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26th Anniversary

2015 NMTA ANNUAL CONVENTION
MAY 28 – 31, 2015
Taos, NM

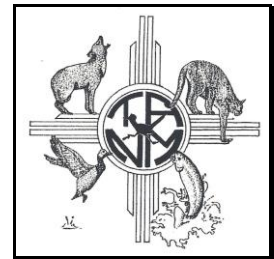
Vice President's Message

Hello NMTA,

I hope everyone had a great fall and are getting all of your pieces ready for the show. It always sneaks up every year, but hope each and every one of you can bring a piece or two. We have some unbelievable talent in this state, and I love to see all of your skills show cased each year. I have learned so much from my peers over the years and want to say thanks to each

who have mentored and helped me get to where I am today.

The show is right around the corner! The weather should be beautiful in Taos and we are all looking forward to getting together again. Please encourage your neighboring studios and friends to get their raffle tickets sold. We have about a month of good sales left. If anyone needs more, please advise, and I will arrange it.



Thanks to everyone who has worked so hard this year to make this show possible. It is a lot of work getting things ready each year, but so many work so hard, and it always comes together great!

See you soon!!

Robert Major
NMTA Vice-President
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2015 NMTA Convention Highlights...

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2015 Judges:

Jeff Mourning -
Birds, Fish, & Reptiles

Jack Emory -
Gameheads & Lifesize

2015 Challenges:

Live Seminar Challenge –
Mule Deer

Taxidermist Challenge –
Mule Deer

Best Pronghorn Challenge

NEW Awards in 2015:

Complete criteria located on
www.nmtaxidermy.org

Southwest Award

Open to native
species of
New Mexico and the
Southwest

Suppliers Award

Chosen by the group of
suppliers/vendors

2015 Suppliers:

TRUFITT
McKenzie
JETZ Taxidermy Supply
T-Basix
Sew What? Embroidery
Wild Game Transport

2015 Elections

There are several Officer's and Board of director's seats that will be due for re-election at this year's 2015 convention. If you have not yet served on the board of directors for the NMTA before and would like to, you might consider it this year. Elections to be held during the NMTA Members Meeting on Sunday, May 31st in Taos, NM.



GO TO OUR WEBSITE:

www.nmtaxidermy.org

For all 2015 NMTA

Convention Information

- Registration Form
- Raffle Info
- Competition Rules
- Schedule
- Judges Bio's

A Director's Message

Hello Fellow Members,

Our 2015-NMTA Convention is quickly approaching and we have a great line-up of vendors setting up supply booths at our show this year including Jet's Taxidermy Supply, Tru-fitt Supply, and T-Basix. The suppliers attending our convention travel a long way to get to our convention site and their participation not only helps to make our show a success, but they can save

you money \$\$ on shipping charges as well. Our raffle sales and the silent and live auction sales are the main means by which the NMTA raises the funds required to provide the awesome seminars and convention events for the members. Therefore, I want to remind members to try and solicit donation items that can be used for our silent and live auctions such as taxidermy supplies and forms, men's and ladies clothing items, jewelry, children's items, hunting and fishing items, art

work, services, etc. Nothing is too big or too small! Lastly, I want to encourage all members to attend the convention, enter your mounts, come learn from your peers and see what's new in the taxidermy industry. Bring your family and come have some fun with us in Taos, N.M. I promise you'll have a great time! Hope to see you there.

*Respectfully,
Lee Gallegos
NMTA Director*

2015 RAFFLE'S & FUNDRAISERS

NMTA Annual Raffle

\$10 ea. - Only 700 Available
- Drawing date 5/31/15
Tickets are available through current NMTA Members or contact Robert Major.

1st Prize – Remington Model 700 Cal. 270

2nd Prize – Marlin 243 w/Scope

3rd Prize – 10-22 Rugar Rifle

4th Prize – 20 Gauge Mossberg Model 500

Earn FREE Raffle Tickets

3 Free tickets to the member who sells the most raffle tickets before the convention.

BANQUET RAFFLES

50/50 Raffle - Buy tickets at the banquet - \$1 each
Winner gets ½ & the NMTA gets ½ of the funds raised.

