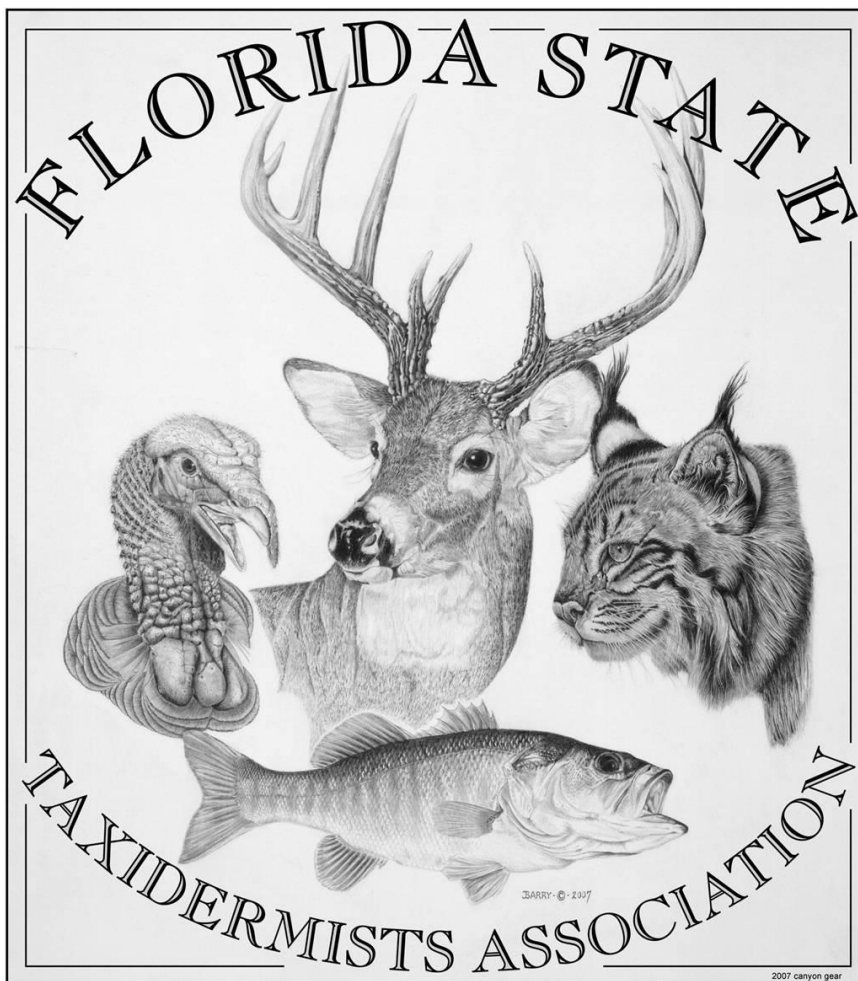


# September 2019 Newsletter



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# **FLORIDA STATE TAXIDERMIST'S ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Good Afternoon Members!

How in the world is it September already?!? We hope that everyone had a wonderful show season full of ribbons and education all over the country. We have been making big plans and moves as an Association taking the momentum from last year's show by the horns. I had many members reach out to me after last year's show and voice their opinions about the future of the Association and making our show be as good as it can be. I carefully spent hours and hours researching facilities, all of our member locations and many phone calls to come to a conclusion. I will promise you as the President of this Association that I will never make a decision based on what I want and I told many of you that on the phone the last few months. It is with great pleasure that I announce that we are moving the show to a larger location due to the demands that we had last year.

The 2020 FSTA Annual Convention and Competition will be held at the Wyndham Garden Inn Gainesville located on beautiful Bivens Arm Lake. Our Vendor Room and Banquet location overlooks the lake with the rear wall being a full lakefront view. We now have over 4500 square feet of show/vendor space and two classrooms available for seminars. We have been fortunate to have many of our talented members offer up their knowledge to give seminars and with the other classroom available, we will be adding more over the next few months to hopefully fill the schedule with double seminars. This will help our members that specialize in one type of taxidermy versus another, i.e. if you only do whitetail or waterfowl you will now have a choice of seminars to go to.

When calling the hotel, be sure to mention the FSTA Show and they will give you our rates for the block of rooms that we have set aside. We are very excited as the hotel rooms and common areas have been completely renovated in November of 2017. We are also excited to have Jack Emery and Paul Czarnecki back this year to judge again. We believe this helps our members so the judges can see how much your work has improved since the last show.

In closing, we need everyone's help to carry over the momentum from last year so invite all of your taxidermy friends!!! We wanted to ensure that we are actually in the middle of the state and the research led us here. From Pensacola to Gainesville is 343 miles and from Miami to Gainesville is 337 miles, so it is almost identically located from the furthest cities in the state. We look forward to seeing you at the show and please let any of the Board Members know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Jared Wade Mallard  
President - FSTA

# Notes from the Board

## Key Points from the Most Recent BOD Meeting

### **PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE – ANY BASS SPECIES (LARGEMOUTH, SMALLMOUTH, STRIPED, WHITE, PEACOCK, RED, ETC.)**

We have researched and asked (because we were asked) and we have decided with a majority FSTA member and BOD vote to move the show to a larger location. We will have more room for our vendors and the show room as both were filled last year. The location chosen is much larger and will fit our financial needs without committing to a very large financial burden on the Association. The location from last year in Lakeland and the new location in Gainesville are only 93 miles apart. We have taxidermists that reside in the panhandle and south Florida and Gainesville is the geographical center between the two furthest large cities, Pensacola and Miami. We were able to more than double the space of the meeting with spending kept within 20% of the previous year. The new location is:

*Wyndham Garden Gainesville  
2900 SW 13<sup>th</sup> Street  
Gainesville, FL, 32608  
352-377-4000*

**VENDORS!** We have realized that our show does not function without our vendors and suppliers. We have voted as a Board that we will ask for donations from our vendors and suppliers but will not require a vendor fee to help bring in more vendors.

