

IDAHO WOODCARVERS GUILD

July 2023

Newsletter

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Meetings and Activities

JULY MEETINGS: There will be no Guild business meetings in July as the majority of the Guild leadership will be at the Northwest Carving Academy in Ellensburg, Washington during the week that they normally take place. Weekly open carving sessions will continue to take place on Thursdays at 6 p.m. at Woodcraft and Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. at the Meridian Senior Center, except on July 4, when the Senior Center will be closed for the holiday.

Western Idaho Fair: Nate Meeks has agreed to contact the Hobby Craft superintendent to see about scheduling demonstrations. Once he has that information, club members will be invited to participate. It is a good opportunity to share our art and information on the Guild. If you would like to enter your work in the fair, you can get information and entry forms at the fair website: <https://idahofair.com/>

Guided Projects: We now have results from the survey of interest in a range of beginner and intermediate projects that the Guild will offer in the coming months at our open carving sessions at both the Senior Center and Woodcraft. We also made a wood purchase specifically for use in these projects, most of which will be offered at no cost to the membership. Several people are still working on the face stick project taught by Eric Owens and we are seeing more empty chairs from people taking summer vacations, so we may not begin offering them until the beginning of September. In the meantime, if you need a cut-out or help with something you want to work on individually, feel free to get in touch with a member of the club leadership. By the way, Larry and Alice Hostetler, who spend their summers in Valley County, have found a group of people interested in learning from them and have made arrangements to provide instruction.

IWG Website: Michael Chamberlain and Eric Owens have been working to upgrade and dress up the IWG website. Check it out at <https://idahowoodcarversguild.org/>



Black-billed Magpie - Doug Rose



Ukulele - Jim Jameson



Brook Trout
Tony Sciascia

Open Carving Opportunities

Boise

Open Carving at Woodcraft is held on Thursday evenings from 6-8 p.m. with Eric Owens in charge. Bring your own project and enjoy the fellowship. We are working on making some carving projects available for those who are new to woodcarving.

Meridian

Open Carving at the Senior Center is held on Tuesday afternoons from 12:30–3:30p.m. in the center at Kleiner Park, 1920 N Records Way, Meridian. Club leaders provide instruction for new carvers. Experienced carvers can bring their own projects. The Senior Center asks participants to make a donation when they sign in of \$2 for members, \$5 for non-members to help cover their expenses.

Nampa

OPEN CARVING OPPORTUNITY IN NAMPA WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

Classes

Eric Owens teaches classes at Woodcraft at regular intervals. Sign up at Woodcraft or contact Eric, at boiseowens@gmail.com for more information. Stay tuned for some other classes that are in the discussion stage.

Woodcarving Shows and Events

Following is information on a few coming events in our neighboring states:

July 10-14 - Northwest Carving Academy, Ellensburg, Washington. Week-long intensive instruction with some of the country's top carvers. Contact Kathy Jensen, northwestcarvingacademy@gmail.com

September 22 and 23 – Columbia Flyway Wildlife Show, Astoria, Oregon <https://www.columbiaflywaywildlifeshow.com>

September 23 and 24, 2023 -Caricature Carvers of America - "Carvin the Rockies", 10 am to 4pm Colorado Springs Shrine Club 6 South 33rd Street, Colorado Springs, CO

Media

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YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSYHBkob1WFSPgMaydZ7Yfw>

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