

## **30<sup>th</sup> Annual REFLECTIONS OF NATURE ART SHOW & SALE**

Hosted by The Saskatchewan Wildlife Art Association

October 21 – 23, 2022

Prairieland Park, Hall E

Saskatoon, SK

The Reflections of Nature Art Show features over 200 carvers, sculptors, painters and photographers of all ages and skill levels who express their love of nature through art. Artists can compete or just display. Opportunities are provided to sell their work. They can attend workshops and participate in events. Although these artists are primarily from Saskatchewan there are some artists from other provinces in Canada who choose to participate in this prestigious show. This annual show has grown since the Saskatchewan Wildlife Art Association hosted the first show 30 years ago in 1990.

Unlike many art shows, Reflections provides opportunities for artists of all ages and skill levels. We only ask that their work be suitable for public display and reflect wildlife or nature. Critiques available from the judges can be very beneficial and can help them improve their work by seeing it through someone else's eyes.

Recently we have been actively inviting aboriginal artists and have created competitions for "Traditional Native Art". We offer a variety of workshops and have found a sponsor to pay tuition for newcomers and disadvantaged artists (with economic or health related issues). Another sponsor pays tuition for youth to participate in carving workshops. We hope that skills learned here can be carried with them throughout their lives - perhaps even as a career path or as an extra income stream. Competitions are divided into Youth (up to 18 years), Novice, Intermediate and Open levels.

The show offers a great platform for artists to network and gain inspiration from others. The creation of art provides feelings of self-fulfillment and accomplishment leading to a sense of well-being which improves overall health. In short, it can make you feel good about yourself. The art creation process can be used as a tool to temporarily escape from problems or as a platform to highlight issues important to them. Art can be a powerful tool.

An appreciation of nature and the need for the preservation of our environment is encouraged by keeping the focus on wildlife and nature. Many of the vendors at the show represent this. The Wildlife Rehabilitation Society of Saskatchewan and Living Sky Wildlife Rehabilitation along with The Saskatoon Nature Society have been frequent vendors in the past. This show is so much more than a simple art show.

## REFLECTIONS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Art registration at Reflections 2022 is Friday, October 21 from noon – 8 pm. Judging is Saturday morning. The show opens to the public on Saturday at noon until 5:00. The Gala Event (\$25/person) is that night with the doors opening at 7:15. Daily admission on Saturday or Sunday is \$10/adult (over 12 years). There are workshops and demo's for all artists and art enthusiasts. Events include quick carving, quick draw and quick burn.

Friday, October 21

Set-up and Registration from noon – 8 pm

Saturday, October 22

- Judging competitions in the morning
- Open to the public – from noon – 5 pm
- Ongoing members' photo slideshow

Saturday night Gala Opening – doors open at 7 pm

- Meet the artists
- Wine & Cheese provided
- Cash bar available
- Live entertainment
- Live & Silent Auctions
- Feature Artist Presentation
- Advance tickets only (\$25)

Sunday, October 23

- Open to the public (9 am – 4 pm)
- Art displays
- Art demos & workshops
- Ongoing photo slideshow
- Quick Draw, Quick Burn & Quick Carve (9 am – noon)
- Auction starting at 1 pm features:
  - Miniatures from Special Competitions
  - Pieces created during the Quick Draw, Quick Burn & Quick Carve events
- Awards Ceremony starting at 2 pm
  - Annual Raffle draw
  - Awards presented

For more information or to purchase tickets go to:

[www.ReflectionsArt.ca](http://www.ReflectionsArt.ca)

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