout, 7531 Canal Highlands Blvd, Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110, [trideout0823@gmail.com](mailto:trideout0823@gmail.com), 614-822-1074.** PayPal  
is available at [ohiogourdsociety.com](http://ohiogourdsociety.com). All OGS Members must be a member of the American Gourd Society  
[www.americangourdsociety.org](http://www.americangourdsociety.org)

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der Road, Galena, Ohio 43021; 740-215-3516, [vmustad51@gmail.com](mailto:vmustad51@gmail.com).** Membership in the OGS is \$12 per year, due each year  
the 1st of January, and includes 4 issues of the "Gourd Greetings", with articles about growing, crafting, gourd happenings, and spe-  
cial events and our Annual Show Booklet. It also entitles members to have a vote at all OGS meetings and a free listing on our OGS



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