AUCTION Items Needed Please Consider Bringing Donations!

Any & All donations are appreciated for the Saturday night NMTA fundraising live and silent auctions. Here are some Ideas of items to donate:

- Spare Forms
- Tools
- Supplies
- Reference Books
- Wildlife Arts/Crafts
- Items for Kids & Ladies are also much appreciated for the silent action

2015 Major and Special Awards

2015 Taxidermist Challenge –
Mule Deer

Best Antelope
NEW! Southwest Award
NEW! Suppliers Award
Best All-Around Judge's Choice
People's Choice
Taxidermist Choice

Polystranspar Award
NMTA Best African
Van Dykes Award
President's Award
McKenzie Best Lifesize
McKenzie Best Fish
McKenzie Best Bird
McKenzie Best Whitetail
Best Original Art
Roy Cogburn Award
WASCO Award

Best Youth
Best Amateur
Best of Category:
(Professional & Masters)
Reproduction
Reptile
Fish
Bird
Gamehead
Small Lifesize
Large Lifesize

2015 Live Competition–Mule Deer Gamehead Seminar

NMTA Members are Invited to participate in
a the Live Competition / Seminar

This year's competition is
“Mule Deer Gamehead”

RULES:

- Seminar Purpose-To provide a hands on Seminar that is educational & entertaining.
- Entry Fee: \$20 (All Entry Fees placed into the pot for the winner)
- Eligibility: Open to 2015 NMTA Registered Members Only
- Timed Event: 4 Hours (30 min Re-check will be allowed the next day before judging)
- 2015 Gamehead: Mule Deer (Buck or Doe)
- Pre-Seminar Prep: Hide prepped including ear cartilage removed, Form roughed to prevent messy foam prep at seminar, Horns Set
- Tools: Bring your own box of tools (Air Compressors optional, will have 1 available)
- Judges Criteria: Best Visual Commercial Mule Deer Mount
- Competition Winner takes all Entry Fees
- Winner will choose next year's Live Gamehead Seminar Specimen
- To be held during the Friday Night 5pm to 9pm during Social Hour
- Last Year's Seminar was a BLAST, So Come Join in on the FUN!!!

2015 NMTA Convention May 28 – 31, 2015



Host Hotel

Sagebrush Inn & Suites
1508 Paseo Del Pueblo Sur
Taos, NM 87571

1-575-758-2254

www.sagebrushinn.com

Book by April 27th and
be sure to mention the
NMTA group rates:

Courtyard Room - \$79
Historic Fireplace Room - \$89
Studio Suite - \$99
Junior Suite - \$109
Deluxe Fireplace Suite - \$129
Executive Suite - \$139

Calling for 2016 Convention Location Bids

Where in New Mexico should we go next? That will be the question being asked and voted on at this year's members meeting at the end of the 2015 Convention. If you have a Great idea for a convention location, we invite you to gather information and bids from the ideal facility, and bring it to the NMTA members meeting to be held on Sunday, May 31, in Taos, NM. When requesting a bid, keep the following things in mind.

Space & Rates needed for the following:

Room for Competition Area with ability to be closed while judging
3-4 Seminar Rooms
Supplier's Room to accommodate 4-6 suppliers
Social Hour location, Menu & Rates
Banquet location, Menu & Rates
Guest Hotel Room Rates

For more information regarding specific needs of the NMTA Convention space please contact the NMTA President, Josh Jensen or Vice President, Robert Major.

Let's Go Somewhere GREAT!!!!