**SEMINARS!** We were able to get another classroom at the new show location and we realize that all taxidermists do not perform all aspects of taxidermy. We have already filled the schedule for the year and will add seminars throughout the remainder of the year so you will have choices this year as to what seminar that you want to attend. If you would like to give a seminar or have any ideas of a seminar, please let us know and we will place you on the schedule.

**AWARDS!** We will continue to give out ½ pot for the President's Challenge, which is a bass species this year, and will give out monetary award for the winners of each Master Best of Category. We are also adding, which we used to have in the past, Best of Category Awards for the Professional Division instead of doing just one Best of Professional Award.

## **2020 Schedule of Events**

### **Thursday, February 6th**

1:00 pm	To	Completion	Setup Backboards
3:00 pm	To	Completion	Supplier Setup
4:00 pm	To	7:00 pm	Registration – Mounts Accepted
6:00 pm	To	Completion	SEMINAR – Jesse Kelly Casting a Replica Fish

### **Friday, February 7th**

8:00 am	To	12:00 pm	Registration - Mounts Accepted
8:00 am	To	11:00 am	SEMINAR – Paul Czarnecki TBA
10:00 am	To	12:00 pm	Supply Area Open
12:00 pm	To	1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	To	5:00 pm	Registration - Mounts Accepted
1:00 pm	To	5:00 pm	Supply Area Open
1:00 pm	To	3pm	SEMINAR – Scott Staton Mounting a Rattlesnake
3:30	to	5:30	SEMINAR – Jeff Whitlock Wild Hog Taxidermy
6:00 pm	To	Completion	FSTA Member Meeting Followed By: SEMINAR – Jack Emery TBA

### **Saturday, February 8th**

7:30 am	To	9:00 am	Late Registration <b><u>(No Mounts Accepted After 9am)</u></b>
8:00 am	To	11:00 am	SEMINAR – Jared Mallard Commercial Waterfowl SEMINAR – Jesse Kelly/DC Sims Children's Class Painting Frogs, Gators and Duck Decoys
9:00 am	To	12:00 pm	Supply Area Open <b><u>/breakdown at noon</u></b>
12:00 pm	To	1:00 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm	To	2:00 pm	Voting for People's Choice Awards in Showroom
2:30 pm	To	5:30 pm	Showroom Open for Critiques Followed by Breakdown
6:30 pm	To	Completion	Banquet, Auction and Awards

### **Judges**

Paul Czarnecki	Birds and Fish
Jack Emery	Game Heads, Mammals and Deer

**FLORIDA STATE TAXIDERMISTS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**Annual Convention and Competition**

**February 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Wyndham Garden Gainesville**

**2900 SW 13<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Gainesville, FL, 32608**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses' Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Childrens' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check here if you or your spouse will volunteer to help during the convention \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Information** **Pre-Register to Save Money**

Convention Package - includes convention fees and one dinner ticket if received by January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020  
Price \$70.00 \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU A CURRENT MEMBER OF ANOTHER STATE YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**Day of show** Price:75.00. \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Night Dinner, Award Banquet and Auction**

Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ (each) \$30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ (children 12 and under are free)

**Competition Entries**

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Amateur (A) or Professional Division (P) (each)\$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Masters (M) Division (each)\$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Habitat (H) (each)\$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Commercial (C) Youth(Y) (each)\$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Martha Maxwell Award (each)\$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Challenge of the Arts (COA) (each)\$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts: \_\_\_\_\_ Presidents Challenge (includes half pot) (each) \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts \_\_\_\_\_ Father George Award (each)\$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Mounts \_\_\_\_\_ Best All Around (total 4)\$75.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Number Of Mounts \_\_\_\_\_ Collective Artists (each) \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

***TOTAL***

Please use the highlighted code above and indicate what you are bringing to competition, be sure to indicate whether it is a wall, table or floor mount. If your mount will take up more than a 2' X 2' space please let us know that as well..

***\*I agree all mounts entered have been completed by me or my studio and failure to comply with FSTA competition rules will result in my disqualification for ribbon points.\****

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed registration forms to:

**FSTA, Inc.**

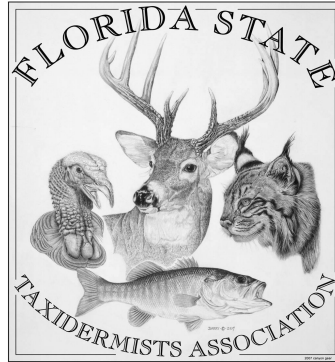
**Attn: Charlotte Lord**

**3955 SE 55 A highway**

**Old Town Florida 32680**

# Florida State Taxidermists Association, Inc. Membership Application

**Preserve Your  
Profession!**



**Share taxidermy with  
friends and family!**

*Membership Status:*

- New  
 Renewal

**Annual membership: \$50.00**  
*(Membership is from Convention to Convention)*

For voting purposes dues need to be paid 30 days  
prior to the next convention.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ (EVENING) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Donations to the Florida State Taxidermists Association  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$5 \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ other

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Please make check payable to your state association.

Mail completed membership application to:  
Florida State Taxidermists Association, Inc.

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