2015 NMTA Convention Schedule of Events

(Subject to Change without Notice)

Thursday, May 28, 2015

- 10:00 am to 12:00 noon Set-up Display Boards and Tables-Any and all help is appreciated!!
- 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Supply room and Vendor set-up
- 12:00pm to 6:00pm Registration and set-up of mounts

Friday, May 29, 2015

- 8:00 am – 10:00 am - Registration, final setup of mounts, photos
(NO mounts will be accepted after 10:00 am)
- 10:00 am - **Judging Begins**
- 9:00 am – 5:00 pm - Supply Room Open
- 10:00 pm – 12:00 pm - Seminar: To Be Announced
- 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm - Seminar: Aoudad Mount by Rob Stockwell & Jet Smith
- 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm - **Live** Competition / Mule Deer Seminar & Social Hour &
Open Discussion with Robert Espinoza – NM Game Commissioner

Saturday, May 30, 2015

- 8:00 am – 4:00 pm - Show Room Open to the Public
- 9:00 am – 5:00 pm - Supply Room Open
- 9:30 am – 12:00 pm - Seminar: Jeff Mourning – Painting a brook trout
- 9:30 pm – 11:00 pm - Kids Seminar: Vera Jaramillo-Guaranteed to be Creative, Exciting & Fun!
- 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm - Seminar: Jack Emory – Eye and ear setting
- 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm - Family Time
- 5:30 pm – 10:00 pm - Banquet, Live Auction and Awards Presentation
Don't miss it and be sure to purchase your tickets at Registration,
Also, Please bring donations for Live and Silent Auctions!!

Sunday, May 31, 2015

- 8:00 am – 10:00 am - Show Room open to the public – Award photos
- 8:30 am – 10:00 am - NMTA Meeting: All members are invited to attend;
Raffle Ticket winners will be announced
- 10:30 am - Breakdown and releasing of mounts (Help is appreciated)

WELCOME TO THE
2015 NMTA CONVENTION
AND HAVE A GREAT SHOW !

2015 NMTA Convention Registration Form

*Membership in the NMTA is Required To Register and attend.
Use the form below for membership, registration or both.
Spouses and children (under 18) included with a registration.
(PLEASE DO NOT SEND PAYMENT – PAYMENT COLLECTED AT THE CONVENTION)*

Member's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Spouse's Name (If Attending): _____

Children's Names (under 18, if attending): _____

1. NMTA 1-YEAR MEMBERSHIP (New or Renew) \$15.00..... \$ _____

2. FULL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE
(Includes Seminars, Door Prize Drawings & 1 Competition Entry) \$25.00 each..... \$ _____

3. 1 DAY SEMINAR REGISTRATION FEE (Not eligible to compete) \$15.00 \$ _____

4. COMPETITION ENTRY FEES _____ Entries @ \$10.00 each..... \$ _____
Best All-Around Entry \$10.00 \$ _____
Collective Artist Entry \$10.00 (Each Contributor Pays) \$ _____
Children's Entries 14 years and under w/registered guardian No Charge _____ entries
Live Competition/Seminar (Mule Deer Gamehead) \$20.00 each \$ _____

5. NMTA AWARDS BANQUET...Dinner, Auction, Major Awards Presentation, Door Prizes
_____ Adults @ \$22.00 each \$ _____
_____ Children (12 and under) \$15.00 each \$ _____

6. KID'S SEMINAR _____ Children \$ N/C

7. MY CONTRIBUTION TO THE CHARLIE FLEMING EDUCATION FUND..... \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL (DO NOT SEND PAYMENT – PAYMENT COLLECTED AT THE CONVENTION) \$ _____

SPECIES	CATEGORY	DIVISION
Example: Mule Deer	Example: Game Head	Example: Professional

Registration forms accepted at the convention - Submit questions to:
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About our Association

The Purposes of the NMTA is to:

- Promote the art of Taxidermy and related fields.
- Promote the high standards in the art of taxidermy and to strive to produce high quality work.
- To foster understanding in the general public about the field of taxidermy and other related outdoor sports industries.
- To assist members of the NMTA and the general public in their understanding of the Federal and State Game and Fish Laws.
- It will be the objective of the NMTA to assist in any way possible the conservation of all our natural resources for future generations.
- To engage in such civic, charitable, educational, and business activities that the NMTA shall deem appropriate.

Become an NMTA Member - \$15/year

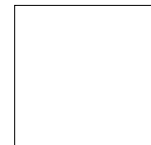
Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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